

# Satsang Sandesh

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**MAY 2011** 

#### Religious Calendar

**May 5, Thursday** Shri Parshuram Jayanti

**May 6, Friday** Akha Trij

May 7, Saturday

Shri Vallabh Jayanti Celebration in temple

May 8, Sunday

Shri Shankaracharya Jayanti Shri Ramanujacharya Jayanti

May 13, Friday Mohini Ekadashi

May 17, Tuesday Shri Buddha Jayanti/Purnima

May 28, Saturday Apara Ekadashi

#### **Monthly Activities**

May 6, Friday, 8-9 pm Vishnu Sahasranama Parayanam

#### **Monthly Bhajans**

May 13, Friday, 8-9 pm Pushti Mandal of Voorhees Contacts:

Dhiraj Saparia (856) 287-1415 Priti Shah (856) 467-9148

May 20, Friday, 8-9 pm Satya Sai Baba of Medford

Contacts:

P.K. Prabhakar (856) 596-3147 Sesha Vemuri (856) 751-0867

**May 27, Friday, 8-9 pm** 

Shree Ji Bhajan Group Contact:

Urmi Upadhya (856) 424-9328 Charu Sheth (856) 662-8754 Dear Community Members,

This year's Bal Vihar Annual Day was a resounding success. Thanks to all you parents, volunteers, teachers, coordinators, food team members, and children who contributed to this awesome event. I know that everyone enjoyed all the music, talent and pageantry related to our religious heritage, and ITA was heartily complimented for its support of Bal Vihar.

I would also like to recognize KD Patel and NICE for helping ITA obtain venue for Bal Vihar. I am greatly encouraged when Indian organizations partner together so we can draw on the strengths of each other, and work together and support each other to further promote our Indian culture. I hope that in the future we can create a coalition of Indian organizations all working to support activities important to us all.

Coming-up in the month of May, we have many ITA activities. One such event is India Day Festival, hosted by ITA's Seva Samiti. The festivities will begin at 11:00 a.m., Sunday, May 22nd, at Cherokee High School, Marlton, NJ. As many of you know we are raising funds in support of Japan's relief effort. So far we have raised \$8,000. Our fundraising cut-off date is May 22<sup>nd</sup>, so we hope to increase that amount significantly. Admission to India Day is free to encourage you to make a donation. Of course you can also contribute by mail.

Lastly, we have recently revised our membership guidelines as well as our fee schedule. Changes are effective June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. We ask you to visit our website <a href="www.indiatemple.org">www.indiatemple.org</a> for more details.

Sincerely, Rina Patel

### **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 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.

•	Nanu Maisuria	May 02	Sushil & Kamala Chandra	May 19
•	Narendra Amin	May 05	Sharad Pandya	May 19
•	Harendra Dave	May 05	Upendra & Rekha Shah	May 25
•	Rajubhai Patel	May 05	Mahesh Dixit	May 26
•	Shreyansi Shah	May 08	Tejash & Priti Patel	May 26
•	Sudhaben Patel	May 09	Siddhi Vasa	May 26
•	Bhal Patel	May 10	Pooja & Jayesh Khatiwala	May 27
•	Iti Bar	May 11	Naresh Talati	May 27
•	Narsinh Sanggani	May 15	Ishvar Patel	May 28
•	Natwarlal Contractor	May 16	Nishtha Patel-Hudson	May 28
•	Naresh Talati	May 16	Monil & Dipti Pandya	May 29
•	Mahendra Jaiswal	May 17	Jayanti & Kalaben Patel	May 29
•	Upendra & Rekha Shah	May 17	Jayant Pandya	May 31

#### **Condolences**

Mrs. Thangam Venkataraman, Mother of Shankar Venkataraman Iyer, 76, passed away on April 5, 2011. ITA and its Board extend their sincere condolences to the Venkataraman family.

