# Sri Venkateswara Temple

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Date of Week | Temple Hours
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Weekend | Mornings: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
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**IN-TEMPLE SERVICES**
- Abhisheka
- Annadanam
- Ashtothra Nama Archana
- Sahasranama Archana
- Coin Para(Narapara)
- Hanuman Vadama
- Homam - Varios
- Kalyana Uthsavam
- Kumkumarchana
- Samoohika Puja
- Swarna Pushparchana
- Vahana Pooja
- Vilaku Puja

**SPECIAL PUJA SERVICES**
- Annabhisheka
- Bhagavati Seva
- Deepalankara Seva
- Dhunrmasa Seva
- Karya Siddhi Vajravel Prathana
- 365-Wick Deepa Seva
- Thiruppavada Seva

**PRIEST SERVICES (IN TEMPLE AND AT HOME)**
- Aksharabyasam
- Homam – Ganapathi, Navaagraha, Ayushya...
- Hiranya Shraardam
- Punyahavachana & Namakarna
- Nischayathartham
- Wedding
- Grihapravesham (House Warming Ceremony)
- Sasthiabdhi Poothi
- Seemantam
- Shraardham(PAARVANA)
- Sri Satyanarayana Swamy Pooja
- Tonsure(Mundan)
- Upayanam

**VEDA PRIESTS**

### Sriraman Jagannadhacharyulu Kanduri
Chief Priest  
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Sriraman Jagannadhacharyulu Kanduri has been serving the needs of the community for over 4 decades in many leading temples both in India as well as in the USA. He is blessed to have served at Tirupati Tirumala Devasthanams (Sri Padmahvati temple, Tiruchannoor). He commands high stature among the community. He is specialized in kalyanam rituals and deity alankarams. He has conducted hundreds of rituals like Sri Sudarshana yagnam, abhisheka, aradhana and agamic practices in the temple. He has been instrumental in initiating Karyasiddhi Vajravel pooja, through which hundreds of devotees have experienced their prayers answered. His way of performing pradosha pooja has earned him a devout following. He has been pradhana abhisheka, aradhana and agamic practice much appreciated for his devotion, humbleness and conviction during the 3-day event. He is also bestowed with deeksha for conducting Devi rituals

### Shivasi Kumar Subramaniya Sivam Pichaigurukkal
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Email: kg@vedatemple.org

Sri Kumar Gurukkal hails from a family of priests commonly referred as Shivacharyas. He is very well versed with saivagama tradition and is an exponent in deity alankaram, abhisheka, aradhana and agamic practices in the temple. He has been instrumental in initiating Karyasiddhi Vajravel pooja, through which hundreds of devotees have experienced their prayers answered. His way of performing pradosha pooja has earned him a devout following. He has been pradhana acharya of various Shiva temples around the world including countries like India, Canada, France, and USA. He has performed many kumbhabhishekams according to Shivaaganam traditions. Sri Kumar Gurukkal is blessed with a rare skill of sculpting various deities – the beautiful Shanmukha vigraha at our temple stands a testimony to this divine ability. He has set a very high standard for the community. He is specialized in kalyanam rituals and deity alankarams. He has conducted hundreds of rituals like Sri Sudarshana yagnam, abhisheka, aradhana and agamic practices in the temple. He has been instrumental in initiating Karyasiddhi Vajravel pooja, through which hundreds of devotees have experienced their prayers answered. His way of performing pradosha pooja has earned him a devout following. He has been pradhana abhisheka, aradhana and agamic practice much appreciated for his devotion, humbleness and conviction during the 3-day event. He is also bestowed with deeksha for conducting Devi rituals – this was in full display when he led Chandi Homam and the divine experience during Bhagavathi Seva.

### Brahmashi Girish Sharma
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Email: gs@vedatemple.org

Pt. Girish Sharma is a highly qualified disciple of Krishna Yajurveda and is one of the most sought after scholars for Vedic recitation. He is very well versed in conducting unique rituals such as Bhagavathi Seva, Chandi Homam, Devi Saptashathi and Shaaasta Preethi. Pt. Girish Sharma is very well known vaideeka priest with over 15 years of experience in conducting household rituals ranging from namakaranam to weddings and other shodasha karma rituals. Pt. Girish Sharma stood tall amongst an august gathering of over 100 vedic ritwiks, when he orchestrated the first Maharudram conducted by our temple in July 2018. He was well appreciated for his devotion, humbleness and conviction during the 3-day event. He is also bestowed with deeksha for conducting Devi rituals – this was in full display when he led Chandi Homam and the divine experience during Bhagavathi Seva.
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**About VEDA**

Vedic Education and Development Academy (VEDA) is a public benefit non-profit charity organization. VEDA was started in August 2007 to fulfill the needs of the community, to celebrate festivals and rituals following the agamic tradition. With enthusiastic support from the community, Sri Venkateswara Temple was started in October 2009. We purchased our own facility in 2018 – while it is a significant milestone in just 10 years, we have exciting plans ahead, to make it an iconic temple with authentic rituals.

