



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

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

- 6-Jul Devshyani Ekadashi
Gauri Vrat Starts
- 8-Jul JayaParvati Vrat Starts
Bhaum Pradosh
- 10-Jul Guru/Vyas Purnima
Shri Satyanarayana Puja
- 11-Jul Gauri Vrat Concludes
- 12-Jul JayaParvati Vrat
Concludes
- 19-Jul Sundarkand Paath
- 21-Jul Kamika Ekadashi
- 22-Jul Bhaum Pradosh
- 24-Jul Amavas / Amavasya
- 25-Jul 1st Day of Shravan Maas
Rudrabhishek in Temple
- 28-Jul Rudrabhishek in Temple
- 29-Jul Nag Panchami
- 31-Jul Shitla Satam

Temple Hours

Saturday & Sunday

9:30AM -12:30 PM
5:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Monday to Friday

10:30 AM to 12:30 PM
5:00 to 8:00 PM

Entry through
Front Door Only
(856)768-3134

Satyanarayan Puja
Thursday, July 10th — 6 PM

Sundarkand Paath
Saturday, July 19th —10 AM

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2080 / 2024

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- For security reasons, we will be keeping the Temple's doors locked. When visiting the Temple during open hours, please dial 856-768-3134 to be admitted. Also when leaving the Temple, please make sure that the door closes completely behind you.
- For Satyanarayana Puja participants: Please provide your name to Kruti Lodhavia @ 856-577-3631 few days prior to puja for planning.

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 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.

Vinu Patel	1-Jul	Vijay & Asha Gupta	22-Jul
Krishnasankar Shastriji	11-Jul	Kiran Bhatt	24-Jul
Vinod Mehta	12-Jul	Mahesh Dixit	24-Jul
Ramesh Upadhyay	13-Jul	Amardeep Patel	24-Jul
Asha Gupta	18-Jul	Kailash Lav Iyer	27-Jul
Arun Maheswari	18-Jul	Ritam Kush Iyer	27-Jul
Pratima Parikh	19-Jul	Hariprasad K Jani	30-Jul

PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION

<https://indiatemple.org/contact.php>

Vishnu Sahasranamam & Lalitha Sahasranamam will be recited on 1st Friday of each month starting at 10:30 AM
In-Person Only

Bhagavat Gita Study organized by Sharad Pimplaskar (856) 466-1430
Every Tuesday - 10:45 AM - Weekly
Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 818 2564 6955; Passcode: 173521

Announcement: ITA Gita Study Group will start reading of Ishavasya Upanishad with Shankrara Bhashyam beginning September 10, 2024. Ishavasya Upanishad is one of the smaller Upanishads from Shukla Yajurveda and is first of the ten principal Upanishads commented on by Shri Shankaracharya. Though small it presents a complete Vedanta treatise on Self-Knowledge. Everyone interested in the study of our original scriptures is invited to join these sessions. These are weekly sessions on Zoom every Tuesday from 10:45 AM to 12:00 Noon.

ITA Senior Social Group- Currently meeting weekly
Contact Vinita Ganju (609) 744 8558 for additional information

PROGRAMS FOR SENIORS BY HSCSJ

There will be 2 meetings in the month of July at ICC.

First Meeting - Tuesday, July 8, 2025 at 6:15 PM at ICC

Topic: Back Pain: New Treatments for Old Problems:

Dr. Rastogi is a double board-certified physician in Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine who received his medical training at the University of Virginia and the University of Pennsylvania, where he also served as Chief Interventional Spine & Pain Fellow. He is widely recognized for his expertise in interventional spine and pain management and has trained over 400 physicians worldwide. As Co-Founder and CEO of North American Medical Associates, he leads a national network of specialists focused on comprehensive, compassionate care. A passionate educator and advocate, he holds leadership roles in multiple organizations, including Harvard and Cleveland Clinic fellowship programs, and serves as Chairman of the Yard Education Foundation to inspire STEM learning in youth. His commitment extends beyond medicine to addressing systemic poverty through coordinated community efforts.

Snacks will be served. Please note that we will try to accommodate Jain/Swaminarayan snacks if requested by 12pm the previous Saturday.