#### **Senior Citizens' Program**

Thursday May 12, 6:30 to 9:15 pm & Thursday May 26, 6:30 to 9:15 pm

The highlights of the program are as follows:

#### 1. Osteoarthritis and its treatment

Every senior knows someone with some type of arthritis. Osteoarthritis is the most common with the classical signs of inflammation, namely,swelling, redness, warmth, pain, and some loss of function in the affected joint(s). Many people in the world suffer from this disease that leads to disabilities, hospitalizations and deaths. On May 12, Dr. Mitesh Patel MD will discuss this topic in general and knee arthritis in particular. You will hear what causes the disease, how can you prevent it, and how to manage it. More importantly, you will learn how to ease pain, improve mobility, and choose appropriate treatment. Your questions will also be answered.

#### 2. Musical Night with Chandan Modi Group

On May 26 there will be a musical program by the talented artists of our own community. Sri Chandan Modi with Mrs. Aarti Shah will sing your favorite, popular songs and this will be an enjoyable evening for all of us. Shri Chandan Modi possesses VISHARAD degree in music from Gandharva Mahavidyalaya, Ahmedabad, India.

#### 3. Excursion

A bus trip to Hindu Temple, Bridgewater, Statue of Liberty, and Swaminarayan Temple, Edisonis planned for Sunday, June 12.

For more information about the program, activities, and to join the group, please contact Suraj Bhan Singh, by phone: (856) 582-5035 or e-mail (<a href="mailto:sbsingh1@hotmail.com">sbsingh1@hotmail.com</a>) or Narsinh N. Sangani, by phone: (856) 435-2128 or e-mail (<a href="mailto:nnsangani@juno.com">nnsangani@juno.com</a>).



# **Bal-Vihar—April Update**By Divya Giyanani

Annual Day is considered by many to be a celebration of our Hindu culture, a pinnacle of the Bal-Vihar year, a defining moment of the Indian community. Bal-Vihar students, parents, and teachers come together to create this event each and every year.

Featuring all Bal-Vihar students, Annual Day 2011 took place on April 10, 2011 at Lenape High School. It was hosted by the two Masters of Ceremonies- Divya Giyanani and Rani Shah. The show started off with an invocation to Ganesh by Rina Patel, the youngest President of the India Temple Association, and her family; this was followed by Prayers and Bhajans, led by the Bal-Gopal (children under 5) and Saagar (5 and 6 year olds) students. The show also featured a series of dances, including Maurya Re, Rang De Basanti, and a Telegu Folk Dance, as well as plays including Shakti and the Swayamvara in the Ramayana. And in the middle, Bal-Vihar celebrated the spectacular graduation ceremony, led by Chetna Giyanani and Ramesh Vishwanathan. Trophies and certificates were presented to each graduate by our very esteemed Bal-Vihar Director Lata Pimplaskar.

Congratulations to the following graduating Bal-Vihar Class of 2011:

Amol Lotia Kishan Patel Pranav Patel Rahie Patel Shelja Bhatt Vipul Bhatt

The audience was also treated to speeches by all Bal-Vihar graduates, Rina Patel, and Lata Pimplaskar. Annual Day 2011 concluded with a scrumptious lunch. A special thank to all the parents, students, teachers, and volunteers who made this day a great success!

## **Update from Youth Group**

**By Sujay Desai** 

In March, we had two Youth sessions, and Sharad Uncle finally came back from India this month. He was able to be with us again on our first session on March 13<sup>th</sup>, and during that session, we did breathing techniques and practiced meditation. Afterwards, we reviewed a lot about what we learned while Sharad Uncle was gone. Then he talked to us about the universal values, or Dharma. They included Ahimsa (non-injury), Satyam (truthfulness), Asteya (not taking what isn't yours), Nigraha (self restraint), and Shaucham (purity and cleanliness), which are all duties everyone must follow. We learned about these duties at different stages of life. When qualities of life (Gunas) are not followed, they become defects, which is not good. Later, we did some chanting and then did aarti. Lunch was sponsored that day by Nilesh and Sangeeta Doshi.

