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This well designed auditorium, which seats 670 comfortably, has a large stage, two dressing rooms with restrooms, and a spacious balcony. It is also equipped with a state-of-the-art audio and spectacular lighting systems including an on-site technical team to assist with all your technical needs.

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Community Center Manager at (718) 460-8484 ext. 125 or 126
Email: cc@nyganeshtemple.org
Dear Fellow Devotees,

Happy Holidays and best wishes for the New Year. The year 2019 marked another year of growth and progress and we proudly celebrated 42nd Anniversary on a grand scale.

_Ganesh Chaturthi_ Celebrations were once again grand with thousands of people participating in all the functions and especially the _Ratha Yatra_ on the last day. _Devi Navaratri_ and _Deepavali_ Celebrations were just as grand.

Several cultural programs were conducted in the last 6 months. Some of the highlights included ‘Dance Showcase’ presented by senior students of five dance teachers in the Auditorium. This was a grand and a successful program and funds raised were credited towards _Kumbhabhishekam_ 2020. Among a few others included celebrations of ‘Swami Vivekananda’s Legacy, Life and Influence’ on August 11th, 2019. _Devi Navaratri_ celebrations with _Ras Garba_ on October 4th thru October 6th, 2019, _Deepavali_ celebrations for the _Patastha_ students in the Senior Center on October 19th and the celebrations at the Queens Museum on October 26th, and Anniversary celebrations of the Senior Program on October 12th with variety entertainment. All these celebrations were grand and very well participated. Annual Health Fair was conducted on July 14th and Mini Health Fair was organized on November 10th, 2019.

_Temple_ participated in several interfaith programs including; Interfaith vigils, prayer services honoring victims of tragic terror attacks, and NYC Dept. of Health & Mental Hygiene - Office of the Faith Based Initiative and Borough of Queens Interfaith Advisory Group meeting and many more.

Youth group remained active and had several activities including Elocution Competition for students 1st to 12th grade, STEM Fair, Walkathon and Summer Day Camp - with the theme ‘Hindu Heritage’ conducted by Dr. MG Prasad for one week for the _Patastha_ students from July 22nd - July 26th and was successful. For the 16th time in succession since 2003, our Temple participated in the annual OpenHouse NY (OHNY) weekend - statewide on October 19th & 20th, which attracted a record number of visitors to the Temple on both the days.

I take this opportunity to make a humble appeal to all the devotees in seeking generous donations to various impending Temple Projects: 1) Construction of Staff Quarters 2) Repairs & renovation of the Temple in preparation for _Jeeranodharam (Kumbhabhishekam)_ (5th re-consecration) of all main Deities in 2020, and 3) Endowment Fund. Devotees may donate online by visiting the Temple website at https://nyganeshtemple.org

We thank all the groups of volunteers for their dedicated & sterling services. We also wish to thank our excellent staff for their devoted services. We appeal to all the devotees to volunteer their time and talents and serve _Sri Mahaa Vallabha Ganapati._

I wish to express my thanks to all of you for your support and friendship and appeal to you for your continued help and support for this noble cause. We welcome your suggestions for improvement which will be carefully considered and implemented wherever possible. May the blessings of _Sri Mahaa Vallabha Ganapati_ be always with you and your families.

Sincerely,

Dr. Uma Mysorekar
President
ANUBHAVA 2019: Hinduism- The Next 50 Years
Written By: Akshayam

Anubhava, an annual conference for Hindu Young Professionals, took place on April 27, 2019 with a focus on discussing how Hinduism is set to evolve in the next fifty years. It was an interaction that was coordinated by Akshayam, the Young Professionals Team of The Hindu Temple Society of North America, in an effort to bring together the next generation of Hindu thinkers, leaders, advocates, and volunteers, and offer them a platform to present their thoughts. As with any religion, ours is one that also needs to adapt with the times. This does not suggest a dilution of age-old practices and values but rather, an adaptation to preserve the discovered treasures of our Sanatana Dharma and ensure they remain polished for generations to come. We must make certain that young Hindus will not only accept these traditions but also, preserve, promote and defend them. One must realize that blind faith is not sustainable and accept that to preserve a tradition one must embark on the journey of understanding the significance behind the practices of one’s faith. If one truly understands the great benefit that he will receive by following the tenets of our Dharma, he will never look back again. But to get to that stage, he must question and seek answers that provide meaning to him. No two pages of the Gita are alike yet they share the same message. It is all about the delivery. If we accept this truth and not fight the reality that things must change in order to sustain, we will succeed in preserving Hinduism for many generations to come. That is the goal of Anubhava.

