



# ŠRÎ SÂI LEELA

## Šrî Shirdi Sai Bâbâ Temple

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January 2017

“ My people do not come to me of their own accord; it is I who seek and bring them to me. - Šrî Sâi Bâbâ.”

### PROGRESS REPORT OF FUND RAISING

Dear Embodiments of Love :

May SAI BABA BLESS ALL OF US. The Temple conveys gratitude for your continued support to the First Sri Shirdi Sai Baba Temple in USA for the past 3 decades. As you all know, the Temple is in the process of constructing a new Temple building to better serve the needs of the devotees. After a long 5 year battle with the local municipality and objections from local residents, the case was finally won in the court.

The new Temple site plan includes a new building, private driveway, meditation Gazebos, and a walking trail. The estimated budget for the all the construction is an estimated 5 million dollars. WE CANNOT MOVE AHEAD WITHOUT YOUR FINANCIAL SUPPORT. It will take about 5 years to complete.

**You do not have to make the full donation at one time.** You can pledge a total amount and can donate towards the pledge over time. **The Temple acknowledges all the devotees that have pledged to donate to the New Temple project so far.**

We thank all the devotees that have supported the temple so far. Consider supporting the construction of the New Shirdi Sai Baba Temple and be a part of our Sri Sai Sanjeevani Tree. The amount



that has been fundraised so far is close to \$240,000. The names of devotees who have sponsored 1-3 bricks for the proposed temple project are on our temple website.

We humbly request you to sponsor a leaf on the Sanjeevani Tree with a donation of \$1008 or greater. (You can have your family names or names of your choosing on the leaf) You may

make a pledge to donate over time. If you cannot sponsor a leaf consider sponsoring a single brick for \$252.

With Gratitude and Love, May Baba bless us all -Temple Management  
Leaf Sponsorship of the Sai Sanjeevani Tree

**\$252 – One brick (1-3) - Name on website**

**\$1008 - Bronze Leaf**

**\$2500 - Silver Leaf**

**\$5000 - \$10,000 Gold Leaf**

**\$10,000 - Small picture (4.25" x 5.5")**

**\$100,000 - Gold Leaf, Medium picture (8.5"x11")**

**\$500,000 - Gold Leaf, Large picture (15"x 22")**

**\$ 1 million - Gold Leaf, Extra Large picture(24"x 36")**

### President's New Year's Message of 2017

**Dear Embodiment's of Divine Love and Peace:**

Sai Baba bless all of us a **Happy new year** with Health and Wealth. Thank you all with immense gratitude and love for your continued support to the temple for more than 3 decades. Service to beings is more dear to God. Therefore FEEDING

1. Ants with sugar(relief from pain & debts)
2. Birds (Spiritual well being and food)
- 3.Cows (Peace and prosperity)
- 4.Dogs (emancipates evil forces in and out)
- 5.Fish and Tortoise (Fame and Popularity)

Chant AUM 21 times everyday for World Peace. Let us all pray for Universal Peace. Donate with love for **World Peace Yagna 2017.**

Wealth has 4 sons- 1.Charity 2.Government 3.Fire 4.Thieves. If we donate to the 1st son other 3 will have no claim. Any amount is welcome-\$1008, \$504, \$252, \$108, \$54, \$21 & \$11. Annadanam is the Greatest Gift of All and is being rendered throughout the year in India and the temple. Your generosity is enabling these noble programs.

**MAY ALL DENIZENS OF ALL THE WORLDS BE HAPPY. PEACE-TRANQUILITY-SERENITY**

**Yours in Service**

President - Sri Panduranga Rao Malyala

### Chant the Surya Mantra for health and Prosperity

*Surya arishTetu sampraapthe Surya pujaamcha kaarayEt  
Surya dhyaanam pravakshyami Atma PeeDa upashanthaye*

*Adi Deva Namastubhayam praside mama Bhaskara  
Diwakara Namastubhayam Prabhakara Namastute*

*Saptaswa radhamaroodam prachadam kasyapatmajam  
Sweta padmaharam devam Tam Suryam pranamamyaham*

*Om Japa Kusuma Sankasam Kashya peyum mahadyuthim  
Thamorim sarva papaghanam pranatosmi divakaram*

*Banduka pushpa samkasam harakundala bhushitam  
Eka chakra dharam devam tam Suryam Pranamamyaham*

*Viswesam viswakartaram mahatejah pradeepanam  
Maha papaharam devam tam Suryam Pranamamyaham*

### HINDU CALENDAR

**Current Year of the Earth:** 1,955,885,2016

**Name of the Year:** Sri Durmukhi ; **Ayanam:**Uttarayanam

**Rutuvu:** Rutuvu – Hemantha/ Sisira ;

**Masam:**Pushyam till Jan 27<sup>th</sup> / Magham Krishna's Niryanam

**(Kali Yuga):** 5117

Gregorian Calendar 2017 A.D.

