

# **ŠRÎ SÂI LEELA**

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'Help Ever, Hurt Never'

" I want Peace. I - ego, Want is desire. Remove ego and desire and you have peace..- Šrî Sâi Bâbâ."

Sri Rama Nama Yagnam Wednesday March 29<sup>th</sup> to Thursday April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 SRI RAMA NAVAMI - Tuesday April 4th



Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam-Tuesday April 4th at 6pm

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Chitra Sukla Poornima - CHITRA POORNIMA Lord Chitra Gupta Birthday - Homam Saturday April 8th - Monday April 10th, 2017



Lord CHITRAGUPTA Mantram Sachitra chitram chitayamtamasmey chitrakshatra chitratamam vayodhaam Chandram rayim puruveeram Bruhantam Chandra chandraabhirgrunutey yuvaswa



Sri Sai Sanjeevani Tree

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## Sri Kanaka dhara Stotram - Sri Adi Shankaracharya

SII Kanaka unara Sivirani	- SIT Auf Shankarachar ya
Angam hare pulaka bhooshanamasrayanthi,	Namosthu naleeka nibhananai,
Bhringanga neva mukulabharanam thamalam,	Namosthu dhugdhodhadhi janma bhoomayai,
Angikrithakhila vibhuthirapanga leela,	Namosthu somamrutha sodarayai,
Mangalyadasthu mama mangala devathayah. Il 1 ll	Namosthu narayana vallabhayai. ll 12 ll
ivianguryudustna mana mangana devatna yan. Ii i n	Namostilu harayana vanaonayai. Ii 12 li
Muadha muhumudhadhathi yadana Murarah	No see other house with the in so of the see i
Mugdha muhurvidhadhathi vadane Murareh,	Namosthu hemambhuja peetikayai,
Premathrapapranihithani gathagathani,	Namosthu bhoo mandala nayikayai,
Mala dhrishormadhukareeva mahoth pale ya,	Namosthu devadi dhaya prayai,
Sa me sriyam disathu sagarasambhavayah. ll 2 ll	Namosthu Sarngayudha vallabhayai. ll 13 ll
Ameelithaksha madhigamya muda Mukundam	Namosthu devyai brugu nandanayai,
Anandakandamanimeshamananga thanthram,	Namosthu vishnorurasi sthithayai,
Akekara stitha kaneenika pakshma nethram,	Namosthu lakshmyai kamalalayai,
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Bhoothyai bhavenmama bhujangasayanganayah. 11 3 11	Namosthu dhamodhra vallabhayai. ll 14 ll
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Bahwanthare madhujitha srithakausthube ya,	Namosthu Kanthyai kamalekshanayai,
Haravaleeva nari neela mayi vibhathi,	Namosthu bhoothyai bhuvanaprasoothyai,
Kamaprada bhagavatho api kataksha mala,	Namosthu devadhibhir archithayai,
Kalyanamavahathu me kamalalayayah 11 4 11	Namosthu nandhathmaja vallabhayai. ll 15 ll
Kalambudhaali Lalithorasi kaita bhare,	Sampath karaani sakalendriya nandanani,
Dharaadhare sphurathi yaa thatinganeva,	
- · ·	Samrajya dhana vibhavani saroruhakshi,
Mathu samastha jagatham mahaneeya murthy,	Twad vandanani dhuritha haranodhythani,
Badrani me dhisathu bhargava nandanayahll 5 ll	Mameva mataranisam kalayanthu manye. ll 16 ll
Praptham padam pradhamathah khalu yat prabhavath,	Yath Kataksha samupasana vidhih,
Mangalyabhaji madhu madhini manmathena,	Sevakasya sakalartha sapadah,
Mayyapate tadiha mathara meekshanardham,	Santhanoti vachananga manasaih,
Mandalasam cha makaralaya kanyakayah. ll 6 ll	Twaam murari hridayeswareem bhaje 111711
Viswamarendra padavi bramadhana dhaksham,	Sarasija nilaye saroja hasthe,
Ananda hethu radhikam mura vidvishopi,	Dhavalatharam suka gandha malya shobhe,
Eshanni sheedhathu mayi kshanameekshanartham,	Bhagavathi hari vallabhe manognye,
Indhivarodara sahodharamidhirayah 11 7 11	
	Tribhuvana bhoothikari praseeda mahyam ll 18 ll
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Ishta vishishtamathayopi yaya dhayardhra,	Dhiggasthibhi kanaka kumbha mukha vasrushta,
Dhrishtya thravishta papadam sulabham labhanthe,	Sarvahini vimala charu jalapluthangim,
Hrishti prahrushta kamlodhara deepthirishtam,	Prathar namami jagathaam janani masesha,
Pushtim krishishta mama pushkravishtarayah. 11 8 11	Lokadhinadha grahini mamrithabhi puthreem. 111911
Dhadyaddhayanupavanopi dravinambhudaraam,	Kamale Kamalaksha vallabhe twam,
Asminna kinchina vihanga sisou vishanne,	Karuna poora tharingithaira pangai,
Dhushkaramagarmmapaneeya chiraya dhooram,	
	Avalokaya mamakinchananam,
Narayana pranayinee nayanambhuvahah 11911	Pradhamam pathamakrithrimam dhyaya ll 20 ll
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Gheerdhevathethi garuda dwaja sundarithi,	Sthuvanthi ye sthuthibhirameeranwaham,
Shakambhareethi sasi shekara vallebhethi,	Thrayeemayim thribhuvanamatharam ramam,
Srishti sthithi pralaya kelishu samsthitha ya,	Gunadhika gurutara bhagya bhagino,
Thasyai namas thribhvanai ka gurostharunyai. 1110 ll	Bhavanthi the bhuvi budha bhavithasayah ll 21 ll
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Sruthyai namosthu shubha karma phala prasoothyai,	Suwarna dhara stotram yah Shankaraharya nirmitam
Rathyai namosthu ramaneeya gunarnavayai,	thri sandyam yah patennityam sa Kubera samobhaveth
Shakthyai namosthu satha pathra nikethanayai,	and sandjuit juit paterinitjuit su redord suniositaveti
Pushtayi namosthu purushotthama vallabhayai. 11 11 11	Aum Shanthi Aum Shanthi Aum Shanthi
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#### Sri Shirdi Sai Sath Charitra:

### *In Quest of Guru and God - Fasting Disapproved.* Hemadpant describes two things:-

(1) How Baba met His Guru in the woods, and through he himself a God; and (2) How Baba made one Mrs. Ghokhale, who had made up her mind to fast for three days, eat Puran-Polis.

In the beginning, Hemadpant describes the samsara (visible world) by the allegory of Ashvattha (Banyan) tree which has, in the phraseology of the Geeta, roots above and branches below. Its branches are spread downwards and upwards and are nourished by the gunas (qualities), and its sprouts are the objects of the senses. Its roots, leading to actions, are extended downwards to this world of men. Its form cannot be known in this world, nor its end, its beginning nor its support. Cutting this Ashvattha tree of strong roots with the sharp weapon of non-attachment, one should seek the path beyond, treading which there is no return.Baba's experience in this matter, the story which He gave out Himself, is really wonderful, which, when attended to, will give you faith, devotion and salvation. Fasting and Mrs. Gokhale Baba never fasted Himself, nor did He allow others to do so. The mind of the faster is never at ease, then how could he attain his Paramartha (goal of life)? God is not attained on an empty stomach; first the soul has to be appeased. If there is no moisture of food in the stomach and nutrition, with what eyes should we see God, with what tongue should we describe His greatness and with what ears should we hear the same? In short, when all our organs get their proper nutrition and are sound, we can practise devotion and other sadhanas to attain God. Therefore, neither fasting nor overeating is good. Moderation in diet is really wholesome both to the body and mind.

