



Satsang Sandesh

India Temple Association, Inc.

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Religious Calendar

2-Nov	Dev-Prabodhini Ekadashi Tulsi Vivah
3-Nov	Som Pradosh
5-Nov	Dev Diwali / Purnima Guru Nanak Jyanti Satyanarayana Puja
15-Nov	Utpatti Ekadashi Sundarkand Paath
17-Nov	Som Pradosh
20-Nov	Amavas/Amavasya

Satyanarayan Puja

Wednesday, November 5th — 6 PM

Sundarkand Paath

Saturday, November 15th — 10 AM

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2081 / 2025

Calendar will be available soon 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.

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

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

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 November in ICC.

First Meeting - Tuesday, November 11, 2025 at 6:15 PM

Dr. Sameer Khandhar will speak on the 3 most common heart conditions as we all age, including aortic stenosis, atrial fibrillation, and coronary artery disease. Dr. Khandhar is the current Chief of Cardiology at the University of Pennsylvania Presbyterian Medical Center. Dr Khandhar grew up in Pittsburgh and then attended a 6 year BS-MD medical program in Ohio. He then trained at UPENN for his residency and at the University of Pittsburgh for his cardiology fellowship. After completing this training, he was on faculty at UPMC for 4 years as an interventional cardiologist and researcher studying vascular biology in heart transplant patients. He moved back to Penn in 2014 where he became a renowned leader in treating pulmonary embolism which are blood clots in the lungs. He has published over 60 articles in the field of interventional cardiology in various medical journals. In 2023 he was named Chief of Cardiology and now oversees 55 cardiologists at 15 different practice locations.

Second Meeting - Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Elections for the position of the President of HSCSJ will be held today. There will be BINGO GAME FUN NIGHT. All of us will play the BINGO Game. Each one of us will get a score card for only 1 dollar. All the money collected will be distributed in the prizes. Rules will be explained to you prior to the start of the game.

Snacks will be served. Please note that we will try to accommodate Jain/Swaminarayan snacks if requested by 12 PM the previous Saturday. For more information, please log on to "hinduseniors.org".

Bharti Shah
President, HSCSJ

CONDOLENCES

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Shri Yadatore S. Chandrashekhar ("Chandu"), age 88, passed away on Friday, October 10, 2025, in Mount Laurel, NJ. He is survived by his loving wife Usha; his daughter Manasa (husband Srihari & her sons Nikhil & Tajus); his son Ravi (wife Sumathi & his son Akash) and his beloved brother & sisters, their spouses & children.

It is with heavy heart that we share the sad news that Smt. Shobhana Kansupada (Desai), age 84, passed away on Friday, October 3, 2025 in Voorhees, NJ. She is survived by her sons, Sanjay & Kashyap; her three grandsons, Sujan, Jeevun & Cabir; and two daughters-in-law, Sangita (Doshi) & Ameesha.

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

TULSI VIVAH

Sunday, November 2, 2025 at the Berlin Temple



ITA invites your family to celebrate the marriage of the plant Tulsiji with Shaligram (a form of God Vishnu).

Baarat starts at 5:00 PM, followed by marriage ceremony and Maha Prasad.

Bridal Yajman

Dhruvangi & Kalpesh Brahmbhatt
Brijal & Gaurav Brahmbhatt

Groom side Yajman

Birva & Puneet Shah

ITA GENERAL BODY MEETING & ANNUAL TRUSTEE ELECTION

Saturday, December 13th at 2:00 PM

We encourage all members to attend this important event. The preliminary agenda for the meeting is below:

- ITA leadership will provide a review of the past year and priorities for the 2026.
- Trustee Candidates for 2026 to 2028 term will discuss their qualifications and planned contribution.
- Election will be conducted.
- General Body will be given the floor to ask questions.



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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
Baby Shower	\$101	\$201	\$251	\$301
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:

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