During the second Youth session on March 27<sup>th</sup>, we again practiced breathing with Harish uncle, along with Mrs. Babita Kapoor, with whom we practiced meditation. We reviewed Dharma and duties according to classification. We were given a sheet that talked about all of this. While going over this sheet, we specifically talked a lot about Shudra and lethargy. Sharad Uncle then answered any questions we had on any of this material. We chanted the Atharvana Shanti Mantra and another chant related to Dharma. After doing aarti, we had lunch sponsored by Harish and Rekha Shelat. During lunch, Kevin Gandhi, a former Bal Vihar and Youth graduate, came and talked about his visits to India, and how he recommended that we should try to visit India, because that is the best way we can learn more about Indian culture.

YOUTH ANNUAL DAY, JUNE 4, 2011
11 AM—1 PM at our Berlin Mandir
Everyone is invited to this talent showcase event and enjoy the show followed by a scrumptious lunch

# Seva Samiti India Temple Association Service Group

#### ITA SEVA S<u>AMITI – APRIL 2011 REPORT</u>

Seva Samiti's **Natural Disasters** Committee held two unity prayer meetings in aid of the Japan disaster in March. The first was in the evening of Monday the 21<sup>st</sup>, commencing with a puja to Lord Shiva. Sharad Pimplaskar then led the chanting of the Shri Rudra Gayatri Mantra and the Maha Mrityunjaya Mantra as attendees lit diyas for shanti and solidarity with the Japanese people during this crisis. Subhash Rashatwar made an urgent appeal for donations for Japan, on behalf of ITA and Seva Samiti. Several members presented soulful bhajans in Gujarati, Marathi, Bengali, Hindi and Sanskrit – ending with '*Vaishnav Jan To'* by the entire audience.

The second unity prayer on Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> followed Chandan Modi's bhajan program. Abhishekam to the Shiv Lingam was performed and Urmila Gujrathi chanted the Shanti Mantra. Aarti and Prasad closed out the evening.

ITA Seva Samiti, Bal Vihar and Youth Group are collaborating on another project to raise funds for Japan. Come one, come all to the **India Day Festival** on May 22<sup>nd</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm at Cherokee High School in Marlton, NJ. There will be a 'mela' atmosphere with games, food, mehndi and entertainment. Shobna Daga is leading this project and can be reached at 856-424-3141 for further details and if you wish to volunteer. Again, this is open to all.

The **Community Services** group continues its efforts for the Refugee Resettlement Program. The family they have been helping now has both parents employed. Their three children will be home-schooled this summer to help them come up to the educational level of their American peers. We are looking for volunteers to assist - please contact Hina Desai at 856-424-1934 or Sunitha Reddy at 856-596-3215. Gita Gandhi (856-988-9140) organized an arts and crafts session for elderly residents at the Berlin Virtua Rehabilitation Center.

**Hindu American Seva Charities** (HASC) is holding its second annual Conference and Essay Competition in Washington DC on July 29-31 this year. The event opens at the White House and continues at Georgetown University Campus. Their Media contact is Dr. Ved Chaudary <a href="mailto:ved@hinduamericanseva.org">ved@hinduamericanseva.org</a> 732-881-7963. Closer to home, Sharad and Lata Pimplaskar 856-985-4785 are attending and available for any inquiries.



#### **EARLY TICKET SALE FOR NAVRATRI 2011**

This year Navratri starts on Wednesday, September 28 and ends on Wednesday, October 5, 2011. Based on Hindu year, instead of 9 days of Navratri celebration, this year, we will be celebrating only 8 days. Sharad Purnima Raas-Garba will be on Saturday, October 8, 2011.

From the past eperience, it was decided by the Navratri Committee that certain individuals having more family members or students above age 18 can take advantage of discounted tickets by purchasing them on ITA website before September 18, 2011. Ticket sale will start from July 1 and will end on September 18. The Saturday tickets for \$10.00 will be discounted to \$7.00 when you purchase them on our website www.indiatemple.org between July 1, 2011 and September 18, 2011.

In addition to above discounted tickets, many of you can also purchase season tickets that are already discounted for the frequent attendees. Season tickets of \$25/person, age 18 through 64, and \$20/person, ages 12 through 17 as well as Seniors 65 and above will also be available from any of the Committee members from July 1 through Navratri Celebration.

#### BHAJANS BY CHANDAN MODI'S STUDENTS Sunday, May 8 from 5:00 to 6:15 PM followed by Dinner

All mothers with young children are encouraged to bring their children and celebrate Mother;s Day in a most desired environment. Many of us have heard these students from ages 8 and above. Many of them also play different musical instruments.

