



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

Hindu Temple, 25 E. Taunton Ave, Berlin, NJ 08009
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Religious Calendar

- 1-Nov Rama Ekadashi
2-Nov Dhanteras Puja
3-Nov Kali Chaudas
Narak Chaturdashi
4-Nov Diwali
Annakut
Lakshmi Puja
5-Nov Vikram Samvat
6-Nov Bhai Beej/ Yam Dwitiya
9-Nov Labh Panchami
14-Nov Tulsi Vivah
Dev-Prabodhini Ekadashi
19-Nov Dev Diwali Purnima
Guru Nanak Jyanti
Satyanarayana Puja
20-Nov Sundarkand Paath
General Body Meeting
30-Nov Utpatti Ekadashi

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

Wednesday, November 19th- 7pm

Sundarkanda Paath

Saturday, November 20th- 10am

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2077 / 2021

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

Dhanteras Puja: November 2nd @ 7pm

Kali Chaudas- Hanuman Puja: November 3rd @ 7:30pm

Diwali / Annakut: November 4th @ Timing details on page 3

New Year: November 5th @ Timing details on page 3

Tulsi Vivah: November 14th @ Timing TBD

General Body Meeting: November 20th @ 2pm

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. 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.

Lalit Patel	1-Nov	Hansi Deshbandhu	17-Nov
Dunthur Puttaswamy	2-Nov	Bimal Patel	18-Nov
Piyush Patel	2-Nov	Mahesh Dixit	18-Nov
Chandrika Patel	3-Nov	Mahesh Dixit	20-Nov
Roopali Gupta	4-Nov	Jagdishver Patel	21-Nov
Kishan Ravani	5-Nov	Nagindas & Champaben Shah	22-Nov
Arun Maheswari	9-Nov	Kusum N. Patel	24-Nov
Barbara Desai	11-Nov	Kusum N. Patel	28-Nov
Surendra Bagaria	15-Nov	Rital Patel	28-Nov

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 starting at 10:30 AM.
Please recite from home to receive blessings

Satya Sai Baba of Medford Bhajans 3rd Friday of each month from 8-9pm on Zoom
Contact P.K. Prabhakar (856) 596 3147/ Sessa Vemuri (856) 751-0687 for details.

Bhajan Sandya 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 in Laurel Acres Park

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 SNJ

November 11, 2021 at Gagan Palace

We will be celebrating Diwali with Prayers, Songs, Jokes etc. from Noon to 3 PM at Gagan Palace Restaurant (33 S. White Horse Pike, Stratford, NJ 08084). Diwali gifts will also be given to all the members. For those who could not make it will get their gifts later on.

November 30th, 2021 at ICC

Special General Body Meeting & will be held at 7 PM at ICC (Pl. assemble by 6:15 PM for prayers & light Dinner). If required, Election for President of HSC of SNJ will be conducted. Dr. Sunita Menon DMD will talk about oral care, oral health, and oral hygiene protocol, followed by a brief Q & A session. Dr. Sunita Menon graduated from Government Dental college in Bangalore India and has DMD from University of Pittsburg. She currently has a private practice in Haddon Heights and lives in Voorhees with her husband and two sons.

If you are sick, please DO NOT attend.

Masks are mandatory except while eating in both meetings.

For more info, please log on to www.hinduseniors.org. Yogi Virendra K. Gupta & HSC SJ, EC Team

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.

DIWALI & NEW YEAR EVENTS

ITA invites you & your family to celebrate Dhanteras, Kali Chaudas, Diwali and New year at the Berlin Temple. Annakut Prasad will be accepted. In order to space out visitations on Diwali, we are requiring that families sign up for a specific dharshan time slot. No sign up required for Dhanteras, Kali Chaudas, and New Year. However, masks will be required.

Dhanteras: Tuesday 11/2

In person puja at 7pm

Kali Chaudas: Wednesday 11/3

Hanuman puja at 7:30pm.

Diwali / Annakut: Thursday 11/4

Temple hours: 9am to 9pm

Govardhan Puja & Aarti 3-4pm*

Annakut Darshan: 4-9pm*

Aarti Schedule: Noon & every 30 minutes from 4-9pm

New Year: Friday 11/5

Temple hours: 6am to 8:30pm

Aarti Schedule: Every 30mins from 6am-Noon & Hourly from 4 to 8pm



[India Temple Association: Diwali Registration Link \(signupgenius.com\)](https://signupgenius.com)

*All pujas and Annakut will be broadcast on YouTube.

ITA GENERAL BODY MEETING & ANNUAL TRUSTEE ELECTION

Saturday, November 20th at 2:00 PM

We encourage all members to attend this important event. In order to maximize attendance the meeting will be conducted over Zoom. Link will be forth coming. The preliminary agenda for the meeting is below:

- ITA leadership will provide a review of the past year and priorities for the 2022.
- Trustee Candidates for 2022 to 2024 term will discuss their qualifications and planned contribution.

Candidates for 2022-2024 Term

-Anuradha Joshi

-Mihir Parekh

-Lalit Patel

-Hima Prabhakar

-Naylesh Shah

- There will be no election as there are only 5 candidates for the 7 open positions.
- General Body will be given the opportunity to ask questions.



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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:
 ATTN: VP of Information at 25 E. Taunton Ave. Berlin, NJ 08009 or email vpinfo@indiatemple.org