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# ŚRÎ SÂI LEELA

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August 2018

“No one has a right to advice others unless he is already practicing what he preaches”- Śrî Sâi Bâbâ.”

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS - August 2018

Samvatsaram: Sri Vilambi / Dakshinâyanam

Mâsam : Ashadam till 10<sup>th</sup> / Sravanam

Rutuvu: Greeshma /Varsha

Aug 5 Sun	Krittikâ deepam	6 Oil Lamps	\$6
Aug 7 Tue	Kamika Ekadasi	Sai Archana	\$11
Aug 8 Wed	Ashadaa Krishna Dwadasi Trayodasi Pradosham		
	10 am Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam		\$36
	Siva Archana		\$18
Aug 9 Thurs	Ashada Krishna Chaturdasi - Masa Sivaratri		
	10.00 am 360 Sivalinga Abhishekam		\$108
	10.30 am Sri Rudra Homam		\$126
	5.00 pm 1 lakh Bilva Archana		\$108
Aug 10 Fri	Ashada Amavasya		
	8.00 am Deva Rishi Pitru Tarpanam		\$21
Aug 11 Sat	Sravanam Masa begins		
Aug 14 Tue	Naga Chaturthi - Mangala Gowri Vratam begins		
	10am Sarpa sukta abhishekam		\$54
Aug 15 Wed	Sravana Sukla Panchami - GARUDA PANCHAMI		
Aug 16 Thur	Mâsa Skanda Shashti		
Aug 18 Sat	Masa Durgastami		
	10 am Durga Homam		\$126
Aug 19 Sun	Simha Sankramana		
	07.00 pm Veda Patanam		\$21
Aug 21 Tue	Putrada Ekadasi Sai Archana		\$11
Aug 23 Thurs	Sravana Krishna Trayodasi -PRADOSHAM		
	10am Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam		\$36
	Siva Archana		\$18
Aug 24 Fri	SRI VARA MAHALAKSHMI VRATAM		
	6.00pm Varamahalakshmi Vratam		\$54
Aug 25 Sat	Sravana Sukla Poornima - RAKHI		
	Rig & Yajur UPAKARMA - Temple opens at 9am		
	09.30 am Sai Datta Rudrabhishekam		\$54
	10.00 am Mahalakshmi & Viraja Homam		\$126
	Flower Service		\$36
	06.00 PM Sai Satyanaryana Vratam		\$54
	Jyoti Arati		\$108
Aug 26 Sun	GAYATRI JAPAM	10 am Gayatri Homam	\$126
Aug 30 Thur	Sravana Krishna (Sankatahara) Chaturthi		
	10:00 am Ganapathi Abhishekam		\$54
	11.00 am Ganapathi Homam		\$126
	06.30 pm “GA” kara Sahasram		\$21
Sep 2 Sun	Sravana Krishna Astami -KRISHNAASTAMI		
	10.30 am Sri Tulasi Brunda Homam		\$126
Sept 3 Mon	Sravana Somavara Abhishekam		\$54
Sep 8 Sat	Sravana Krishna Chaturdasi -Masa Sivaratri		
	10.00 am 360 Sivalinga abhishekam		\$108
	10.30 am Rudra Homam		\$126
	05.00 pm 1 lakh bilva archana		\$108
Sep 9 Wed	Sravana Krishna Amavasya		
	08.00 am Deva Rishi Pitru Tarpanam		\$21

## SRI SAIMAHALAKSHMI SRI SUKTA KANAKADHARA HOMAM



Sponsorship : \$126

Benefits: Wealth & Prosperity

### Program

09.00 am Sri Mahalakshmi Abhishekam  
10.00 am Sri Mahalakshmi Homam  
06.30 pm Sri Lakshmi Kumkum Puja  
Aarti & Prasadam

## Sravana Mangala Vratam dates

Aug 14th, 21th, 28rd, and Sep 4th.

Sponsorship of a puja is \$54. Priest will guide newly married girls on how to perform the puja.