This is the best way to create passion for Indian Devotional Music among small children. Because of Mother's Day, we also want you to have a nice feast with your family at the end of the program. ITA appreciates Chandan Modi's effort of training and exposing our kids for a continued legacy of Indian Music in America.

#### **Graduation Ceremony at Berlin Mandir**

Sunday June 5, 2011 @ 2:00 PM

It is that time of the year when students graduate and reach specific milestones in their lives. The temple plans a celebration for graduates at all levels, starting from the primary school all the way up to colleges and universities, on Sunday June 5, 2011, starting at 2:00 PM at the temple. The festivities will begin with Puja of all deities at the temple, followed by a Yagna-Havan in the parking lot. The festivities will conclude with a prize awarded to each graduate and will be followed by Aarti and Mahaprasad (dinner) by about 5:30 PM.

It is a Hindu tradition to start any celebration with Puja (worship) of God. Each graduate seeks God's blessings for health, wealth, prosperity and happiness as he/she prepares for the next challenge of life. Yagna, more commonly known as Havan on a smaller scale, is a ritual of sacrifice. The Temple has planned to erect a tent in the backyard parking area to perform this ritual to please gods (Devatas), who impart blessings to the graduates. It is said that oblations poured into fire to Agni-Devata (the lord of fire) appearses Devatas, who in return bless the seeker to a successful life.

In a spiritual sense, Yagnas/Havans are performed to enable people to make a sacrifice of all their bad thoughts and actions, as fickleness, hatred, stealing and foolish stubbornness are not considered natural traits of human beings. Yagnas/Havans are physical actions symbolic of inner human quest to get rid of these tendencies and bring about the natural human traits of right-eousness and moral/ethical behavior. Yagna is also considered to propel humans to refine their lives by worship of deities, establishing unity (oneness) with god and by helping less privileged in the community through charitable contributions.

If your family is interested in participating, please RSVP to Ramesh Viswanathan at rameshv99@gmail.com or Sangeeta Rashatwar at sangeetarashatwar@gmail.com by May 15, 2011. Suggested donation is \$51.00 per family.

ITA Seva Samiti , Bal Vihar & Youth Group
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Saturday, May 21, 2011 at 3:00 - 7:00 PM

**Dinner Included** 

Moorestown High School Auditorium 350 Bridgeboro Road, Moorestown, NJ

Tickets: \$25 (\$20 if purchased before May 8) VIP Tickets: \$90 (\$75 if purchased before May 8)

For Tickets and Information Contact:

Dr. Veena & Sharad Gandhi (856) 435-9148 Magan & Hansa Kanzaria (856) 667-4906 Pravin & Devindra Sheth (856) 840-0820 Bipin & Veena Mehta (856) 782-8290 Dr. Vijay & Ragini Gandhi (609) 463-8852 Dr. Umesh & Prabha Shukla (908) 431-9845 Gajanan & Pratibha Joshi (856) 429-2086 Harshad & Dr. Hema Mehta (856) 772-0358 Devendra & Damayanti Patel (215) 970-5170 Parimal Parikh (609) 927-3587

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#### SHRI VALLABHACHARYA (Mahaprabhuji)

(A.D 1479-1531)



Shri Mahaprabhuji, the founder of Pushtimarg, was born in the year 1479 A.D. at Champaranya village near Raipur, Madhya Pradesh. He is considered to be one of the foremost Indian philosophers who expounded the school of Shuddha-advaita. Vallabhacharya heralded a new era of Bhakti-Marga. He propagated unswerving love towards God and brought everyone into the fold, irrespective of sex, caste, or nationality.

Shri Vallabhacharya advocated Pushti Marga, the path of grace, as a way of life that can be easily practiced by an average person. His core message is that, "God takes care of you unconditionally when you commit yourself to God by following the ritual of "Brahma-Sambanth"." His teachings, compiled in "Shrodas-Grantha", convey that Bhakti is not a mean to an end, but it is an end unto itself. This, he called Premlakshana Bhakti.