The conference started with presentations on temple architecture, the importance of kathas, or story-telling, and challenges facing young Hindus of the West. Such challenges include finding time to attend long rituals during a busy work/study schedule, learning the language to understand the practices, finding one’s identity at the crossroads of tradition and modernity, separating culture and religion, etc. Attendees then discussed solutions and ways in which Hinduism can possibly adapt to accommodate future generations. Increased presence of temple teachers who can explain ritualistic practices and their significance either before or after the ceremony is conducted could raise awareness of why such traditions exist. Furthermore, the enormous amount of flexibility and freedom that our Sanatana Dharma offers was presented. We are not bound by many of the rules and regulations that other religious folk must follow. Young Hindus have a unique access to an ancient tradition that has sustained for centuries and has existed beyond the traditional boundaries of “religion” to include arts, sciences, architecture, emotion, and free thought and expression.

The conference concluded with discussions on appropriate response to violence as a young religious community, redefining secularism, and challenges facing young faith leaders and appropriate action items. In order to learn more about initiatives such as Anubhava, other ways to volunteer at the Temple, and learn more about your faith, please contact Akshayam at akshayam@nyganeshtemple.org.
AKSHAYAM

HTS YOUNG PROFFESIONALS

VOLUNTEER, LEAD, LEARN

Based at The Hindu Temple Society of North America, NY, Akshayam is an active community of Hindu young professionals ages 18-35 looking to give back to the Temple and the local community. Get involved today.

For more information contact: akshayam@nyganeshtemple.org
### SENIOR ACTIVITIES

**TUESDAY**
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Yoga / Meditation
- 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM: Coffee Break
- 11:30 AM - 1:00 PM: Bhagavad Gita study in Hindi/
  Sundara Khanda Parayanam
- 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM: Lunch

**WEDNESDAY**
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Yoga / Meditation
- 11:15 AM - 12:15 PM: Bhaajans
- 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM: Lunch
- 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM*: Discussions on ‘Religion & Spirituality’
  or Chanting Class
- 1:45 PM - 2:15 PM: Spoken Sanskrit

**THURSDAY**
- 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM: Yoga / Meditation

  *Periodic chanting class by Temple priest and
  Periodic discussions by Sri Ravi Vaidyanath Shivachariar

**ALL ARE WELCOME TO PARTICIPATE**

Please note: schedules are subject to change - please contact the Temple
directly at (718) 460-8484 or visit us online: nyganeshtemple.org/seniors

Note: If you are interested in participating in activities and/or able to
lead any group activity, please contact the Coordinators of
the Senior Program - Radhika Mohan (646) 420-6216,
Lakshmi Sundararaman (718) 279-3950
or Usha Shah (347) 749-4543

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### YOUTH GROUP
of Ganeśa Temple (YGGT)
(AGES 12 to 19)

**YOUTH MEETINGS**
2nd SATURDAY OF EVERY MONTH
AT 4:45 PM

**FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL:**
outreach@nyganeshtemple.org

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### YOGA CLASSES

**EVERY SUNDAY - 8:30 AM**
**FEE: $10.00 PER CLASS**

FOLLOWED BY

### PRÂNÂYÄMA & MEDITATION CLASSES

**EVERY SUNDAY - 9:30 AM**
**FEE: $5.00 PER CLASS**

by: Mr. Sanjay Attada
(Disciple of Late Swamy Bua)

**LOCATION:** Saraswati Hall

For Further Information Please contact the
Temple (718) 460-8484 Ext.112

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### VEDA & DIVYA PRABHANDA CLASSES

