



Satsang Sandesh

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Calendar

3-Sep	Sheetla Satam
4-Sep	Krishna Janmashtami
7-Sep	Aja Ekadashi Rudrabhishek 10AM-Noon & 5 to 7:30PM
11-Sep	Amavas/Amavasya Last Day of Shravan Maas, Rudrabhishek 10AM-Noon & 5 to 7:30PM
12-Sep	Sundarkand Paath 10AM
14-Sep	Kevada Trij- Haritalika Teej Shri Ganesha Chaturthi
15-Sep	Rishi/Rushi Panchami
19-Sep	Radha Ashtami
22-Sep	Parivartini Ekadashi
25-Sep	Anant Chaturdashi Shri Ganesha Visarjan
26-Sep	ITA 50th Anniversary Havan Mahalaya Starts Shradha Paksha/Pitri Paksha Starts

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
No Puja this month

Sundarkand Paath
Saturday September 12 -
10AM

VIKRAM SAMVAT 2082 / 2026

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 \$401 for members and \$451 for non-members. 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.

Hudson James	1-Sep	Devendra Soni	19-Sep
Vinod N Patel	3-Sep	Arjun Kumar	19-Sep
Giyanani Mulchand	4-Sep	Nagindas & Champaben Shah	22-Sep
Kashiben Patel	8-Sep	Nathu Mistry	23-Sep
Ajay Patel	10-Sep	Girish Aggarwal	23-Sep
Omila Kochhar	14-Sep	Kirti Doshi	27-Sep
Krina Patel	14-Sep	Babubhai Patel	28-Sep
Arun Maheswari	17-Sep	Thakor Patel	30-Sep
		Vijay & Asha Gupta	30-Sep

PROGRAMS FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH, HEALTH, HAPPINESS & GOD REALIZATION

<https://www.indiatemple.org/contact-us.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

Tuesday, September 8th

Guest Speaker: Rep from Strive Physical Therapy

Topic: "Improve Your Strength, Balance and Mobility with Physical Therapy"

A representative from Strive Physical Therapy will join us at our upcoming HSCSJ meeting to discuss how physical therapy can help seniors improve mobility, balance, strength, flexibility, and overall well-being. They will explain and demonstrate various techniques, exercises, equipment, and therapeutic tools used in their practice to help manage pain, prevent falls, recover from injuries, and maintain an active and independent lifestyle.

This informative and interactive presentation will also give members an opportunity to ask questions and learn how physical therapy may benefit their individual health needs.

Tuesday, September 22nd.

Guest Speaker: Allan Goodies, Insurance Agent - BGA Insurance Group

Topic: "Insurance and upcoming Medicare updates"

We're pleased to announce that Alan Gudis will be presenting an important session on the upcoming updates to Medicare, including what they mean for your rights and entitlements as a beneficiary. From new prescription drug cost caps to expanded coverage options and automatic enrollment programs, the landscape of Medicare is shifting in ways that could significantly impact your healthcare decisions. Alan will walk us through these changes, explain how they affect you, and offer practical guidance to help you make the most of your benefits. Stay informed. Stay protected and join us for this essential update. This presentation will be followed by Q&A.

CHILDREN'S NAVRATRI—SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, October 11th, @ ICC

Join us for an afternoon of Garba and Raas for young kids (ages 4-12)!



Including:

- Child friendly prasad and Aarti
- Small group garba and raas instruction
- Navratri related crafts
- Live musicians & singers
- Slower paced music to facilitate learning
- Less crowded environment

Online-ticket purchasing and other information forthcoming

CELEBRATE KRISHNA'S BIRTHDAY JANMASHTAMI

Friday, September 4



Program Details:

Temple Hours: 9:00 AM—Midnight
Morning Aarti: 10AM & Noon
Evening Aarti: 6PM, 7PM, 8PM & 9PM
Krishna Pragtya Aarti: Midnight

Venue: Hindu Berlin Temple: 25 Taunton Avenue, Berlin
Temple will be open whole day for Darshan

Bhajans will be open to all to ensure smooth crowd flow and prevent congestion.
Packed prasad will be available.

Sponsorships Welcome

For sponsorships and additional information contact:
Vinita Ganju @ 609-744-8558, Lalit Patel @ 609-841-4888 or Kinnari Patel @ 609-230-4040

GANESH CHATURTHI

Monday, September 14th — Friday, September 25th

Monday, September 14th:

6:00 PM: Procession from parking lot to the temple
6:30 PM: Sthapana Puja
7:30 PM: Aarti followed by Mahaprasad



Tuesday, September 15th — Friday, September 18th & Sunday, September 20th—Thursday, September 24th

10:30 AM—12:30 PM & 5:00 PM—8:00 PM (Mon-Fri) - Daily Darshan
9:30 AM—12:30 PM & 5:00 PM—8:00 PM (Sat-Sun) - Daily Darshan
12:00 PM—Ganesh Archana & Aarti followed by temple Aarti
7:15 PM—Ganesh Puja followed by Aarti

Saturday, September 19th:

5:30 PM—7:15 PM—Singing Concert by local artists
7:30 PM—Aarti followed by Boxed Prasad

Friday, September 25: (Visarjan)

6:00 PM-7:00 PM —Utthapan
7:30 PM—Aarti followed by Mahaprasad

Must register to do in-person puja. Please call the numbers below to register & sponsor Pooja.
Donations are welcome. Suggested donation for puja is \$101.

To sponsor Puja and for donation, please contact:
Anoo Joshi: 856-577-3631, Vinita Ganju @ 609-744-8558 or Vidya Shukla: 610-703-1710

ITA 50th ANNIVERSARY YAGNA —SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, September 26th, Tentative time: 2-5PM

Additional information forthcoming



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BALVIHAR PROGRAM

New Student Enrollment for 2026/27 Open

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:

Late Enrollment (After June 2nd): \$275

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
Rudrabhishek 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
Annual Special Prayers	\$401		\$451	
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	\$401	\$451
Social Hall Rental	\$501	\$551

Send address changes or Membership renewals to:

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