



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

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

- 5-Feb Jaya Ekadashi
9-Feb Purnima
19-Feb Vijaya Ekadashi
21-Feb Mahashivaratri
Rudrabhishek in temple at
9 am to 12 pm & 4 pm to 8 pm
6-Mar Amalaki Ekadashi
9-Mar Holikadahan Purnima
19-Mar Pampochani Ekadashi
29-Mar Mata ki Chowki at ICC

Temple Hours

Monday - Friday

9 am - 12:30 pm
4 pm - 8:30 pm

Saturday & Sunday

9 am to 9 pm

Aarti

12 pm and 8 pm

Times may change during
special occasions

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please try front door, ring
bell or call (856) 768-3134.*

Satyanarayan Puja

Sunday, Feb. 9 at 6pm

Sunderkand Path

Saturday, Feb. 15 at 10am

ITA NEEDS VOLUNTEERS!!!

Email communityservice@indiatemple.org if you are interested in volunteering at events.

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 2nd: ITA Children's Vasant Panchami Puja at Temple
10:30am -12:30pm

February 21st: Mahashivaratri Rudrabhishek at Temple
9 am to 12 pm & 4 pm to 8 pm

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2076 / 2020 CALENDAR AVAILABLE ONLINE

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.

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| • Sushil Bhatnagar | 3-Feb | • Neel Kadakia | 17-Feb |
| • Akshay Amin | 6-Feb | • Amrita Nandakumar | 19-Feb |
| • Narendra Amin | 6-Feb | • Ghanshyam Dave | 20-Feb |
| • Kiran Doshi | 7-Feb | • Maya & Mason Doshi | 20-Feb |
| • Naresh Talati | 7-Feb | • Gopal Patel | 23-Feb |
| • Kiran Desai | 7-Feb | • Priti Patel | 23-Feb |
| • Rushikesh Parghi | 13-Feb | • Satish & Sulochana Patel | 24-Feb |
| • Jadev Gajera | 14-Feb | • Champak Patel | 25-Feb |
| • S. Kumar | 15-Feb | • Manoj Shah | 26-Feb |
| • Vaishali & Rajubhai Patel | 16-Feb | • Samit Desai | 28-Feb |
| • Jagdish-Maya Shah | 16-Feb | • Kellan Martin | 28-Feb |

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MONTHLY PUJAS AT BERLIN TEMPLE

SUNDARKAND PAATH: Saturday, Feb. 15 @ 10am to Noon
Followed by Mahaprasad sponsored by Gagan Palace

SATYANARAYAN PUJA: Sunday, Feb. 9 @ 6 PM
Followed by Mahaprasad sponsored by Indian Vila

Anyone can sit in this Puja and receive blessings of Lord Satyanarayan.
Please contact Binduben at (856) 768-6785 if you plan to participate.



PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION @ BERLIN TEMPLE

Vishnu Sahasranamam and Lalitha Sahasranamam will be recited on 1st Friday of each month starting at 10:30 AM.
This will be followed by Aarti at Noon. Please join us to receive blessings

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

Bhajan Sandya by SJ Bhajan Mandali Group 1st Friday of each month 7:00 to 8:00 pm led by Venu Gopal Verma.

Bhagavat Gita Study each Tuesday morning at 11am organized by Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 466-1430.

ITA Senior Social Group

Meetings every Tuesday at 1pm in the Social Hall. Contact Mr. Bhulabhai Bhakta 856-983-0769 for details.

Yoga and Pranayama Classes at Berlin Mandir

Doing Yoga regularly can help you stay physically and mentally healthy. Join Dr. Veena Gandhi (856) 816 4095 & Hina Desai (856) 435 9148 every Tuesday and Thursday from 9-10:15 am for yoga. PLEASE NOTE: As both instructors will be in India, yoga classes will pause for winter break from November 15th to March 1st.

Condolences

Smt. Kanchanben Jivanlal Shah, age 96, passed away in Atlanta on Wednesday January 1, 2020. She was mother of our founding member and long time Cherryhill resident Mahendrabhai Shah. Kanchan Ben is survived by five daughters and three sons and grand children. ITA and it's board extend their sincere condolences to Shah family.