Shri Vallabhcharya's commentaries on the scriptures clarify his principles. These include commentary on Brahma Sutra (Anu-Bhashya), commentary on Shrimad Bhagavata (Subodhini), and tattva Dipa Nibandha. These works are regarded as the most authentic works to seek knowledge of God.

Shri Mahaprabhuji's son Shri Vitthalnathji (also known as shri Gusaiji) embellished "Seva Bhav" by offering worship eight different times of the day to Shrinathji. Ashta Sakha's kirtans were a devotional expression for their personal experience with the Lord. During these times they witnessed the 'Lila' and sang the praises of the Lord. While the text of Shrimad Bhagvata is the ripened fruit of all scriptural knowledge, kirtans of the Ashta Sakha is the refined essence for the experience of the masses.

#### Vallabhacharya Jayanti Celebration in Berlin Mandir

Date: May 7, Saturday, 3 pm

The Hindu Temple in Berlin will celebrate Vallabh Jayanti on Saturday, May 7, 2011 from 3-6 pm. There will be a chanting of Pusti marg's Yamunasthaka, and other "PĀTHA", followed by melodious Kirtans. Mahaprasad will be served after the Aarti at 6:00 PM. The Wednesday Gita Satsang Group and friends will sponsor the event at the Temple. If you are interested in taking part in the event, or in giving Seva, please call Minu Desai (797-9444), Kirti Doshi (424-8046), or Amita Desai (751-2321).

All are invited to meet

## Pujya Shri Aniruddhlalji Goswami

Of Surat Haveli

On May 14, 2011 from 3:30 PM to 9:30 PM

Great opportunity for all Vaishnav Parivar to enjoy slide show with Vachanamrut, Q & A, one to one discussion, Kirtan, Satsang, Pushtimargiya Housie game and many more items followed by both Farali and regular Maha Prasad.

Non-Vaishnav Families are welcome as well. Contact Dhiraj Saparia at 856-287-1415

## Dr. Ram Kamaldasji's Sermons Date: May 15, Sunday to May 21, Saturday

Topic: Philosophy of Bhagwad, Highlighting Examples from Chapter 10 and 11

- Sunday, May 15, 6:30 to 8 PM
- Monday, May 16 to Friday, May 20, 7 to 8:30 PM
  - Saturday, May 21, 10 AM to 2 PM

Dr. Ram Kamaldasji, a resident of Varansi, India, is an expert speaker. He has captured the hearts of devotees all over India and many parts of the world, including but not limited to devotees in UK, Germany, Fiji, New Zealand and USA. He has written and published several books, such as Bhakti Path, Vedanta Pravah and Manas Vedanta. Having Ph. D. in Upnishads and MA in Hindi, he is an internationally known Kathakar. He was invited in 2000 for and by the United Nations Religious Conference and it is our great fortune that he has blessed our congregation and South Jersey community since then. Please do not miss this opportunity. For further information call Rakesh Kohli @ 856-751-8688 or Shri Devendra and Rachita Singh @ 856-685-4335

On Monday– Tuesday May 23-24, 2011 Time: 7:30 PM

At Berlin Mandir

Arsha Vidya Center of South Jersey presents **Pujva Swami Viditatmananda** 

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For more Information Please Call Lata or Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 985-4785

**About Swami Viditatmananda:** South Jeresy has known Swamiji for many years. He is a principal disciple of Shri Dayananda Saraswati at Arsha Vidya Gurukulam in Saylorsburg, PA. Swamiji explains Vedanta with simplicity and directness that is easy to assimilate. Having previously lived in the US, he is quite familiar with the lifestyles here. With his insight into both cultures, he reaches out to everyone with equal ease. Back home, Swamiji resides at Tatvatirtha, Adhyatma Vidya Mandir in Thalej near Ahmedabad and conducts Vedanta teaching for local as well as residential seekers. He also travels all over India giving talks on Upanishads and Bhagvad Gita.