## September 2nd - Sunday KRISHNA ASTAMI

10.30 am Sri Tulasi Brunda Homam  
6.00pm Special Krishna Puja



## LABOR DAY WEEKEND PROGRAM

Sept 1st - 3rd

Temple Timings 09.00 am -8.00pm

### Saturday, Sept 1st

09.00 am Sri Sai Rudra Abhishekam  
10.30 am Sri Sai Mahalakshmi Homam  
05.00 pm Sri Sai Mahalakshmi Kumkum Puja  
08.00 pm Jyoti Arati

### Sunday Sept 2nd - Bhanu Saptami & Krishna Astami

5.00 pm - 360 Jyothir Linga Archana

### Monday Sept 3rd - Sravana Somavara Abhishekam

**Sravana Sukravaram**  
**Sri Vara Mahalakshmi Vratam**  
**Friday Aug 24th, 2018**



**Significance & Story:** Goddess Vara Lakshmi is worshipped on a Friday before Sravana Poornima. Varalakshmi is one who grants boons (Varam). It is mostly performed by women all over India. Varalakshmi Vratam is performed by married woman for the well being of all the family members, especially husband, to get progeny etc. It is believed that worshipping Goddess Varalakshmi on this day is equivalent to worshipping Ashtalakshmi.

**Charumathi Devi Story:** In the kingdom of Magadha, there lived a Brahmin woman called Charumathi in a town named Kundina. The prosperous town was the home of Charumathi and her husband. Impressed by her devotion to her family, Goddess Maha Lakshmi appeared in her dream and asked her to worship her in the form of Vara Lakshmi (Vara means boon, Lakshmi - goddess of wealth) and seek to fulfill her wishes. Charumathi explained her dream to her family, and along with many other women she performed the pooja in a traditional way and prayed Goddess Vara lakshmi with deep devotion.

*“Padmaasane Padmakare sarva lokaika poojithe Narayana priyaedevi supreethaa bhava sarvada”*

Sumangalis (Married women) worship Goddess Lakshmi with utmost devotion offering sweets and flowers. Kalash (representing the deity) is invoked and decorated with a saree, flowers and gold jewellery with offerings placed in front. It is a tradition to buy gold on that day. This pooja can be done with no restriction to caste or creed. To this day many women observe this traditional festival praying Varamahalakshmi for her blessings in form of wealth and well being of their family. In our Temple every year we perform Varalakshmi Vratam with all our devotees. **This year Sravana Sukra Varam falls on Friday Aug 24th.**

**All are welcome.**

**Jyothi (Light) Renders Enlightenment**



**Spiritual :**

The lamp, the wick, and the oil, are essential to make the lamp burn bright. Take one away—there is dark turmoil! Have all in good trim—there is good light! You must know, your body is the lamp; your mind the oil; the tongue, the wick! So keep them and light with peace, joy and love of soul.

**Scientific:**

The first act in worship is to light the lamp. All communication (Radio, TV and Remote Control in space) and transmissions are being done in the spectrum of light waves. The Lamp covers the entire spectrum.

**The Lamp's effect is:**

Will destroy all sins. Light fills any amount of space. Destroys the ignorance & dawns the wisdom. **Cow ghee** light gives spiritual knowledge. **Sesame seed oil** light removes the adverse affects of Saturn & Uranus, brings harmony to family (couples). **Mustard seed oil** lights destroys the internal and external enemies. If you want these lights to be lit on your behalf please contact Temple to make arrangements.

Everyone can participate and reap the benefits of YAGNA-Health, Happiness, Progeny, Relief from Pretas (evil spirits), Courage, Success, Wealth and Calm Mind.

It's been a tradition to light a lamp in the Temple's Deepa Saala.

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## Sravana Sukravaram - Sri Vara Mahalakshmi Vratam

Friday August 24th, 2018

*Sarva mangala mangalye, Shive Sarvartha sadhake, Sranye  
thrayambike Devi, Sri Vara Mahalakshmi namosthutte*

**6.00 pm Sri Vara Maha Lakshmi Vratam**

**\$54 - Blessed blouse piece / \$108 - Blessed Saree as prasadam**

For cordial marital relationship

**Prasadam: Puja Kum Kum**

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**Rig /Yajur VedaUpakarma - Yagnopaveeta Dharana: Saturday Aug 25th, 2018**

**Free to all**

Yagnopavetham will be supplied by the temple. The temple will open at 9:00 am  
Come before 12:00pm to change Yagnopaveetam. Yagnopaveeta dharanam includes:

**Kanda Rishi Tarpanam; 21 times Gayatri Japam ; Yadha Sakthi Gayatri & Viraja Homam**  
8am - 12noon Nutana Yagnopaveeta/Dharanam || 10am - 12noon Sri Gayatri Homam & Poornahuthi  
*Yagnopaveetham paramam pavithram Prajapatheryasahajam purasthad*  
*Aayushyamagryam prathimuncha shubram Yagnopaveetham balamasthu thejah!!*

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**Annadanam (Narayana Seva):** \$54( ); \$108( ); \$252( ); \$504( ); \$1116( )

**GO (Cow) Rakshana & Daana(Grass)** \$54( ); \$108( ); \$252( ); \$504( ); \$1116( )

**Veda Patasala - Education fund** \$54( ); \$108( ); \$252( ); \$504 ; \$1116( )

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**SPONSORSHIP FORM - Jyothi (Light) Renders Enlightenment**

**SPONSORSHIP FOR JYOTHIS (LAMPS) - \$1.00/lamp - \$2.00/lamp for oil lamps.**

**Sponsored:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Date:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Donation:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Payment:** ( ) Chk#\_\_\_\_\_ ( )

**C.C.**\_\_\_\_\_ **Exp:**\_\_\_\_\_ **CVC:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Sig:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Gotram:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Name:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Address:**\_\_\_\_\_

**City:**\_\_\_\_\_ **State:**\_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Email:**\_\_\_\_\_

**Names**

**Birthstar (if known)**

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Sai Family Monthly Sponsorship form 2018 - 19**

**Support your 1<sup>st</sup> Shirdi Sai Baba Temple in USA**

Dear Devotees,

Sai Ram. There are many devotees that enjoy the benefits (monthly puja, auto donation, and inclusion in special pujas) of Monthly sponsorship. Please join them with a **monthly puja sponsorship** to support the Temple and become a part of the Sai Family. Your family names will be recited in the puja sponsored and Sai prasadam will be sent. **SPONSOR TODAY!** (Check box)

<u>Service - (times done in a month)</u>	<u>Monthly</u>	<u>Yearly</u>
<b>1st Thursday</b> in a month Archana (1)	\$11	\$132 ( )
<b>Weekly Thursday</b> Archana(4)	\$44	\$572 ( )
<b>1st Thursday</b> Sahasranama Archana(1)	\$21	\$231 ( )
<b>Weekly</b> Sahasranama Archana (4)	\$84	\$1008 ( )
<b>1st Thursday</b> Abhishekam (1)	\$54	\$648 ( )
Siva Archana (2)	\$36	\$432 ( )
360 Siva Linga Abhisekam (1)	\$54	\$648 ( )
<b>1st Thursday</b> Homam (1)	\$126	\$1512 ( )
Satyanarayana Vratam - full Moon(1)	\$54	\$648 ( )

### **Sponsorship for 1 year \$5,000 ( )**

INCLUDED IN THE FOLLOWING SERVICES - Sri Rudra Homa(every month), Sri Satyanarayana Pooja (Full moon days), Ekavara Rudra Abhishekam (Pradosha days), Sri Mahalakshmi Homam, Sri Lakshmi Ganapathy Yagnam.

### **Sai LIFE Sponsors \$10,000 ( )**

**Name(s) on the sanjevani Tree and family names included in daily Homam and Abhishekam!**

Name:\_\_\_\_\_Address:\_\_\_\_\_Gotram\_\_\_\_\_

City:\_\_\_\_\_ST:\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_Ph:\_\_\_\_\_E-mail:\_\_\_\_\_

NAMES :

STARS :

**Please accept my one time donation of \$\_\_\_\_\_Method of donation:** Check( ) Money Order ( )

CC:\_\_\_\_\_Exp:\_\_\_\_\_Cvs:\_\_\_\_\_Zip:\_\_\_\_\_

Signature:\_\_\_\_\_

**Make my donation Recurring with the** Credit Card Information above. I authorize to automatically bill the card listed as specified (circle one):

**Quarterly; Once Weekly; Twice/month; Monthly; Yearly**

Customer's signature : \_\_\_\_\_authorized Date:\_\_\_\_\_

Start on \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ End on: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ (Leave blank if no end date).