Divya Prabhanda - Tuesdays at 8:00 PM
Veda - Thursdays at 7:30 PM

Location: Temple Basement
Instructed by the Temple Priests

**ALL ARE INVITED TO LEARN**

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*Our profound thanks to our enthusiastic volunteers for their dedicated services. It is our fond hope that this group will continue to grow and contribute toward fulfillment of the aspirations of the Temple.*
EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF GANEŠA PATAŠĀLA

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COMPUTER SCIENCE (Grades 4 - 12) - For inquiries visit - http://nyganeshtemple.org/pcig

For Further Information Please contact the Temple at (718) 460-8484 ext. 112 or email: patasala@nyganeshtemple.org

FINE ARTS ACTIVITIES

DANCE CLASSES

BHARATANATYAM - 11:30 am to 12:30 pm (NEW STUDENT BEGINNERS)
1:00 pm to 2:00 pm (RETURNING STUDENT BEGINNERS) • 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm (INTERMEDIATE)
3:00 pm to 4:00 pm (ADVANCED) • 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm (SENIOR STUDENTS)
Tuition: $450.00 FOR THE ENTIRE SCHOLASTIC YEAR (SEPT-JUNE). PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN FULL.

KATHAK - 9:00 am to 10:00 am (BEGINNERS) • 10:00 am to 11:00 am (INTERMEDIATE)
11:00 am to 12:00 noon (ADVANCED)
Tuition: $60.00 PER MONTH OR $600.00 FOR THE ENTIRE YEAR (SEPTEMBER - JUNE).

VOCAL MUSIC CLASS - 1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Tuition: $450.00 for the entire scholastic year: (Sept-June).

VEENA CLASS - 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
Tuition: $450.00 for the entire scholastic year: (Sept-June).

Every Saturday
LOCATION: FOR DANCE CLASSES - TEMPLE BASEMENT
FOR VOCAL & VEENA CLASSES - MUSIC ROOM (NEXT TO SRI RAGHAVENDRA SANNIDHI)

For Information Please Contact the Temple at (718) 460-8484 ext. 112 or email: hts@nyganeshtemple.org
Bharatanatyam Teacher - Mrs. Mathy Pillai (609) 321-2136
Kathak Teacher - Pandit SN Charka (845) 783-7514 or (646) 489-7790
Vocal Music Teacher - Mrs. Rajalakshmi Sankar (979) 777-6468
Veena Teacher - Mrs. Nivedita Shivraj (212) 203-3555
**PROGRAMS & FESTIVITIES**

*Śrī Saraswati Mahā Yajnam*
Friday, May 24th - Monday, May 27th, 2019

*Śrī Venkateśwara Mahotsavam*
Friday, June 14th - Sunday, June 23rd, 2019

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Friday, June 14th - Sunday, June 23rd, 2019

*Śrī Vara Mahā Lakshmi Vratam*
Friday, August 9th, 2019

*42nd Anniversary of the Temple*
Tuesday, July 2nd thru Thursday, July 4th, 2019

*Śrī Sudarśana Yajnam*
Friday, July 26th thru Sunday, July 28th, 2019
PROGRAMS & FESTIVITIES

Śri Rāghavendra Swāmy Ārādhana
Saturday, August 17th, 2019

Śri Krishna Janmāśhtami
Friday, August 23rd, 2019

Śri Ganeśa Chaturthi Nava - Dina Brahmotsavam
Friday, August 30th thru Sunday, September 8th, 2019

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Friday, August 30th thru Sunday, September 8th, 2019
PROGRAMS & FESTIVITIES

Šri Devi Nava Rātri Mahotsavam
Sunday, September 29th thru Monday, October 7th, 2019

Deepāvali Celebrations
Friday, October 25th thru Sunday, October 27th, 2019

Šri Govardhan Annakut Utsavam
Monday, October 28th, 2019

Skanda Shashti Mahotsavam
Monday, October 8th thru Sunday, November 3rd, 2019
Kumbhābhishekam (consecration) is a ritualistic process through which the vital energies are infused into a deity which becomes divine in this process. Manifestation of the supreme god is devoutly invoked. The rituals are intended to secure divine presence in the deity at the sanctum sanctorum. As per Āgama śāstra, which is the source text for general frame work of religious and philosophical aspects of temple structure, installation of icon/deity, worship, ceremony and rituals, a temple has to perform consecration ceremony for various reasons. As per the renovation rule (Jeernoddhārana Punarāvardhana) of Āgama, re-consecration should be done once in every 12 years or whenever any structural modifications or expansions or any major repair work due to natural wear and tear or natural calamities are carried out.