Temples have always been pivotal institutions in protecting and preserving the great values of our ancient heritage and VEDA Temple recognizes this big role and has not only been catering to the religious needs of the community but also has provided great fillip and inspiration for the continuity and development of our cultural, social and educational values in the area.

**2020 Year at a glance**

Although the pandemic has brought many things to a standstill, in less than two years after the move to our permanent location, our moola moorties have arrived, as planned. This is a milestone moment for VEDA Temple. Our Venkateswara is the largest in USA and is just short of the moola moorty at Tirumala Tirupati. Exquisitely sculpted Padmavati and Aandal along with a 5’ tall Shiva Lingam in sitting from (Square avudai) and Parvati are here as well.

We managed to serve the community while pivoting to online puja services and remote priest services. With your support, we have conducted all major events with full pomp and splendor, incorporating COVID guidelines. Upakarma, Ganesh Chaturthi, Navaratri, Deepavali (with fireworks), Rathotsavam (first time for VEDA), Ayyappa Mandala Puja and Dhanur Masa Seva are examples of the resiliency and resolve of our community. VEDA thanks the selfless service by volunteers & priests in making the events a success.

**Looking Forward to 2021**

Our goal for the new year is to have the Prathista of the deities at the earliest. While we wait for the pandemic situation to ease a little, we hope the Prathista of the deities heralds a new phase for VEDA in becoming an iconic temple in the area. Watch for exciting announcements in the coming months for the Prathista dates and associated activities.

VEDA Temple sincerely appreciates the patronage from many generous donors who have been instrumental for the growth of the temple since inception. Their donations have had profound influence in making VEDA Temple the nucleus of religious and cultural activities in the community and has etched the temple’s name in the community. Please continue to donate generously.

The current goals of the temple envision greater commitment to cater to the supportive society that has helped us grow over these years. And we require your sustained financial support to realize these goals. The temple has set up various endowments to make sure a stable and secure commitment for uninterrupted services. Making an endowment to a temple has been considered an act of religious merit. We request that you sign up for an endowment scheme that you connect with.

**Donation Information**

VEDA is a non-profit organization certified by IRS under section 501(c)(3). VEDA is eligible for matching funds from many companies including AT&T, Microsoft and Boeing. VEDA accepts:
- Cash, check, credit cards and in-kind donations.
- Exchange-traded stocks and bonds.

Donations to VEDA are deductible on your itemized tax return to the full extent allowable by law. You can donate online at [www.vedatemple.org](http://www.vedatemple.org) (then, click on Donate, no PayPal account needed to donate) - To make a financial contribution in person, please see us at the temple; you may also mail your donation to the temple address. Thank you for your support.

*WITH THE BLESSINGS OF LORD VENKATESWARA WE HOPE THAT 2021 IS A HARBINGER OF A SAFE, HEALTHY AND A PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR FOR ALL OF US.*
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- **Monday**
  - **31**
    - **Sun:** 7:37-17:07
    - **Chaturthi till Tomm 4:55**
    - **P.Phalguni till 11:48**
    - **RK:** 15:55-17:07
    - **YM:** 12:22-13:33
    - **DM:** 15:51-16:29
    - **V:** 18:35-20:06
    - **Sankatahara Chaturthi**
    - **Moonrise:** 20:50

- **Tuesday**
  - **Margazhi Moolam** is celebrated as Hanuman Jayanthi as per Tamil Saurmanu Calendar.
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- **Wednesday**
  - Tamil Month starts when Sankramana happens before sunset.
  - This calendar has Ekadashi and fasting days marked with 🌋 icon, along with breaking of fast times on next day.

- **Thursday**
  - **1**
    - **English New Year**
  - **2**
    - **Sun:** 7:58-16:27
    - **Chaturthi till Tomm 18:52**
    - **Magha till Tomm 6:27**
    - **RK:** 10:05-11:09
    - **YM:** 13:16-14:20
    - **DM:** 7:58-8:32, 8:32-9:06
    - **V:** 18:37-20:11

- **Saturday**
  - **Sankatahara Chaturthi**
  - **Moonrise:** 20:30

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Bhogi, Makara Sankranti

The event of the celestial path of the Sun entering the Makara Rashi is celebrated as Makara Sankranti. This festival signifies the beginning of the harvest season and is a thanksgiving to Lord Suryanarayana with an offering of Pongal at an auspicious Muhurtham.