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF NJ

We will have one meeting on February 20, 2020 at ICC at 6.30 PM. Dr. Laxmi Bhandari, MBA, Ph. D will be discussing 1)What is going on in the Stock Market and with the interest rates; 2) Information for filing 2019 income tax returns; and 3) Using Internet safely for financial transactions. This will follow with the Q &A session. Dr. Bhandari is the founder and President of LC Bhandari & Co. He taught at the Univ. of Alberta, Canada and worked for Chemical Bank, Banque Paribas and Warburg Pincus. For the last 20 years, Dr. Bhandari has been giving investment advice to the institutions. Snacks will be provided, courtesy of Dr. Kavita Gupta Shah and Roopali Gupta Hall--daughters of Drs. Ramesh and Asha Gupta.—Virendra Gupta, President

AARP Foundation Free Tax Aide: Camden District Site Schedule (Feb 3 to April 15th)

<u>Monday (closed 2/17)</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
Haddon Heights 11-2	Bellmawr 11-2	Pennsauken 11-2	Pennsauken 11-2	Blackwood 10-1
Winslow 10-1	Cherry Hill 10-2	Winslow 10-1	Runnemede 11-2	Collingswood 12-4
Ferry Ave 10:30-1:30	Voorhees 11-2		Voorhees 11-2	Cherry Hill 10-2 (closed 4/10)
	Westmont 12-4			

2020 Select Site Addresses

Bellmawr	Public Library	35 E. Browning Road	931-1400	Cherry Hill	Muni. Building	820 Mercer St. Room 208	488-7868
Collingswood	Public Library	771 Haddon Ave	858-0649	Haddon Heights	Public Library	608 Station Ave	547-7132
Pennsauken	Public Library	5605 Crescent Blvd	665-5959	Voorhees	Public Library	203 Laurel Road	772-1636
Westmont	Public Library	15 MacArthur Blvd	854-2752	Winslow	Public Library	35 Coopers Folly Road	753-2537

For Question or Help Call Kiran Doshi 856-424-8046

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MAHASHIVARATRI

We invite you to join us in the celebration of Maha Shivaratri at the Berlin Temple on Friday, Feb. 21st.

Abhishek: 9 am to 12 pm & 4pm to 8pm
Open Floor Bhajans: 4pm to 6pm
Bhajans by Nitin Khanna, Venu Gopal & Team: 6pm - 8pm
Shiva dance performance by Jasmine Julka & Team.
Aarati & Farali Prasad: 8pm

Ice Deity available for Darshan from 3:00 pm onwards

If you are interested in sponsoring Prasad, Flowers, Garlands, Ice Deity and decorations, volunteering, please contact a Shivratri Team member below. Groups are welcome to prepare and/or sponsor Farali Prasad



For Additional Details Please Contact:

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2019 Top Donors

\$10,000+

Surendra & Sheela Bagaria

\$5000-\$9999

Akshay Amin

Anonymous

\$2500 - \$4999

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Samir & Urvashee Patel

\$1000-\$2499

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Senior Social Group

Ranjit K & Sephakli Das

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Suresh & Bhavna Thosani

Pankaj & Sonal Desai

Alpesh & Jeneet Patel

Subhash & Sangeeta Rashatwar

Virtua

Maganlal & Hansa Kanzaria

Asvin & Aruna Patel

Dhiru & Usha Saparia

\$500-\$999

Amish and Deepa Barot

Hindu Senior Citizen of SJ

Latish & Jyoti Menghani

Radhakrishman & Supriya Pillai

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Jaya Kothapally & Ashwin Sama

Deepak & Meeta Chaturvedi

Maneesh and Rashmi Julka

Bhavesh and Tejal Patel

Segal and Iyer Orthodontics

Gauri & Meetaben Chauhan

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Mahesh & Priyabala Patel

Jaysukh and Charu Sheth

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Send address changes or Membership renewals to:

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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.

Puja Services	MEMBER		NON-MEMBER	
	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

*\$.58/ 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.

Facility Rental Fees

	Member	Non-Member
Prayer Hall Rental	\$201	\$251
Social Hall Rental	\$301	\$351