One Mrs.Gokhale came to Shirdi with an introductory letter from Mrs. Kashibai Kanitkar (a devotee of Baba) to Dada Kelkar. She came to Baba with a determination to sit at Baba's Feet observing a three days fast. The day previous, Baba said to Dada Kelkar, that He would not allow his children to starve during the Shimga, i.e., Holi holidays, and that if they had to starve, why was He there? Next day when the woman went with Dada Kelkar and sat at Baba's Feet, Baba at once said to her, "Where is the necessity of fasting? Go to Dadabhat's house, prepare the dish of Puran Polis (wheat rotis with gram-flour and jaggery), feed his children and yourself too." Shimga holidays were on. Mrs. Kelkar was then in her menses and there was nobody to cook in Dadabhat's house. So Baba's advice was very timely. Then Mrs. Gokhale had to go to Dadabhat's house and prepare the dish as directed. She cooked that day, fed others and herself. What a good story and how it is import! **LORD CHITRAGUPTA:** Through worship of Lord Chitragupta, it is felt that when one appears before Yama, Lord Chitragupta will give a benign report. Since everyone has made mistakes in their lifetime, this is very important! According to the Navagraha Mantras Ketu is responsible for liberation (Moksha) the 9th planet.

Chitragupta is the Athi (adhi) devata for Ketu. So worship of Chitragupta is especially useful for those seeking liberation or who are afflicted by Ketu. During the Chitragupta Puja, earning members of the household give an account of the household budget and ask Chitragupta Maharaj for the additional amount of money that is required to run the household next year. Chitragupta has authority to cut and paste good and bad karmas (actions) of our lives. Therefore Chitragupta will bestow prosperity on those who worship him. Chitragupta puja is performed for world peace, knowledge and literacy. The puja is also known as Dawat (Inkpot) Puja, in which pen & books are worshipped, symbolizing the importance of study in the life.

Chitra Poornima the full moon day in the month of Chaitra, which falls on April 10th, 2017 which is the best day to perform worship of Chitragupta. It is also sacred to remembering your mothers: austerities on this day are supposed to please them (an early bath, no eating of flesh and at least ten good minutes of sitting down peacefully and praying to be cleansed of emotional toxins. (anger, bitterness, revenge, jealousy).

The story of Chitragupta is wonderful and all those who participate in this yagna will receive his blessings. Lord Chitragupta is the chronicler of the good and bad deeds of individual souls during their sojourn on earth. His judgment as to whether the soul of a particular individual should be consigned to hell or lofted to heaven, is accepted by Yama Dharma Raja as final. Since all of us make mistakes while on Earth, this yagna is important. It persuades Lord Chitragupta and his angels to give a benign report to Lord Yamadharmaraja before Judgement.Other benefits of the yagna include world peace, self-knowledge, literacy, prosperity, and wish fulfillment.