The day preceding Sankranti is the last day of Dhanur Masa and is celebrated as Bhogi. Andal Kalyanam is performed on Bhogi. Register here to sponsor Andal Kalyanam: www.vedatemple.org/bhogi

VEDA conducts elaborate Ayappa seva on Makara Sankaranti. To take blessings of Lord Ayappa: www.vedatemple.org/sankaranti

Thai Poosam

Lord Subramanya received the “Vel” (lance) from His mother, Parvathi on Thai Poosam. Subramanya used the lance to vanquish the demon Surapadma. The festival is marked by Kavadi to Lord Subramanya, by carrying various offerings on one’s shoulder. The types of Kavadi typically carried are milk, rose water and flowers. It is also common to offer pots of milk, honey & tender coconut water. Celebrate with kavadi & palkudam at VEDA: www.vedatemple.org/thaipoosam.

VEDA offers Karya Siddhi Vajravel Prarthana, with Subrahmanya Trishati archana to the Vel, every Tuesday. Many devotees have had their wishes granted and problems solved with this prarthana. Register at www.vedatemple.org/vajravel.
# February 2021

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Pradosha Abhishekam & Its Origin

The evening of the thirteenth day of the moon is Pradosha when Shiva is worshipped with an abhishekam of many dravyas, during the evening hours, around sunset time.

By performing an abhishekam one cleanses himself of all impurities. The deity is nitya-shuddha, ever pure and does not require a bath. It is for the sake of the worshipper that the abhisheka is performed. This Agamic ritual is a powerful ritual to cool down and remove the sufferings of the worshipper. Pradosha abhishekam yields the four fold objectives if life – righteousness, wealth, pleasures and liberation.

As the Devas and Asuras churned the milky ocean, on an Ekadasi day, Vasuki, the serpent, out of fatigue, spit out the terrible poison, Halahala. To rescue them, Lord Shiva drank the poison and advised them to churn further. When the poison was out of their way, the Devas and Asuras resumed churning and obtained 14 gems and finally, the Amrutha (nectar) of the twentieth day of the moon, Dwadashi. Having got the nectar, ecstatically they danced and forgot to thank Shiva who had paved way for the nectar, by drinking the poison. The next day, on Trayodashi, the Devas begged Shiva for forgiveness and thanked Him. Shiva forgave them and performed Ananda Tandava in joy, between 6:00-7:00 AM.

Rudrabhisheka is performed in full fervor at VEDA, every Pradosham day. Annual sponsorships available. To participate in Pradosha Abhisheka: www.vedatemple.org/pradosham
**March 2021**

**Shaarvari**
Ayana: Uttara, Ritu: Vasanta

**Karadayan Nombu is celebrated on onset of Masi. Sankrampana happens on 14th at 5:39 AM, way before sun rises. Hindu day is from one sunrise to another sunrise, so fasting will happen on 13th, puja can be done on 13th or 14th March.

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Bhagavathi Sevai is both a “Prayaschitta” (performed for “dosha-nivritti” or for relief from several “doshas”) and “Pausthitika” (performed for any intended welfare) pooja, performed at the “Sandhya Kalam” or at twilight. A special “Padman” (the seat for Devi) is drawn by the initiated priest and with a few lit lamps, the priest, through Tantra Shastra, destroys his karmic body and reaches the subtle elements to invoke Devi in himself. The body of the priest becomes the body of Devi. He raises the Devi across all the chakras and seats Her in the Sahasrara Padman and then transfers the Devi to the Padman that he has drawn. The Devi in the Padman is worshipped with all Upachara Poojas, using a certain combination of fragrant flowers (Shipped from India), Veda Mantras, Lalitha Sahasranamam, Devi Mahatmyam and Lalita Trishathi. This pleases Devi and She showers the divine nectar from the Sahasrara Padman and this nectar is sprinkled on all the devotees. This creates a divine aura around the place and is a sight to behold. The priest then takes back the Devi into himself and lets Her melt into his body.

To request Bhagavati Seva, contact templeoffice@vedatemple.org or call us at (425)998-9132.

**Bhagavati Seva**

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**Maha Shivaratri**

Magha (Masi) Krishna Chaturdasi is celebrated as Maha Shivaratri. Abhisheka Priya, Shiva is worshipped during the four yamas of that night with the chanting of Sri Rudram using 12 abhisheka vastus -rose water, panchar-gaya, pancharrama, ghee, milk, yogurt, honey, sugarcane juice, fruit juices, tender coconut water, sandalwood paste and water. An archana with bila leaves relieves one of sins from three births and is assured of a place in Kailasha. Register at vedatemple.org/shivaratri.

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Bhagavathi Sevai is both a “Prayaschitta” (performed for “dosha-nivritti” or for relief from several “doshas”) and “Pausthitika” (performed for any intended welfare) pooja, performed at the “Sandhya Kalam” or at twilight. A special “Padman” (the seat for Devi) is drawn by the initiated priest and with a few lit lamps, the priest, through Tantra Shastra, destroys his karmic body and reaches the subtle elements to invoke Devi in himself. The body of the priest becomes the body of Devi. He raises the Devi across all the chakras and seats Her in the Sahasrara Padman and then transfers the Devi to the Padman that he has drawn. The Devi in the Padman is worshipped with all Upachara Poojas, using a certain combination of fragrant flowers (Shipped from India), Veda Mantras, Lalitha Sahasranamam, Devi Mahatmyam and Lalita Trishathi. This pleases Devi and She showers the divine nectar from the Sahasrara Padman and this nectar is sprinkled on all the devotees. This creates a divine aura around the place and is a sight to behold. The priest then takes back the Devi into himself and lets Her melt into his body.

