

# Satsang Sandesh

# India Temple Association, Inc.

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**FEBRUARY 2021** 

### **Religious Calendar**

**7-Feb** Shat Tila Ekadashi

**16-Feb** Vasant Panchami, Saraswati Puja

20-Feb Sunderkand Paath

**23-Feb** Jaya Ekadashi

**27-Feb** Purnima, Satyanarayana Puja

9-Mar Vijaya Ekadashi

11-Mar Mahashivaratri

## Satyanarayan Puja February 27 Saturday 7pm

**Sunderkand Path February 20 Saturday 10am** 

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2077 / 2021 CALENDAR AVAILABLE ONLINE AT https://www.indiatemple.org/

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The risk associated with Covid-19 / Corona virus continue to increase as the prevalence of cases grow. As a result, the Temple is currently closed and we will reopen only when circumstances improve. In the meantime, we will continue to broadcast events over the internet and provide access to event recordings on ITA's YouYube channel. These actions are being taken to protect the community. Thank you for your understanding during this uncertain time. We will continue to update the community through emails.

### **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.

Sushil Bhatnagar	3-Feb	Amrita Nandakumar	19-Feb
Akshay Amin	6-Feb	<b>Ghanshyam Dave</b>	20-Feb
Narendra Amin	6-Feb	Maya & Mason Doshi	20-Feb
Kiran Doshi	7-Feb	Gopal Patel	23-Feb
Naresh Talati	7-Feb	Priti Patel	23-Feb
Kiran Desai	7-Feb	Satish & Sulochana Patel	24-Feb
Rushikesh Parghi	13-Feb	Sureshbhai 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
Neel Kadakia	17-Feb		

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# PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION See ITA Website for Daily Prayer & Aarti Times Vishnu Sahasranamam and 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/ Sesha Vemuri (856) 751 0687 for details. Bhajan Sandya by SJ Bhajan Mandali Group led by Venu Gopal Verma. Bhagavat Gita Study organized by Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 466 1430. ITA Senior Social Group Contact Vinita Ganju (609) 744 8558 to learn about online activities. Yoga and Pranayama Classes at Berlin Mandir -CANCELED

### PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSC OF NJ

### February 18th, 2021 at 7:00 PM via Zoom

We will have only one meeting in February. Mr. Raj Maruvada, MBA, will discuss tax law changes impacting 2020 from the TCJA-Tax Cuts & Jobs Act (major tax legislation) and from the new tax law, including changes to individual tax rates and deductions; review foreign financial accounts; and conclude with a Q & A session. Mr. Raj Maruvada has had his own accounting and tax practice in Voorhees, NJ since 1991. The 2-4 min. speakers are Sushila Patel & Chiman Antala. Zoom link details will be sent to you a day before the meeting. For more information please visit www.hinduseniors.org.

-Yogi Virendra K. Gupta & EC Team

### **CONDOLENCES**

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Smt. Jyotiben Shah of Voorhees, NJ passed away on Sunday, January 17th, 2021 at the age of 70 years. She is survived by her husband, Shri Pravinbhai Shah; son, Manthan; daughter-in-law, Apurvi; and granddaughter, Saaya. The ITA and its Trustees extend their sincere condolences to the Shah 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.

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Shri Gordhanbhai Dalwadi, age 90, of Voorhees, NJ passed away on Sunday, January 3rd, 2021. He is survived by his wife, Shantaben; six daughters; son, Nilang Dalwadi; 13 grandchildren; 16 great grandchildren; and their respective families. The ITA and its Trustees extend their sincere condolences to the Dalwadi Family. We pray that his soul may find peace and that God gives strength to his family and friends to cope with this unexpected loss.



### **MAHASHIVARATRI**

We invite you to join us in the celebration of Maha Shivaratri on March 11th. Additional details to follow.

### **2020 DONORS**

### \$10,000+

Surendra & Sheela Bagaria Urvashee & Samir Patel

### \$5000-\$9999

Akshay N. & D. Dritt Amin Arun & Vijaylakshmi Maheshwari Eswar Phadia Segal & Iyer Orthodontics

### \$2500 - \$4999

Rajesh & Beechoon Babani Anonymous Meghan Patel Amrendra & Hilla Singh

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### <u>Temple Hours</u> Monday - Friday

9am- 1pm; 4pm - 8:30pm Saturday & Sunday 9 am to 9 pm

Aarti

12 pm & 8 pm

Times have changed to Tuesdays & Saturdays 5:30-7:30pm only If back door is locked, please try front door, ring bell or call (856) 768-3134

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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.

	<u>MEMBER</u>		NON-MEMBER	
	Inside	Outside*	Inside	Outside*
Puja Services	Temple	Temple	Temple	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 rudrra-Outside Only		\$351		\$401
Navchandi Yagna-Outside Only		\$651		\$701
Antim Kriya	No C	Charge	No C	harge

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