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Śrī Ganeśa Chaturthi
Nava-Dina Brahmotsavam
Friday, Sept. 7th thru Sunday, Sept. 16th, 2018



Śrī Chintāmani Vināyagar

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OM ŠRI GANEŠĀYA NAMA:

ॐ नमो व्रातपतये, नमो गणपतये, नमः प्रमथपतये, नमस्ते अस्तु लम्बोदराय,
एकदन्ताय, विघ्नविनाशिने, शिवसुताय, श्री वरदमूर्तये नमो नमः

*om namo vrātapatayé, namo ganapatayé, nama:
pramathapatayé, namasté astu lambodarāya,
ēkadantāya, vighna-vināśiné, śiva-sutāya, śree
varada-moortayé namo nama:|*

MEANING:

Salutations to the lord of all deities, "ganas" and "pramathas", salutations to the pot-bellied and one-tusked Lord, the destroyer of all obstacles, the son of Lord Śiva, the granter of boons. We bow to you.

ŠRI GANEŠA CHATURTHI NAVA DINA BRAHMOTSAVAM

It is believed that on *Ganeša Chaturthi* day, considered to be the most auspicious day for Lord *Ganeša*, if one were to pray to HIM sincerely, He would remove all our obstacles.

One of the main purposes of the *Chaturthi* nine day celebrations is to give an extra boost of divine energy/*śakti* to *Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati*. Activities like performance of rituals, chanting of *mantras* etc. infuse the Deity with divine *śakti*; and the more these are done, the more the Deity is charged with divine energy, which can be tapped by devotees as needed. Each *mantra* invokes the *śakti* of its related form, along with its related personalities and capacities. The vibrations created from the chanting of *mantras* bring about positive changes to both the chanter and the listener.

Keeping in mind the diverse ways in which people worship HIM, our wise sages have built in different rituals into our religion, thereby providing something of interest for everyone to participate in and connect with divine powers, which is the ultimate aim of all rituals. Whether one participates in the repetitive chanting of the *mantras* (*japa*), feasts his/her eyes on the holy bath (*abhishekam*) being offered or on the special decoration (*alankāram*) of the day, dances along with the *prākāra utsavam* or the chariot (*ratha yātra*), sings devotional songs (*bhajans*), serves fellow-devotees in numerous ways as opportunities present themselves in our Temple or just enjoys the melodious music of the *nāgaswaram*, all these different avenues lead us to the same goal - arresting the agitations of our mind and deriving serenity while focusing on Lord *Ganeša*.

Please come in large numbers and participate in any activity that interests you and enjoy your connection with Lord *Ganeša*.

**May Lord *Ganeša* shower His choicest blessings on you,
and your family and friends.**

HIGHLIGHTS



CHATUR LAKSHA MOOLA MANTRA
(400,000 TIMES) JAPAM - All 9 Days.



SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM - All 9 Days.



ŠRI SWARNA GOWRI VRATAM
Tuesday, September 11th, 2018



GANEŠA CHATURTHI DAY
(Panchamoorthy Prākāra Utsavam)
Wednesday, September 12th, 2018



DOLOTSAVAM (Oonjal Seva)
Wednesday, September 12th, 2018



GANAPATI POOJA BY CHILDREN
Saturday, September 15th, 2018



ŠRI SIDDHI-BUDDHI ŠRI MAHĀ VALLABHA
GANAPATI THIRU KALYĀNA UTSAVAM
Saturday, September 15th, 2018



CHATURĀVRITTI TARPANAM
Sunday, September 16th, 2018



GRAND RATHA YĀTRA
Sunday, September 16th, 2018



LIVE NĀGASWARAM - All 9 Days

NEXT GANEŠĀNJALI

DEVI NAVARĀTRI
DEEPĀVALI
SKANDA SHASHTI



ŚRĪ GANEŚA CHATURTHI NAVA-DINA BRAHMOTSAVAM

Friday, September 7th, 2018

7:30 am	Śrī Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Śrī Mahā Ganapati Homam.
9:00 am	Ganapati Abhishekam, Pooja.
10:15 am	Ganapati Anujna.
4:00 pm	Go (cow) Pooja.
5:00 pm	Anujna, Āchārya Ritvik Varanam, Vighneśwara Pooja, Punyāhavāchanam, Vāstu Śānti, Mrithsangrahanam, Ankurārpanam, Rakshā Bandhanam, Dhawaja Pata Pooja.