#### **Programs for Your Spiritual Growth**

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First Sunday: 9:30 -11:30 am at our temple in Berlin

Contact: Virendra Gupta @ (856) 424-9313

#### **GITA STUDY GROUP:**

Every Tuesday & Wednesday, 8-9 pm at our Berlin temple

Contact: Sharad Pimplaskar @ (856) 985-4785

#### **BHAJANS & STUTI:**

Every Friday, 7:30-9 pm

Contact: Shree Shuklaji (856) 768-3134

#### **Regular Programs for Children and Youth**

**BAL VIHAR**: For children (ages 5-13) to promote a positive Hindu identity in the diverse U.S. culture.

2nd & 4th Sunday @ 10 am - 1pm

Contact: Lata Pimplaskar (856) 985-4785

Rina Patel (856) 313-5235 for registration and location **YOUTH PROGRAM:** A program for young adults (ages 13-18) and parents. 2nd & 4th Sunday, 10:30 am - 1 pm at

our Temple in Berlin.

Contact: Sharad Pimplaskar at (856) 985-4785; Sangeeta at

(856) 424-4211 or Sunitha at (856) 596-3215

#### **CREATIVE ART WORKSHOP**

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday @ 9:30 am at our temple in Berlin

Contact: Narendra Amin (856) 429-8761

#### PUJA SERVICE CHARGES, TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE AND OTHER CHARGES:

#### Following provides list of applicable charges and fees.

Shri Shuklaji will be available for religious services on request. Please check temple availability at <a href="www.indiatemple.org">www.indiatemple.org</a>; Scroll to the bottom of the page and click on the link "Temple Availability", then click on "CALENDAR tab" and, from drop down menu, click on "EVENT/RENTAL CALENDAR". Please contact Smt. Chetna Giyanani (856-267-5598) or Smt. Anoo Joshi (856-616-2460) for the booking of the Temple Facilities and/or scheduling of Puja Services by Shuklaji.

Please note that 50% of the listed cost of **Puja performed outside the temple** goes to Pujari in addition to his regular salary.

PUJA SERVICE **	INSIDE TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE	Following listed Fees and charges are in addition to the charges listed for Puja Services
Archana(Panchopachar)	\$11	N/A	
Vahan (Vehicle) Puja	\$21	N/A	
Namakaran/Annaprashan	\$51	\$101	
Birthday	\$51	\$101	TEMPLE FACILITIES USAGE FEE:
Shraddha	\$51	\$101	Prayer Hall: \$200
Anniversary Celebration	\$101	\$151	Social Hall: \$300
Seemant	\$101	\$151	
Kesh Mundan Puja	\$101	\$151	
Satyanarayan Puja	\$121	\$151	
Engagement Ceremony	\$101	\$201	
Havan/Grah Shanti	\$201	\$251	OTHER CHARGES
Vastu Puja - outside service only	N/A	\$251	\$51.00 for outside 25 mile radius
Wedding Grah Shanti	\$201	\$301	\$51.00 for non-member surcharge
Wedding Ceremony per day	\$351	\$351	-
Upanayan/Yagnopavita	\$251	\$301	
Antim Rites (Funeral Service)	Voluntary d	onation	
Uttar Kriya per day-outside service only	N/A	\$101	
Yagna//laghu rudra - outside service only	N/A	\$351	
Navchandi Yagna—outside service only	N/A	\$651	

NOTE: Charges and availability of other Puja Services not listed above may be discussed with Smt. Chetna Giyanani @ (856) 267-5598

#### **DIRECTION TO BERLIN TEMPLE**

#### A. From Tacony Bridge:

NJ route 73S; Drive about 12-13 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. on your right

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Route 30E to NJ route 70E to NJ route 73S, drive about 7 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. on your right

#### C. From Walt Whitman Bridge or Delaware Memorial Bridge:

I-295N to Exit 29-A for route 30E to Berlin Twp. Turn left on East TauntonAve.

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NJ turnpike south, Exit 4 for route 73S. Drive about 10-11 miles and follow sign for East Taunton Ave. on your right.



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#### **Darshan Schedule**

#### **Morning**

7:30 am - 12:30 pm

#### Evening

6 pm - 9 pm

#### **Aarti**

12 pm & 8 pm

Times may change during special occasions

Please use the front door and ring the bell if locked

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