The Hindu Temple Society of North America had its first Kumbhābhishekam performed on July 4, 1977. Subsequently second, third and fourth consecrations were performed in 1988, 2009 & 2011 as per the guidelines of Āgama śāstra. It is now time for the temple to carry out the fifth Kumbhābhishekam which is scheduled for June 24 - July 2, 2020. Renovation is going on. New dwajasthamba, decorations to parivāra sannidhis & repairs to Gopurams are being carried out and hence the need for the ensuing Kumbhābhishekam - rejuvenation.

Elaborate arrangements are being made to perform the consecration strictly as per the Agama śāstra, with the help of our temple priests and other priests available locally and from India. The ritual of consecration confers renewed energy at once spiritual and occult on the deities, so that when a devotee worships, he or she partakes this energy.

According to Ajitāgama, Prati bimbastitam mantram, pratishteti prakeertitam meaning every object of worship gets naturally glorified and energized with the mantras chanted during consecration. The rituals are meant to secure a divine presence in the deities and to maintain the sanctity of the shrines. The presence of cosmic energy increases many fold during the performance of Kumbhābhishekam. Worshipping the re-energized, fully manifested form of all-pervading supreme being would bestow on the devotees fulfillment of their desires.

The ritual would commence a week ahead of the Kumbhābhishekam ceremony. Rituals include installation of wooden pillar marking the beginning, seeking divine permission, sowing grains on the soil (mother earth), protective band for priest and temple chief, arranging vessels with sacred water, sacramental rituals and fire worship, applying adhesive ingredients of eight herbs, invoking of supreme God into the icons and transforming them into effective objects of worship culminating in divine wedding in commemoration of the completion of the consecration. The rituals end with Mandala Pooja.

Temple cordially invites all to participate and involve themselves in various activities, do seva by servicing, volunteering, donating & sponsoring and thus become recipients of the blessings of Śri Mahā Vallabha Ganapati and other deities.

Visit us online at https://nyganeshtemple.org/k2020 for frequent updates all the way to Mahā Kumbhābhishekam 2020
OUTREACH & CULTURAL

Kathak Dance - student showcase  
Saturday, June 8th, 2019

Music Concert -  
Śri Venkaṭeśvara Mahotsavam Celebrations  
Saturday, June 15th, 2019

2019 Walkathon - Youth Group  
Saturday, June 29th, 2019

International Yoga Day  
Sunday, July 7th, 2019

Health Fair  
Sunday, July 14th, 2019

Dance Showcase -  
42nd Anniversary of the Temple Celebrations  
Sunday, July 21st, 2019
OUTREACH & CULTURAL

Anniversary Celebrations of Senior Program
Saturday, October 12th, 2019

Breast Cancer Walk - Flushing Meadow Park
Sunday, October 20th, 2019

Deepāvali Celebrations - Queens Museum
Saturday, October 26th, 2019

Learning Series 2019

Mini Health Fair
Sunday, November 10th, 2019
CANTEEN & CATERING SERVICES
of The Hindu Temple Society of NA
143-09 Holly Ave. Flushing, NY 11355

Welcome to Temple Canteen
South Indian Food & Deserts

Please visit the Temple
Canteen's website:
canteen.nyganeshemple.org
email: canteen@nyganeshemple.org

Tel: (718) 460-8493 or
(718) 460-8484 ext.123

OPEN DAILY - 8:30 am to 9:00 pm

Freshly prepared food items {like Idli, Vada, all kinds of Dosas, Uttapam, Upma, Tamarind Rice, Yogurt Rice, Laddus, Mysorepak, Jangri & many other sweets} are usually available daily. Special items (like Puri/Chole, Bonda, Dal Vada, Dahi Vada, Thali Meals etc.) are prepared during weekends and certain holidays.