Saturday, September 8th, 2018

5:00 am	Śrī Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam, PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
5:30 am	Vighneśwara Pooja, Punyāhavachanam, DEVATA ĀHWĀNAM.
6:00 am	DHWAJA ĀROHANAM.
7:00 am	Śrī Mahā Vallabha Ganapati Pradhāna Kalaśa Sthāpanam, Yāgaśāla Pooja.
8:00 am	CHATUR LAKSHA ŚRĪ MAHĀ GANAPATI MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM BEGINS.
8:30 am	GANAPATI SWARNA RAJATHA ABHISHEKAM, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM.
12:15 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
5:30 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM, NAVA SANDHI, Ashta-Dikpālaka Bali Pooja.
6:00 pm	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Śrī Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

PLEASE NOTE:

See page 11 for **ALL SCHEDULED CHANGES** from
September 7th thru September 16th, 2018

Sunday, September 9th, 2018

7:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM , Pooja.
12:15 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

Monday, September 10th, 2018

7:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM , Pooja.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

Tuesday, September 11th, 2018

7:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM , Pooja.
10:00 am	ŠRI SWARNA GOWRI VRATAM, GOWRI SAHASRANĀMA, GOWRI ASHTOTTARAŠATANĀMA ARCHANA.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	108 Šankha Sthāpanam, GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

ŠRI GANEŠA CHATURTHI DAY

Wednesday, September 12th, 2018

7:00 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
7:30 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja.
8:00 am	108 Šankha Pooja, MAHĀ GANAPATI MĀLĀ MANTRA JAPAM, ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	GANAPATI SWARNA RAJATHA ABHISHEKAM, 108 Šankha Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM, Trišatināma Archana.
10:00 am	Mrithigai Ganapati Pooja, Chaturthi Vrata Katha.
12:15 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
4:00 pm	DOLOTSAVAM (OONJAL SEVA).
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM, MĀLĀ MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	MODAKA SAHASRANĀMA POOJA (1008 MODAKAS)
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
8:00 pm	PANCHAMOORTHY (ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI WITH SIDDHI-BUDDHI, ŠRI ŠIVA-PĀRVATI, ŠRI SHANMUKHA WITH VALLI DEVASENA, ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA WITH ŠRIDEVI, BHUDEVI AND ŠRI HANUMĀN)
	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:15 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

ANNADĀNAM



Annadānam is one of the best forms of “DĀNA or CHARITY”. By giving food to others, one is feeding none other than the Lord Himself and receives His blessings in bountiful measure.

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Thursday, September 13th - Friday, September 14th, 2018

7:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM , Pooja.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.

Saturday, September 15th, 2018

7:00 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam.
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM.
10:30 am	ŠRI SIDDHI-BUDDHI ŠRI MAHĀ VALLABHA GANAPATI THIRU KALYĀNA UTSAVAM.
12:15 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
12:30 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.
3:00 pm	GANAPATI POOJA BY CHILDREN - (1ST SESSION).
4:00 pm	GANAPATI POOJA BY CHILDREN - (2ND SESSION).
5:00 pm	Yāgaśāla Pooja, MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM.
6:00 pm	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA.
7:15 pm	Šri Mahā Ganapati Upachāra Pooja, Hārati.
7:45 pm	PRĀKĀRA UTSAVAM.
8:00 pm	Poornāhuti, Hārati.



