



Satsang Sandesh

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Religious Calendar

- 1-Mar** Mahashivaratri
Rudrabhishek
- 14-Mar** Amalaki Ekadashi
- 17-Mar** Holika
Purnima
Satyanarayana Puja
- 18-Mar** Dhuleti
- 28-Mar** Papmochani
Ekadashi
- 2-Apr** Chaitri New Year
Gudi Padvo
Ugadi
Vasanti Navratra
Aarambh
- 3-Apr** Maka Ki Chowki

Temple Hours

Saturday & Sunday

9:30AM -12:30 PM
4:30-8:30 PM

Monday to Friday

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
5:30 to 8:30 PM

Entry through
Front Door Only
(856) 768-3134

Satyanarayan Puja

Thursday, March 17th 7pm

Sunderkand Path

Canceled for March

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2078 / 2022

CALENDAR AVAILABLE ONLINE AT <https://www.indiatemple.org/>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mahashivaratri Rudrabhishek on March 1st at 9 AM and 4 PM

Chaitri Havan on April 2nd at 4 PM

Mata Ki Chowki on April 3rd at 3 PM

Details on page 3

Special Prayers

ITA has a program whereby you can have prayers performed on your behalf every year on a special day in your life by pledging \$301. Also, at your request, Shri. Bhupendra Shuklaji or Shri Sudhir Jhaji will perform a special puja on your behalf, or the regular temple puja performed on the designated day will be dedicated in your name. Below are the donors for this month.

Jashwantlal Mehta	1-Mar	Dhiraj Panda	15-Mar
Lakshmi Pillalamani	1-Mar	Rima Gandhi	15-Mar
Raj and Anita Chopra	1-Mar	Troy Hudson	17-Mar
Anisha Desai	8-Mar	Bhanumati Mehta	18-Mar
Shashi Gupta	8-Mar	Jaysukh Sheth	19-Mar
Sharad Pimplaskar	9-Mar	Dinesh Desai	20-Mar
Chandubhai Patel	11-Mar	Vinnu Shah	23-Mar
Harshad Patel	12-Mar	Aarav Shah	28-Mar
Nishtha and James Hudson	14-Mar	Hemlata G. Patel	29-Mar
Ketan Shah	14-Mar	Navin Gupta	31-Mar

PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION

See ITA Website for Virtual Daily Prayer & Aarti Times

Vishnu Sahasranamam & Lalitha Sahasranamam will be recited on 1st Friday of each month over Zoom starting at 10:30 AM. Please recite from home to receive blessings

Satya Sai Baba of Medford Bhajans 3rd Friday of each month from 7-8pm on Zoom
Contact P.K. Prabhakar (856) 596 3147/ Sessa Vemuri (856) 751-0687 for details.

Bhajan Sandhya (**In-Person**) by SJ Bhajan Mandali Group led by Venu Gopal Verma (856) 598-5038

Bhagavat Gita Study organized by Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 466-1430.

ITA Senior Social Group Currently meeting weekly at Gibson House

Contact Vinita Ganju (609) 744 8558 for additional information.

Yoga and Pranayama Classes at Berlin Mandir - **CANCELED**
Contacts: Dr. Veena Gandhi (856) 816 4095 & Hina Desai (856) 435 9148

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF NJ

March 17th, 2022 at 6:15 PM at ICC

We will celebrate Holi, and have Seniors Musical Nite for the Seniors by the Seniors. There is so much talent in this Group and to harness that energy, we are requesting newcomers to shed their shyness and come forward to sing Bollywood songs, Ghazals, Bhajans--recite Poetry, Jokes or Shayari for our esteemed Group. Please call Shri Vishwa or Smt. Surekha Gambhir at tel. no. (856) 761-2390, if you wish to participate. Light dinner will be served. Since we will be celebrating HOLI, a Gift box will be given to all the attendees (One per family).

For more info Please log on www.hinduseniors.com
Yogi Virendra K. Gupta & HSC SJ EC team members

CONDOLENCES

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Smt. Sudha Mehta, age 77, passed away on Monday, January 24th, 2022, in Santa Monica, CA. She and her husband were Cherry Hill residents and ITA Community Members for many years. She is survived by her husband Sharad Mehta and sons, Anurag and Aalok and their respective families. The ITA and its Trustees extend their sincere condolences to the Mehta family. We pray that her soul may find peace and that God gives strength to her family and friends to cope with this unexpected loss.

TEMPLE VISITATION COVID RELATED GUIDELINES

While we continue to be impacted by COVID, we ask all visitors to observe the guidelines outlined below during their visit to the Temple. The purpose of these guidelines is to ensure a safe environment for visitors and our Pujaris. We appreciate everyone's cooperation in this matter.