Second Meeting - ANNUAL PICNIC Sunday, July 27, 2025 at 10:30 AM

HSCSJ Annual Picnic will be held at Red Bank National Park, 100 Hessian Avenue, National Park, NJ 08063. 10.30am - 4pm. There is a limit of 100 people for the use of the pavilion at the Red Bank Park. Picnic registration is FULL For those who have signed up for the picnic, we will have a karaoke program so please reach out to Dr. Ashok Patel @ 609-868-0845 or any Executive Committee member if you would like to show your talent of Bollywood songs, music, jokes or games, etc.

Snacks will be served. Please note that we will try to accommodate Jain/Swaminarayan snacks with advance notice of 48 hours prior to the meeting.

For more information, please visit www.hinduseniors.org
Bharti Shah, President, HSCSJ

CONDOLENCES

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Shri Jayesh Harihar Raval, passed away on June 28, 2025. He is survived by his wife Jaimini; children Mihir, Sameer, & Neha; daughters-in-law Sonali & Gina; son-in-law Jeremy, and grandchildren Sahana, Kamran, Kiyam, Valen & Ronith.

The ITA and its Trustees extend their sincere condolences to the Raval family. We pray that his soul may find peace and that God gives strength to his family and friends to cope with this heartfelt loss.

GRADUATION YAGNA AND SCHOLARSHIP / SERVICE AWARD RECOGNITION

Sunday, July 19th, 3:30 PM—5:00 PM



India Temple Association invites graduates of the class of 2025 and their family for
Annual graduation Puja and Awards Ceremony on
Sunday, July 19th at 3:30-5:00 PM

Location: Berlin Temple: 25 Taunton Avenue, Berlin, NJ 08009

Event Agenda:

Puja & Yagna

Service Awards

Words of Wisdom from Graduating Student leaders

ITA Scholarship Announcement

Concluding Comments, ITA President

For scholarship questions, please contact Amit M. Patel – amitmpatel75@gmail.com

Any ITA members looking to be donors for our graduate or service awards, please contact any of the committee members below.

Signup for the event will be followed in separate communication.

For program details please contact:

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BALVIHAR PROGRAM

New Student Enrollment for 2025/26 Opens on May 15th

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

Timing: 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM on designated Sundays

Dates: 16-17 Sundays starting in Sept. & Ending in May.

Location: Marlton Middle School (150 Tomlinson Mill Road, Marlton, NJ)

ITA MEMBERSHIP REQUIRED

Become a member: www.indiatemple.org

Enrollment:

Regular Enrollment (May 17th through June 1st): \$252

Late Enrollment (After June 2nd): \$263

Detailed Information Available at:

<https://www.indiatemple.org/balvihar.php>

Fees are NOT REFUNDABLE for any reason.

Space in the program is VERY limited. We encourage community members to enroll early.

PUJA SERVICE & TEMPLE RENTAL FEES

Shri Sudhirji perform religious services on request. Please contact Kruti Lodhavia 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	\$25			
Vahan Pooja	\$25			
Namkaran/Annaprashan	\$101	\$151	\$251	\$301
Birthday	\$101	\$151	\$151	\$201
Shradha	\$101	\$201	\$251	\$351
Anniversary Celebration	\$151	\$201	\$251	\$301
Kesh Mundan	\$151	\$201	\$201	\$251
Satyanarayan Pooja	\$201	\$301	\$351	\$401
Engagement Ceremony	\$201	\$301	\$301	\$401
Havan/Graha Shanti	\$251	\$351	\$401	\$451
Vastu Pooja-Outside Only		\$351		\$451
Wedding per day	\$501	\$601	\$651	\$701
Upanayan/Yagnopavit	\$351	\$401	\$451	\$501
Uttarkriya Per day -Outside Only		\$251		\$351
Yagna/laghu rudra-Outside Only		\$401		\$451
Navchandi Yagna-Outside Only		\$701		\$751
Antim Kriya		No Charge		No Charge

*IRS defined per mile charge applied for pujas outside of Temple.

In addition to their base salary, Pujaris receive 50% of Outside Puja Services payment as compensation.

Facility Rental Fees

	<u>Member</u>	<u>Non-Member</u>
Prayer Hall Rental	\$351	\$401
Social Hall Rental	\$451	\$501

Send address changes or Membership renewals to:

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