## Makara Sankrathi - Sankramanam “Makara Sankaranthi Subhakankshalu”



**Saptaswa Radhamaroodam  
Prachandam Kasyapatmajam  
Sweta Padmadharam Devam Tham Suryam  
Pranamamyaham**

Makara Sankramana is the day on which the Sun appears to traverse from the Tropic of Capricorn in the South to Tropic of Cancer in the North. The Sun takes the northern path from this day, the higher path. Whenever the mind yearns for and pursues a goal, it is on the northern path, following the Sun, the splendor of Intelligence. The summer solstice day is celebrated as an auspicious festival since ages.

Every home is swept clean. Women draw auspicious designs(Rangoli) on the floor. They place a lump of cow dung with a big yellow flower in the middle of that design. The cow dung symbolizes the COW, the GO that Gopala feeds and fends. “GO” also means, beings, souls, and individuals. Thus each trivial detail of the festival rites has a meaning; people hang mango leaves across their doors to welcome the Sun God.

On this day, sweet rice is cooked in milk. The food is sathvic, which promotes elevated thoughts, mildness and humility. What you take in through the eye, the ear, the nose, the mouth and the skin for variegated experiences of the objective world is food in different forms. Every particle of it has to be sathvic for your quick progress towards self-realization.

The Moon represents the emotion and the Sun represents the intellect. Both must be balanced in every individual, emotion held back by intelligence. One must learn to accept good and bad bravely and welcome every happening with a “Yes”.

## Sri Surya Namaskara- Salutations

OM MITRAYA NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE FRIEND OF ALL)

OM RAVAYE NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM SAMARPAYAMI.  
(PRAISED BY ALL)

OM SURYAYA NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE GUIDE OF ALL)

OM BHANAVE NAMAHA-NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI.(THE BESTOWER OF BEAUTY)

OM KHAGAYA NAMAHA-NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI.(STIMULATOR OF THE SENSES)

OM PUSHNE NAMAHA -NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE NOURISHER OF ALL)

OM HIRANYAGARBHAYA NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE CREATOR)

OM MARICHAYE NAMAHA -NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (DESTROYER OF DISEASE)

OM ADITYAYA NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE INSPIRER)

OM SAVITRE NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE PURIFIER)

OM ARKAYA NAMAHA - NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE RADIANT)

OM BHASKARAYA NAMAHA-NAMASKARAM  
SAMARPAYAMI. (THE ILLUMINATOR)

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### **Significance of Surya Namaskara: Health is Wealth**

For thousands of years we revere the Sun (Surya), as both the physical and spiritual heart of our world and the creator of all life itself. One of the means of honoring the Sun is through the Surya Namaskar (known as Sun Salutation). The Sanskrit word Namaskar stems from namas means “to bow to” or “to adore.” Kara means “you”—also comes from the root. The Meaning “the divine in me honors the divine in you.” Each Sun Salutation begins and ends with Namaskara mudra, touched to the heart. Surya Namaskar or Sun salutation, is a morning ritual of prayer and worship to Lord Surya the God of health.

The Sun Salutations are said to remove bodily and mental tensions, improve circulation, stimulate the nervous system and raise the body heat. All joints are loosened and lubricated. It offers great flexibility to your spine. The muscles of the abdomen, pelvis and spine are toned and strengthened. The breathing is regulated, thereby calming the mind. If practiced slowly, it has a calming effect. Our ancestors are performing Surya Namaskars as part of worship which gives us good health.

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## **Sai Family Puja Sponsorship \$252**

The donors will be listed as Sai family supporters of 2017 in the website and will be included in the 5 major festivals (Maha Sivaratri, Ugadi, Guru Poornima, Dasara and Deepavali) throughout the year and prasadam will be sent.

## **Annual Sai Family Puja Sponsorship \$1008**

The donors will be listed as Annual Sai family supporters of 2017 in the website and will be included in all the major festivals throughout the year and a blessed silver pendant will be sent as prasadam.