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**Maha Shivaratri**

Magha (Masi) Krishna Chaturdasi is celebrated as Maha Shivaratri. Abhisheka Priya, Shiva is worshipped during the four yamas of that night with the chanting of Sri Rudram using 12 abhisheka vastus -rose water, panchar-gaya, pancharrama, ghee, milk, yogurt, honey, sugarcane juice, fruit juices, tender coconut water, sandalwood paste and water. An archana with bila leaves relieves one of sins from three births and is assured of a place in Kailasha. Register at vedatemple.org/shivaratri.
### Temple Hours

- **Weekends:** Mornings: 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM  
  Evenings: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM
- **Weekdays (Monday – Fridays):** Mornings: 8:30 AM to 11:00 AM  
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### Temples

- **Arpanam**  
  Evenings: 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

### Temple Hours

- **Morning Services:**  
  - Sunday: 6:01-6:44 PM  
  - Monday: 6:39-7:03 PM  
  - Tuesday: 6:37-7:00 PM  
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- **Evening Services:**  
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### Panchanga

- **Yugadi, New Year**  
  - Chaitra S  
  - June 26-29

- **Tamil New Year**  
  - Prathama  
  - June 26-29

- **Vishu**  
  - June 22-25

### Holiday

- **Diwali**  
  - October 27

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**Navaratri**

Devi is worshipped for a period of 9 days with a Kumkuma Archana of Lalitha Sahasranama, a hymn that is so special to the Devi, composed by the Vag Devis at Her behest. A special feature of this festival is the worship of Suvasinis (married women) and Kanyas (young girls from 2-10 years of age) by offering clothes and other Mangala Vastus. Suvasini and Kanya Pooja removes the ill effects of curses in the family and gives long life and peace to the performer. Register at www.vedatemple.org/navaratri today!

**Panchanga Shravanam on Yugadi & Tamil New Year**

At the beginning of the new year, it has been a time-honored tradition to listen to a priest reading the Panchanga (Almanac/Calendar). This is a glimpse of the likely events in the year, helps us to prepare for the year ahead of us. Panchanga Shravana removes the ill effects of bad dreams, confers merits of Ganga Snanam, Go-Dana, increases lifespan and begets good natured children.

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There are four days in a year which doesn’t require any muhurtha as per agama, they are: Chaatra Yugadi, Akshaya Tritiya, Viyaya Dashami, and Day after Diwali – Bali Pratipada day. Some agama also add Vasant Panchami to this list.

Narasimha Jyanty is celebrated when Shukla Chaturdashi occurs during Savanaka (5th part of the day). Agama says if combined with Svati then very good but importance should be given to Chaturdashi Tithi and Savanaka.

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Srinivasa Kalyanam

Kalyana Utsavams or the marriage ceremonies of various Gods are performed at our temple for our welfare – Yoga-Kshemam. Yoga refers to obtaining what we do not have and kshemam refers to retaining what we have. Both are within our reach if Srinivasa Utsavams are performed to the Lord.

Based on the advice by Brhaspati, Srinivasa Kalyanam was performed on Vaishakha Masa Shukla Pratipada (when Uthra Phalguni was the ruling star) on a Friday.

It is considered a divine gift to assume the role of the “kanyadatas” or parents of Lord Srinivasa and Goddess Padmavathi, the divine parents of the world and perform their marriage. This is recognized as the most auspicious service rendered to the Lord.

In the Vinanarchana Kalapam, Sage Marichi details the fruits of conducting Lord Srinivasa’s Kalyanam. Those who serve Srinivasa with Sridevi and Bhudevi during the Kalyana Utsavam will be purged of their sins instantly. Besides, their ancestors and progeny for ten generations (both maternal and paternal) will be cleansed of their sins. The women thrive with long life of their husbands. At the end they all attain the sacred world of Vishnu.