- Enter & exit from front door only.
- Complete the visitor questionnaire at entry.
- Wear masks which cover both nose and mouth at all times during your visit.
- Maintain proper social distancing from other visitors and pujaris.
- Please do not congregate on Temple premise.
- Please do not bring any Prasad or other offerings.
- If your visit is part of Festival or celebration which requires registration for a time slot, we ask that you please arrive and depart within your designated time slot.

MAHASHIVARATRI



ITA invites you to join in the celebration of Maha Shivaratri online or in-person at the Berlin Temple.

In-Person:

Date: Tuesday March 1, 2022

Darshan and Abhishek Timings:

-- 9 AM to 12 PM

-- 4 PM to 8 PM

* Please do not bring any offerings. Abhishek material will be provided.

** Masks are mandatory.

Online Link: <https://www.youtube.com/user/indiatemple>

For questions and additional information Contact:

Vijesh Darji: (609) 675-6141

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CHAITRI HAVAN

ITA invites you to join in the celebration of Chaitri Havan on April 2nd at 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM in-person at the Berlin Temple.

Please join us and offer "Ahuti".

MATA KI CHOWKI



ITA presents "MATA KI CHOWKI", "After Two Years Mata Rani Ka Bulawa Aaya Hai" on Sunday April 3, 2022 at ICC, 820 Routes 73 Marlton, NJ.

ITA cordially invites family and friends to celebrate Chaitra Navratri on second day of Navratri at ICC. Join us on this auspicious occasion to obtain blessings of Mata Rani and Rejuvenate self with the positive vibrations.

LIVE BHAJANS / MUSIC BY FAMOUS SINGERS FROM SOUTH JERSEY

Time: 3:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Devi Puja: 3:00 PM- 3:30 PM, Bhajans: 4:00 PM – 6:30 PM, Aarti: 7:00 PM, Bhandara: 7:30 PM

To reserve your **Spot** signup at: <https://tinyurl.com/ita-mkc2022>

To make **Donation** go to: https://www.indiatemple.org/donation_form.php

Note: All Donations/Sponsorships are welcome for Mata Ki Chowki. **Donations of \$101 and above shall be given "Mata Ki Chunri to offer"**. Please make checks payable to "ITA".

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BALVIHAR PROGRAM

Enrollment for 2021/22 OPEN

Purpose: To teach Vedic Heritage and Indian Culture to children (Pre-K to 8th Grade).
Details: Explore website for detailed curriculum by grade and general schedule.
https://www.indiatemple.org/bal_vihar.php
Format: We hope to return to in person learning for 2021/2022, however, circumstances could necessitate use of a remote format.
Timing: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM on designated Sundays
Dates: 16 Sundays starting in Sept. & Ending in May. Draft Dates on Website
Location: Marlton Middle School (150 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton, NJ)

Fees / Enrollment:
ITA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED
 Regular Enrollment: \$229

Fees are NOT REFUNDABLE for any reason.
 Space in the program is VERY limited. We encourage community members to enroll early.
 Questions? Email bvadmin@indiatemple.org or call Samir Patel at 201-657-8661.

PUJA SERVICE & TEMPLE RENTAL FEES

Shri Shuklaji /Shri Sudhirji perform religious services on request. Please contact Anoo Joshi at (855) MY-MANDIR Ext 715 to schedule a Puja Service or Rental of Temple facilities.

<u>Puja Services</u>	<u>MEMBER</u>		<u>NON-MEMBER</u>	
	Inside Temple	Outside* Temple	Inside Temple	Outside* Temple
Archana	\$11		\$11	
Vahan Pooja	\$25		\$25	
Namkaran/Annaprashan	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Birthday	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Shradha	\$51	\$101	\$101	\$151
Anniversary Celebration	\$101	\$151	\$151	\$201
Kesh Mundan	\$101	\$151	\$151	\$201
Satyanarayan Pooja	\$121	\$151	\$201	\$251
Engagement Ceremony	\$101	\$201	\$151	\$251
Havan/Graha Shanti	\$201	\$251	\$251	\$301
Vastu Pooja-Outside Only		\$251		\$301
Wedding per day	\$401	\$501	\$501	\$551
Upanayan/Yagnopavit	\$251	\$301	\$301	\$351
Uttarkriya Per day -Outside Only		\$151		\$201
Yagna/laghu rudra-Outside Only		\$351		\$401
Navchandi Yagna-Outside Only		\$651		\$701
Antim Kriya		No Charge		No Charge

*IRS defined per mile charge applied when puja requires greater than 20 miles of travel.
 In addition to their base salary, Pujaris receive 50% of Outside Puja Services payment as compensation.

<u>Facility Rental Fees</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
Prayer Hall Rental	\$201	\$251
Social Hall Rental	\$301	\$351

Send address changes or Membership renewals to:
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