Method of donation: Check ( ) Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash ( ), CC ( )

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**CLENDAR OF EVENTS - JANUARY 2017**

**Jan 1 Sun New Year 2017 Peace Prayers**  
 09.30 am Sri Shirdi Sai Baba Abhishekam \$54  
 (individual Siva lingas will be given)  
 10.30 am Sri Sai Navagraha Homam \$252  
 Sarvadevatha Homam \$126  
 11.00 am Sri Sai Satyanarayana Vratam \$54  
 Sri Sai Archana \$11 / Sahasranamam \$21

**Jan 3 Tue Mâsa Skanda Shashti**  
 09.30 am Subrahmanya Abhishekam \$54  
 Subrahmanya Archana \$18  
 Oil lamps (6) \$12

Praying Lord Subramanya or Kartikeya on Shashti thithi removes problems in life, health, wealth, profession and graha dosha. He is the lord over Mars - Kuja.

**Jan 5 Thur Mâsa Durgashtami**  
 10.30 am Durga Homam \$126  
 Durga Archana \$18  
 Maa Durga is a divine manifestation of Goddess Shakti, the primordial force or energy of the Universe. Worshipping Mata Durga on this day can absolve their sins and gain complete material and spiritual bliss.

**Jan 8 Sunday Mukkoti Ekadasi & Krittika Deepam**  
 09.30 am Sai Moola Vighraha Abhishekam \$54  
 10.00 am Sri Vishnu Sahasranama Yagnam \$126  
 11.00 am Sri Sai Satyanarayana Vratam \$54  
 Sri Sai Archana \$11 / Sahasranamam \$21  
 Flower Service \$36 / 07.00pm Jyoti Arati \$108  
 Krittika Nakshatra Archana \$18  
 Oil Lemon lamps (2) \$6

**Krittika Deepam :** The lamps are also lit for a happy married life and for the well being of children in the family.

**Jan 9 Mon Pushya Sukla Trayodasi - Pradosham**  
 10am & 6.30 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam \$36  
 Siva Archana \$18

**Jan 11 Wed Pushya Poornima**  
 09.30 am Sai Moola Vighraha Abhishekam \$54  
 10.00 am Sri Sai Rudra Yagnam \$126  
 11.00 am Sri Sai Satyanarayana Vratam \$54  
 Sri Sai Archana \$11 / Sahasranamam \$21  
 Flower Service \$36 / 7.00pm Jyoti Arati \$108

**Masam: Pushyam till Jan 27<sup>th</sup> / Magham**

**Jan 13 Fri Bhogi (Lohari) 9am Bhogi Mantalu(Bon fire)**  
 6.30pm Bhogi Pandlu to our Sai and Kids  
*To pray Lord Vishnu for better health for children.*

**Jan 14 Sat Makara Sankranti(Pongal) & Uttarayanam**  
 09.30 am Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam \$36  
 10.00 am Mahalakshmi and Surya Homam \$126  
 11.00 am Satyanarayana Vratam \$54  
 05.00 pm Veda Patanam \$21  
 07.00 pm – Jyothi / Sej Arathi \$108

**Jan 15 Sun Kanuma & Sankatahara Chaturthi**  
 09.30 am Ganapathi Abhishekam \$54  
 10.00 am Lalitha Sahasranama / Ganapathi Homam \$126  
 11.00 pm Sai Satyanârâyana Vratam \$54  
 05.30 pm Lalitha Sahasranama Parayana/Flowers \$27  
 06:30 pm “GA” kara Sahasram \$36  
 08.00 pm Jyoti Arati \$108

Travelling is Prohibited. Festival of animals- cow and calf will be bathed, decorated & worshipped. Offer boorelu (sweet cookies) to divine mother for peace.

**Jan 16 Mon Mukkanuma Bommala Nomu**  
 Traveling is not advised /10am Savitri Gauri Vratam \$54

**Jan 24 Tues Pushya Krishna Trayodasi - Pradosham**  
 06.30 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam \$36  
 Siva Archana \$18

**Jan 26 Thur Republic day of India & Mâsa Sivaratri**  
 10.00 am 360 Rudra Abhishekam \$108  
 11.00 am Sri Rudra Homam \$126

**Jan 27 Fri Paushya (Chollangi) Amavasya**  
 08.00am Deva Rishi Pitru tarpanam \$21

**Temple Programs or Projects you can Support:**

**Annadanam(Narayana Seva) :** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Go (Cow) Rakshana (Maintenance):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Veda Uddharana( Veda Patasala):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**General Donation( Maintenance):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sai Family (Annual )Sponsorhip(\$252):** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Temple improvement Fund Amount:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**New Temple construction 1 brick - \$252** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Sponsored Puja: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Donation: \_\_\_\_\_**

Payment Method : Check Cash Credit Card ;Please make check payable to SRI SHIRDI SAI BABA TEMPLE

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Names & Birthstars:** \_\_\_\_\_

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