VEDA conducts Srinivasa Kalyanam every month to bring this opportunity to all devotees to sponsor and partake in the blessings of Lord Venkateswara. To register: www.vedatemple.org/kalyanam

Swarna Pushpa Archana

This is one of the signature events at VEDA Temple, where 108 golden lotuses are offered to Goddess Lakshmi. Goddess Mahalakshmi gets pleased with the lotus offering and bestows devotees with immeasurable wealth. This auspicious puja has its roots from Tirumala Tirupathi where the Swarna ashtadhala puja is performed to Lord Venkateswara. To request Swarna Pushpa Archana seva, please register at: www.vedatemple.org/swarnapusha

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### Importance of Amavasya Tarpanam

Amavasya is the day when the sun and the moon are together. A month in the Bhooloka (15 days of Shukla Paksha and Krishna Paksha) is a day in Pitru Loka. When we offer tarpanam to deceased ancestors, once a month, on Amavasya, it amounts to offering food every day to them. Offering Tarpanam on Amavasya has a special significance. A day amounts to 60 ghatikas. Our 30-day period amounts to 60 ghatikas (1 day) for the Pitrus. Hence, our day is 2 ghatikas for them (48 minutes). If Shukla Prathama (the day just after Amavasya) is the beginning of daytime for the Pitrus, the Amavasya Tarpanam had happened just 48 minutes prior to their daybreak at 5:12 am (assuming a 6 am sunrise for them), which happens to be Brahma Muhurtha for them. An offering of sesame seeds and water at such an auspicious time confers great merits for us and our progeny. Register at [www.vedatemple.org/tarpanam](http://www.vedatemple.org/tarpanam) for the whole year!

### Priest Services

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### VEDA Celebrates Navaratri

VEDA celebrates Navaratri with full fervor, with exquisite alankaras for each day. Pure silk sarees are designed specifically for VEDA deities and procured from India for this occasion. Devotees are invited to sponsor silk sarees used for alankaram - the sarees are given back, as the Vastralankara seva bahumanam, after the alankara nirnalaya, along with puja prasadam.

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### Puja Samagiri Available at Temple!

New in 2021, VEDA Temple will make all the puja samagiri available at the temple for any service devotees sign up for. We have all puja samagiri like manjal, Kumkum, dhoopam, vastram, homa kundam, ghee, samith, yagnopavita and dharba available for any service booked at VEDA. We also have convenient packages available for specific pujas and will procure needed items from India.

Please ask the priest or office manager for packages and details.

### Karya Siddhi Vajravel Prarthana

This is yet another of the signature events at VEDA Temple. This puja involves devotees writing their prarthana and offering it at the lotus feet of Lord Subrahmanya and His specially consecrated Vajra Vel; the devotees then perform Subrahmanya trishath archana for 6 weeks led by our priests and many devotees writing their prarthana and offering it at the

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nation of solar and lunar month along with the thithi and nakshatra.

Gayatri Japam

Shravana nakshatra in Shravana masa is observed as Rg Gayatri Japam while Shravana Poornima is observed as Yajur Gayatri Japam. VEDA provides Gayatri services with homam and full fervor. Register at www.vedatemple.org/gayathrijapam

Gayatri Japam is to be performed in the late morning hours. As part of Upakarma, Khandarishi Tarpanam is performed to honor 9 rishis who were Veda mantra dhrtas. Although this is called Tarpanam, it is a day to avoid a heavy dinner and a light "Paalaharam" is recommended on Upakarma. Such light meal also serves to prepare the body as “poorvanga” for the next day’s Gayatri Japam.

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Upakarma

Krishna Janmashtami

Although Janmashtami and Sri Jananthy are festivals that celebrate the birth of Krishna, they are termed differently and may occur on two different days. Krishna was born at midnight on Shravana Bahula while Sri Jayanthi is celebrated on Poornima. In Shravana, Krishna was born at midnight on Shravana Bahula while Sri Jayanthi is celebrated on Poornima. It is rare to get the same combination of solar and lunar month along with the thithi and nakshatra. When Shravana Ashtami comes in Simha month, then Janmashtami and Sri Jananthy are celebrated close to each other.

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Gayatri Japam

The day after Shravana Poornima is celebrated Gayatri Japam day. Gayatri Homam is performed by all men (who belong to Rg, Yajur & Sama Veda) who had completed the Upakarma, the day before. Those unable to perform Homam alone chant Gayatri mantra 1008 times. Gayatri Homam relieves one of the lies that has been said for a year (so says Dharma Sutram). It is advised to perform this Japam/Homam on an empty stomach. VEDA does homam every year with all samagiri specially procured from India

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**Ganesh Chaturthi is celebrated when Chaturthi prevails during Madhyahina Kala that is during 3/5th part of the day, when prevails for two days then take the first day, if it prevails on first day in one part but second day it prevails for whole part then take the second day.**

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**Service**
- **Shahishtvi**: 6:00 AM to 9:00 AM
- **Trivedashti**: 7:00 PM
- **Trayodashti**: 9:56 PM

**Any Day Consultation (10 min)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 11:11 AM to 2:11 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 3:11 PM to 6:11 PM
- **Trayodashti**: 7:11 PM to 10:11 PM

**Any Day Consultation (1 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 2:56 PM to 5:56 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 5:56 PM to 8:56 PM
- **Trayodashti**: 8:56 PM to 11:56 PM