This yagna is also a memorial and remembrance to love our mothers through whom we came into this world. Our mother's love toward us is six and God's love is seven on a scale of the seven . Through the blessings of Chitragupta and our own Mother we will be able to live in love and bliss. Chitra Gupta Vratam is also performed as a part of the Yagna, to change the divine account of karma. Iron piece shall be gifted to please Yama. Surya and Chitragupta Pratima(picture) made with silver or gold will be used in worship. 5 copper kalasas, 5 towels, 5 kunchas rice (40lbs), one red color silk dhoti and 5 kunchas of paddy with a basket will be also offered.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS - APRIL 2017	Ň	1āsam: Chaitram till Apr 26 <sup>th</sup> / Vaisākha	ım .	
Apr 1 Sat Chaitra Sukla Panchami & Māsa SandaShasht		10.00 am Ganapathi Homam	\$126	
• 09.30 am Subrahmanya Abhishekam or Saraswathi	\$54	06:30 pm "GA" kara Sahasram	\$36	
Subrahmanya Archana or Archana	\$18	Apr 15 Sat Mesha Sankramanam	•	
• Apr 2 Sun Chaitra Sukla (Bhanu) Saptami		06.00 pm Veda Parayana	\$21	
10.00 am Surya Abhishekam	\$54	Apr 16 Sun Matsya Jayanthi - Éaster		
• 10.30 am Surya Homam \$126 / SuryaArchana	\$18	Apr 23 Sun Chitra Krishna Pradosham -BHANU PRADO 10.00 am & 06.00 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam	знам \$36	
Apr 3 Mon Chaitra Sukla Ashtami & Māsa Durgashtam		Siva Archana	\$18	
10.30 am Durga Homam	\$126	Apr 25 Tues Chitra Krishna Chaturthi - Māsa Sivarātri	¢10 (	
• Durga Archana	\$18	10.30 am 360 Siva Linga Archana	\$108	
Apr 4 Tue Sri Rāma Navami – Navaratri ends	\$54	11.30 pm Bilva Archana	\$126	
06.00 pm Sri Sita Rama Kalyanam Apr 8 Sat Chaitra Sukla (Sani) Trayodasi - PRADOSHAN		1	•	
10.00 am Sanieswara Taila Abhishekam	\$54	7.30 pm Jyothi Arathi	\$108	
11.00 am Sanieswara Homam	\$126	Apr 26 Wed Chitra Krishna Amāvāsya	•	
06.30 pm Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam	\$120 \$36	08.00 am Deva Rishi Pitru tarpanam	\$27	
Siva Archana	\$30 \$18	Apr 27 Thur Krittikā deepam - Oil lamps 6	\$6	
Apr 10 Mon Chitra Sukla Poornima - CHITRA POORNI		Apr 28 Fri Parasurāma & Balarāma Jayanthi		
Lord Chitra Gupta Birthday - Homam	\$126	Akshaya Tritiya: DO NOT BUY GOLD - that means invitin	ig KALI	
• 09.30 am Sri Shirdi Sai Abhishekam	\$108	purasha	•	
• 10.30 am Sri Sai Pudra Homam	\$126	10:00 am Maha Lakshmi Abhishekam	54	
11.00am/ 06.00pm Sri Sai Satyanarayana Vratam	\$54	11:00 am Maha Lakshmi Homam	\$126	
Sri Sai Archana \$11 / Sahasranamam	\$21	06.30 pm Maha Lakshmi kumkum puja	\$21	
07.00pm Jyoti Arati	\$108	Apr 30 Sun Vaisakha Sukla Panchami- Sri Adi Shankar	(	
Apr 13 Thur Souramana Ugadi/Vishu Free Archana to all.		Ramanuja	•	
• Apr 14 Fri Varaha Jayanthi & Sankatahara Chaturthi		09.30 am Sri Siva Abhishekam	\$54	
09.30 am Ganapathi Abhishekam	\$54	10.30 am Kanakadhara Homam	\$126	
	φ.94	05:30 pm Shankaracharya Archana	\$11	
Sri Chitragupta yagnam Saturday, Apr 8th to Monday Apr 11th, 2017				
Dear Embodiment of Love, Under the Divine Command of Sai Baba a Chitragupta Yagna will be performed from April 8th $-$ 10th,				
Sponsorship of the yagna :				
One day Yagna:\$153 ( );		HINDU CALENDAR		
Whole Yagna: \$504 ( );		<b>Current Year of the Earth</b> : 1,955,885,2017		
Dana (1 bag of rice ) - \$25 ( );		Name of the Year: Sri Heyvilambi Ayanam:Uttarayanam ; Rutuvu: Vasantha		
Annadanam (Poor Feeding in India): \$54, \$108, \$504,\$11	.16;	Masam:Chaitram till Apr 26 <sup>th</sup> / Vaisākham		
Annadanam others:		Krishna Niryanam (Kali Yuga): 5118		

Krishna Niryanam (Kali Yuga): 5118 Gregorian Calendar 2017 A.D.

Sponsored Puja(s):\_\_\_\_\_

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