ŠRI GANEŠA RATHA YĀTRA

Sunday, September 16th, 2018



7:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Suprabhātam
8:00 am	Yāgaśāla Pooja, ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM, HOMAM.
8:30 am	Šri Mahā Ganapati Abhishekam, SPECIAL ALANKĀRAM.
9:30 am	CHATURĀVRITTI TARPANAM.
11:15 am	Poornāhuti.
12:30 pm	RATHOTSAVAM (RATHA YĀTRA).
5:00 pm	Yāgaśālā Pooja, ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM/HOMAM CONCLUDES, MAHĀ POORNĀHUTI, Kalaśa Uttāpanam, PRADHĀNA KALAŚA ABHISHEKAM, DHWAJA AVAROHANAM, Pālika Visarjanam, Kummi-Kolāttam, Teerthavāri.
9:00 pm	Mahā Mangala Hārati, Prasādam.

NOTE: Sundays, September 9th & 16th, 2018

- Scheduled ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI ABHISHEKAM
will be at 8:30 AM instead of 11:00 AM
- Scheduled ŠRI DURGĀ ABHISHEKAM
will be at 8:30 AM instead of 4:30 PM

POOJA SPONSORSHIP

ॐ	ALL 9 DAYS (All Scheduled Poojas).....	\$ 1,501.00
	SINGLE DAY (Sept. 12 th or 16 th)	\$ 251.00
	OTHER DAYS	\$ 151.00
ॐ	MOOLA MANTRA JAPAM	
	ALL 9 DAYS	\$ 251.00
	ONE DAY	\$ 31.00
ॐ	ŠRI MAHĀ GANAPATI HOMAM	
	ALL 9 DAYS	\$ 251.00
	ONE DAY	\$ 31.00
ॐ	CONTRIBUTION TOWARDS ALANKĀRAMS	
	PER DAY(minimum).....	\$ 51.00
ॐ	GANAPATI SAHASRANĀMA POOJA	
	ALL 9 DAYS	\$ 101.00
	ONE DAY (except Sept. 12 th).....	\$ 12.00
ॐ	Modaka Sahasranāma Pooja -	
	(1008 Modakas - Sept. 12 th).....	\$ 31.00
ॐ	ABHISHEKAM	
	ALL 9 DAYS	\$ 401.00
	ONE DAY (except Sept. 12 th).....	\$ 51.00
	CHATURTHI DAY (Sept. 12 th).....	\$ 101.00
●	Dolotsavam	\$ 21.00
●	Special Modaka Archana (Sept. 8 th , 9 th , 12 th , 15 th , 16 th)	\$ 25.00
●	Swarna Gowri Vratam	\$ 31.00
●	Mrithigai Ganapati Pooja (Sept. 12 th).....	\$ 31.00
●	Swarna Rajatha Abhishekam (Sept. 8 th / 12 th)...	\$ 101.00
●	Ganapati Pooja by Children (Sept. 15 th).....	\$ 25.00
●	Siddhi Buddhi Ganapati Kalyāna Utsavam (Sept. 15 th)	\$ 31.00
●	Pushpa Alankaram Special Seva (Sept. 12 th)....	\$ 3,500.00
●	Rathotsavam - (Ratha Yātra).....	\$ 31.00
●	Contribution towards Annadānam (minimum)	\$ 101.00
●	Thomala Seva (per day).....	\$ 125.00



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SPECIAL ARCHANA.....\$31.00

(with Ganesha Idol)



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SCHEDULED CHANGES during Ganesh Chaturthi

On Friday, September 7th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI PĀRVATI ABHISHEKAM - 9:00 AM instead of 10:00 AM

ŠRI MAHA LAKSHMI ABHISHEKAM - 9:00 AM instead of 7:15 PM

Saturday, September 8th thru Sunday, September 16th, 2018 (on Sundays)

ŠRI GANAPATI ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM / 11:00 AM ←

On Saturday, September 8th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 5:15 AM instead of 8:00 AM

ŠRI VISHṆU SAHASRANĀMA - 7:30 AM instead of 8:30 AM

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 11:00 AM

ŠRI SUDARŚANA ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 6:00 PM

ŠRI NAVAGRAHA ABHISHEKAM - 7:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM

ŠRI RAGHAVENDRA ABHISHEKAM - 7:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM

ŠRI SUDARŚANA SAHASRANĀMA - 6:00 PM instead of 7:15 PM

ŠRI SANEEŠWARA SAHASRANĀMA - 6:00 PM instead of 7:15 PM

On Sunday, September 9th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:00 AM

ŠRI DURGA ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 4:30 PM

ŠRI BHAIKAVAR SAHASRANĀMA - 9:30 AM instead of 6:00 PM

On Monday, September 10th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI ŚIVA ABHISHEKAM - 5:00 PM instead of 7:15 PM

On Tuesday, September 11th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI KĀMĀKSHI ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 10:00 AM

ŠRI SHANMUKHA ABHISHEKAM - 5:00 PM instead of 7:15 PM

On Wednesday, September 12th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:15 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI SARASWATI ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 6:00 PM

MAHĀ GANAPATI UTSAVAR ABHISHEKAM - is Cancelled

On Thursday, September 13th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI DAKSHINĀMOORTHY ABHISHEKAM - 8:15 AM instead of 9:00 AM

On Friday, September 14th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:15 AM

ŠRI PĀRVATI ABHISHEKAM - 9:00 AM instead of 10:00 AM

ŠRI MAHA LAKSHMI ABHISHEKAM - 9:00 AM instead of 7:15 PM

ŠRI SUBRAMANYA HOMAM - 8:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM

followed by Abhishekam

On Saturday, September 15th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:15 AM instead of 8:00 AM

ŠRI VISHṆU SAHASRANĀMA - 7:45 AM instead of 8:30 AM

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 11:00 AM

ŠRI NAVAGRAHA ABHISHEKAM - 7:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM

ŠRI RAGHAVENDRA ABHISHEKAM - 7:30 AM instead of 9:00 AM

On Sunday, September 16th, 2018

ŠRI VENKATEŠWARA SUPRABHĀTAM - 7:45 AM instead of 8:00 AM

ŠRI DURGA ABHISHEKAM - 8:30 AM instead of 4:30 PM

TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO THE TEMPLE

By Automobile: (A) If you are driving **from Manhattan or points West**, take I-495 East (Long Island Expressway) to Exit 24 (Kissena Blvd) and turn **LEFT** at Kissena Blvd.

(B) If you are driving **from Long Island or points East**, take I-495 West (Long Island Expressway) to Exit 24 (Kissena Blvd) and turn **RIGHT** at Kissena Blvd.

Drive about a mile on Kissena Blvd and turn **RIGHT** into Holly Avenue. Drive 3 blocks on Holly Avenue to Bowne Street and turn left on Bowne Street for temple entrance on the right side or proceed straight on Holly Avenue for temple entrance on the left.

(C) If you are driving **from Connecticut or points North**, take I-95 South to I-678 South (Van Wyck Expressway). After crossing Whitestone Bridge, stay on I-678 South (**RIGHT** lane) and take Exit 15 to 20th Ave. At the traffic light, turn **LEFT** into Parsons Blvd and drive about 2.5 miles. At Flushing Hospital Medical Center (on **RIGHT**), turn **RIGHT** onto 45th Ave. and drive two blocks to Smart Street. At Smart Street, turn **LEFT** and drive to the end of the street to Temple Parking Lot behind the temple.

(D) If you are driving **from Princeton, Philadelphia or points South**, take I-278 via Staten Island and take Exit 35 to I-495 East (Long Island Expressway) and follow directions as above (A).

By Public Transportation: Take Subway **Train No. 7** from Times Square to Flushing Main Street (the last stop on 7 train). Then take MTA **Bus Q27** from Main Street to Bowne Street on Holly Avenue. The bus runs on Kissena Blvd and turns left into Holly Ave Bus Stop. The next stop is Bowne Street near the temple. The bus ride is about 5 to 10 minutes. You may also take MTA **Buses Q17, Q25 and Q34** to Kissena Blvd and Holly Avenue and walk two short blocks and turn left on Bowne Street for temple entrance on the right side or proceed straight on Holly Avenue for temple entrance on the left.

Long Island Rail Road (**LIRR**) Trains from Penn Station / Woodside to Port Washington also stop in Flushing Main Street, adjacent to 7 train.