**Any Day Consultation (2 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 8:56 PM to 11:56 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 11:56 PM to 2:56 AM
- **Trayodashti**: 2:56 AM to 5:56 AM

**Any Day Consultation (3 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 5:56 AM to 8:56 AM
- **Trivedashti**: 8:56 AM to 11:56 AM
- **Trayodashti**: 11:56 AM to 2:56 PM

**Any Day Consultation (4 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 11:56 AM to 2:56 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 2:56 PM to 5:56 PM
- **Trayodashti**: 5:56 PM to 8:56 PM

**Any Day Consultation (6 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 5:56 PM to 11:56 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 11:56 PM to 5:56 AM
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**Any Day Consultation (8 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 3:56 PM to 11:56 PM
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**Any Day Consultation (12 hr)**
- **Shahishtvi**: 3:56 AM to 3:56 PM
- **Trivedashti**: 3:56 PM to 3:56 AM
- **Trayodashti**: 3:56 AM to 3:56 AM
Mahalaya Paksha

Mahalaya Paksha is a period of 15 days when all our Pitrus (deceased ancestors) come together to our houses and accept our offering of Shraddha to them. Performing Mahalaya Shraddha assures gift of children, long, healthy and wealthy life to their lineage. Our Puranas shows that there are many merit-based possibilities of life after death. The best souls, on account of their deeds when living, attain muki (no birth), the second best go to swarga (heaven) with all comforts, stay for some time after which they take another birth.

Others reach the pitru loka, which has a series of worlds within it offering varied comforts, experiences and treatments. These differences arise due to the fact of not just commissions of bad karma but also due to omissions of good karma. Unlike those in swarga, pitrus in this loka, receive food and water only through the shraddha that their descendants perform in the earth. Our Pitrus have expectations from us and we have obligations towards them.

Mahalaya Shraddha is hence, not optional but mandatory.

A few days are considered auspicious to perform shraddha, although they can be performed on other suitable days (please consult our priests for suitable days). These are Maha Bharani (Mahalaya Shraddha on this day confers the merit of Gaya Shraddha), Madhyashtami and Gajacchaya.

Register for Mahalaya Paksha Shraddha: vedatemple.org/mahalaya

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For Durga Asthami, Ashtami tithi has to prevail for more than 2 muhurthas from sunrise, that is at least 48 minutes, if that is not happening take the first day, hence Durga asthami is on 12th, and 13th.

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Annabhishekam

Annabhishekam is offered to Shiva on Tula (Aippasi) Purnima. Annam Parabrahma Swareopam. On a Full moon night, the moon appears in full splendor and the fresh harvested rice is cooked and offered as an abhishekam to Shiva. Food that we eat is due to the extreme grace of the Lord and provides not just nourishment to the body but also promotes health mind.

A darshan of annabhishekam assures food for all beings. Each grain of rice is considered a Linga and this darshan becomes Koti Linga Darshan. Participating in the conduct of annabhishekam gives prosperity in this world and releases one from the cycles of birth and death. Sponsor and take the blessings of Lord Shiva at www.vedatemple.org/annabishekam

Shankhabhishekam & Its Origin

Chandra, the Moon God, married Daksha Prajapati’s 27 daughters (Stars) but had shown favoritism only to Rohini, which angered the others. Daksha cursed Chandra that his glow would wane. Chandra prayed to Shiva, who took pity on him and engulfed Chandra in his matted hair. Chandra poured forth his “Amritha Dhaara” on Shiva. Shiva was extremely pleased at this abhishekam of the cool waters of Chandra and promised that Chandrabhuvana will gain his glow back every 15 days. Water poured in a Shankh is supposed to be cool, like the showers of Chandra. Shaastraas vouch for the fact that such a Shankhabhishekam cools Shiva and pleases Him.

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Nirai Panu Utsavam

Purnima in the month of Puratasi is celebrated as Nirai Panu Utsavam for Shakti. Shakkambhari nourished the entire world by creating vegetation. She carries grains, vegetables and fruits and when one meditates on this form of Devi, he is assured of abundant food for his life.

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Karthikai Deepam

Karthikai Deepam is celebrated on Purnima in the month of Karthika. This day is celebrated by lighting many lamps both at home and at the temple, to enable worms, insects, birds, trees, animals and all living beings witness the radiance of the lamps and help attain moksha. Kartika Purana states that the one who lights and witnesses the lighting of lamps at the temple gets rid of the “shadripu” or the six enemies and beings witness the radiance of the lamps and help attain moksha.

Just as the wick in the oil lamps burns itself in the process of giving light, the festival serves as a reminder to us to sacrifice our interests in the welfare of others and eventually attain liberation. Of all danas, Deepa-Dana (lamp donation) in the month of Karthika is unique and removes Apaamrityubhaya or Akalamaritubhaya.

Please consider donation towards lamps at the temple: www.vedatemple.org/deepam

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Deepavali and Fireworks

Deepavali is celebrated on Krishna Paksha Chaturdashi in the Aswayuja (Alpasi) month. It is believed that Lakshmi resides in sesame oil and Ganga resides in waters of all rivers in the early morning hours (before sunrise before the moon sets) of Chathurdashi and “Abhyanga Snana” (oil bath, called “Ganga Snana”) at that time saves one from entering Yama Loka.

Our Shastras dictate us to hold the fire called “Uilha” (refers to the torch carrying fire – sparklers or fireworks) in our hands on Deepavali and on the next day, Amavasya. Pitrus who had come home during the Mahalaya Paksha, having received their food from their children are on their way to Swarga Loka and are guided in this journey by the light of the “Ulka”. This is called Ulka Danam and is supposed to be lit in the Pradosha Kala of Deepavali and Amavasya. VEDA provides fireworks on both days.

In the evening hours of Deepavali, lighting lamps in a Shiva or Vishnu temple removes the fear of naraka. Another important aspect of Deepavali (which faded away in some parts of India) is the lighting of lamps outside the houses for three days starting from the day before Deepavali, on the day of Deepavali and the next day.

Celebrate Deepavali at VEDA: www.vedatemple.org/deepavali

Skanda Shashti

The period from Asvaya Amavasya to Shashti is celebrated as Skanda Shashti. In some cases if Shashti thithi starts before the sunsets of Panchami thithi, then Skanda Shashti is celebrated on Panchami.

Subramanya takes birth as the son of Shiva and Parvathi to kill the asura Soorapadma. The battle lasts for six days and on the last day, Subramanya pierces Soorapadma with his lance. The asura turns into a mango tree. Subramanya cuts the tree into two pieces. One piece gets transformed into a peacock and becomes the vahana (vehicle) of Subramanya and the other piece becomes a cock on his flag. A visual enactment of this divine act of “Soorasmaramam”, is a signature event of VEDA Temple, forms the highlight of the 6th day.

Register at vedatemple.org/skandashashti
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**V:** Vayu  
**YM:** Yama  
**DM:** Durvasa  
**RK:** Rishabha  
**V:** Varuna

**Day Time Service**

- **Tuesday** 7:00 PM Shasthi Kavacham
- **Friday** 7:00 PM Lalitha Sahasranam Parayanam
- **Saturday** 8:00 AM Sri Venkateswara Suprabhatham
- **Saturday** 7:00 PM Sri Vishnuasahasranama Parayanam

### Priest Schedule for December 2021

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Kartika K  
Dvadashi T10:05  
Trayodasi T10:05  
Shivali T10:25  
Pradasham  
Breaking Ekadasi Fast  
7:39 AM – 10:05 AM |

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| 2. Sun | 7:39-16:16  
Chaturdashi T10:20  
Vishakha T10:00  
Kanakadha T10:00  
Krishna T10:20  
Pradasham  
Breaking Ekadasi Fast  
7:39 AM – 10:05 AM |

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| 3. Sun | 7:40-16:16  
Amavasya T10:00  
Anuraadha T10:00  
Maha Sringasini T10:00  
Pradasham  
Breaking Ekadasi Fast  
7:40 AM – 10:05 AM |

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| 4. Sun | 7:41-16:16  
Pravaham T10:00  
Yeshtha T10:00  
Maha Sringasini T10:00  
Pradasham  
Breaking Ekadasi Fast  
7:41 AM – 10:05 AM |

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Maha Sringasini T10:00  
Pradasham  
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Maha Sringasini T10:00  
Pradasham  
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Maha Sringasini T10:00  
Pradasham  
Breaking Ekadasi Fast  
7:55 AM – 10:05 AM |

### Muhurtas

- **Geetha Jayanti**
- **Dhanurmasa Begins**
- **Dhanus Sankramana 14:20**
- **Mokshada Ekadashi**
- **Bhishmaya**
- **Chaturdashi T10:20**
- **Vishakha T10:00**
- **Kanakadha T10:00**
- **Krishna T10:20**
- **Maha Sringasini T10:00**
- **Pradasham**
- **Breaking Ekadasi Fast**

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### Ayappa Mandala Pooja

Ayappa Mandala Pooja begins in the month of Karthika and continues up to Makara Sankranthi. Devotees, upon initiation, undertake a fast for a period of 48 days, as an attempt to maintain external and internal purity. On Makara Sankranthi, the devotees prepare “Trumudi Kettu” or two bags, one of which contains offerings of coconut, ghee etc. for Lord Ayappa and the other that contains personal belongings for the devotee’s sustenance during his “yatra” to Sabarimala. This bag contains his belongings represent the “Papams” or “Kettu” or two bags, one of which contains offerings of coconut, ghee etc. for Lord Ayappa and the other that contains personal belongings for the devotee’s sustenance during his “yatra” to Sabarimala. This bag contains his belongings represent the “Papams” or “Kettu”.

Register at [www.vedatemple.org/ayappa](http://www.vedatemple.org/ayappa).

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The month of Dhanurmasa is very auspicious to Vishnu. This is the last month before the onset of Uttarayana.

This month is the Usha Kala (Brahma Muhurtha) of Devas. Lord Vishnu awakens from Yoganidra on the first day of this month. Our temple rituals for the entire month, begins with the sacred Tiruppaliyezhuchi and Andal’s Tiruppavai. Worshipping Vishnu at the temple for a single day during this month yields the merits of worshipping Him with devotion for 1000 years and attain Vishnu Loka.

Lord Shiva is also worshipped at the temple with the chanting of Manikavasagar’s Tiruvempavai to invoke His blessings during the thirty days of Margazhi.

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### Dhanur Masa Seva

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Biggest misconception is “Indian Hindu festivals observance date in the Indian calendar / panchang is applicable for all location in world”. We use our favorite Panchangam from India to find an observance date for an Indian festival. Observance dates from Indian Panchangam is valid only in India and is not transferrable to other locations. Another misconception arises due to the time zones/differences as USA/Canada and Europe is behind in time then Festival will come a day later in USA/Canada and Europe. This is incorrect. If Seattle/Vancouver/California is 13 hours 30 minutes behind Indian Standard Time and say an event is happening in India at 8 AM then it will be the previous day in USA/Canada. You’ll subtract 13 hours 30 minutes from 8 AM. Which gives 6 hours 30 PM the previous day in USA/Canada.

Panchangam contains two types of calculations: Local coordinates like longitude and latitude: Sunrise, Sunset, Moonrise, and Moonset are used along with Tithi to determine festivals. Hence, sometimes festivals may appear on the same day as India or a day before in the countries west of India. The countries east of India the festival may appear on the same date as India or a day later.

Hindu day changes at the sunrise (not midnight), a Hindu day (Vaar) is from one sunrise to another. The Hindu date or tithi doesn't change at the midnight, and it is not always fixed 24 hours long or can be anything between 19 to 26 hours. Each 12 degrees distance between the Sun and the Moon is Tithi. Panchangam contains a phenomenon like the Sun travels north and south based on this set of calculations.

For example: October 17th 2008 the Ashwayuja (Ashwin) Krishna Paksha / Poornimant Kartik Krishna paksha tithi Tritiya ends at 16:39:21 Indian Standard Time, and chaturthi starts. That means at 16:39 hours there is tritiya still prevailing in India. Now on October 17th 2008 in Seattle, WA at the 16:39 hours we won't have tritiya at that time. We already have chaturthi started because Planets (of the Sun) are causing seasons, equinoxes and solstices. This astronomical phenomenon happens instantly at the same moment on the earth everywhere, and hence tritiya, nakshatra will begin and end at the same time / instance all over the world and we must convert them to our standard time. Indian panchang makers convert this ending times to Indian time. Likewise, we need to covert it to our time zone for America/Canada or other country for that matter.

How festivals are determined? The sankarthya chaturthi the chaturthi tithi must be prevailing during the moonrise. Sankarthya Chaturthi/Karwa Chauth is celebrated when Chaturthi prevails during moon rise time Moonrise in New Delhi on a given date is at 19:36 and in West Bengal, Kolkata is at 19:25 PM. Now tritiya ends at 19:32 PM IST. So Kolkata will celebrate karwa chauth/sankarthya chaturthi on the Tomm where as people in New Delhi will celebrate on the same day.

Timings in this calendar are end timings of the Tithi and Nakshatra and for Sun/Moon entering time it enters a new rashi. If the hour number is greater than 12 it means PM. When the hour number is greater than 23 then it ends on the next English date before sunrise, that means subtract 24 hours from hour to get exact time and take next English date. For example, tithi Amavasya ends at 26:36 on 19th March 2015 it means it ends at 2:36 AM on 20th March.

Uttarayana/Dakshinayana: The season occur based on earth's position around the Sun. This is due to Earth's tilt of 23.45 degrees. The Earth orbits around Sun with this tilt. When the tilt is facing the Sun, we get summer and when the tilt is away from the Sun we get winter. This tilt creates a phenomenon like the Sun travels north and south of the equator. The Uttarayana (Winter Solstice) is the Sun appearing to move north. The Dakshinayana (Summer Solstice) is the Sun appearing to move towards South. This causes seasons, equinoxes and solstices. There is a common misconception that Makara Samkranti is the Uttarayana. This is because at one point in time Sayana and Nirayana Zodac were same. Every year equinoxes slides by 50 seconds due to precision of equinoxes, giving birth to Ayanamsha and causing Makara Samkranti to slide further. If you think Makara Samkranti is uttarayana then as it is sliding it will come in June after 9000 years.

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