Catering services are also available with numerous vegetarian dishes for private parties, such as birthday celebrations, upanayanams, weddings, anniversaries, etc. Minimum order - 25 persons. The facility provides all accessories including Wedding Mantapam, Garlands, Thāmbulam Bags etc. and can also deliver the order within the NY/NJ/CT tri-state region whenever possible.

Wedding Services
at The Hindu Temple Society of NA
143-09 Holly Ave. Flushing, NY 11355

Services
Mantapams
Stages
Table Arrangements
Flower Arrangements
Candles and more...

*Additional items Available Upon Request

Items
Wedding Garlands
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Wedding Decorations
Balloons Decorations
Thambula Bags
Nagaswaram
Seer Bakshanam
Paruppu Thengai

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Receptions
Birthdays
Upanayanams
Arangements

For Further Information please call (718) 460-8493 or
Wedding/Event Coordinator Jaya Sivamurthy (347) 532-2484 or (718) 460-8484 ext. 119
or email: events@nyganeshemple.org
**Daily Services at the Temple**

8:00 am Mahã Ganapati Suprabhåtam*
   Usha Kåla Pooja
8:15 am Šiva Abhishekam
8:15 am Venkateswara Suprabhåtam§ / Mahã Ganapati Homam
9:00 am Mahã Ganapati Abhishekam*
9:00 am & 5:00 pm Veda Pârãyanam
7:00 pm Sarva Devata Hårati
*Weekends at 7:30 am / §8:00 am • Sundays at §11:00 am

**Weekly Services at the Temple**

**Monday**
7:15 pm Šiva Abhishekam

**Tuesday**
8:15 am Hanumãn Abhishekam
9:00 am Nãgendra Abhishekam
10:00 am Kåmåkshi Abhishekam
5:30 pm Hanumãn Sahasranåma Pooja
6:00 pm Hanumãn Chalisã Pârãyanam
7:15 pm Shanmukha Abhishekam

**Wednesday**
6:00 pm Saraswati Abhishekam
7:15 pm Saraswati Sahasranåma Archana

**Thursday**
8:30 am Råghavendra Swåmy Abhishekam
9:00 am Dakshinåmoorthy Abhishekam
6:00 pm Dakshinåmoorthy Rudra Trišati Nåma Archana
6:00 pm Råghavendra Swåmy Sahasranåma Pooja
7:15 pm Råghavendra Swåmy Guru Påduka Pooja
7:15 pm Gayatri Japam

**Friday**
10:00 am Pårvati Abhishekam, Lalita Sahasranåma Pârãyanam
10:30 am Mahã Lakshmi Sahasranåma Archana
7:15 pm Mahã Lakshmi Abhishekam, Mahã Lakshmi Stothram

**Saturday**
8:30 am Vishnu Sahasranåma Pârãyanam
9:00 am Råghavendra Swåmy Abhishekam
9:00 am Navagraha Abhishekam
11:00 am Venkateśwara Abhishekam
6:00 pm Venkateśwara Sahasranåma Pooja

**Sunday**
11:00 am Mahã Ganapati Abhishekam
4:30 pm Durga Abhishekam, Durga Sahasranåma Archana
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**SUGGESTED HOMAMS / POOJAS FOR PARIHARA,**

**GENERAL WELFARE & DURING OTHER AUSPICIOUS EVENTS**

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Scheduled Services at the Temple

First & Third Tuesday of every month at 9:30 am
- Sundara Kãnda Pãrãyanam

First Thursday of every month at 9:00 am
- Guru Homam

First Thursday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Gayatri Abhishekam

First Saturday of every month at 8:00 am
- Navagraha Homam

First Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Ayyappa Abhishekam, Pooja & Bhajans

Second Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Sudarśana Abhishekam

Second Saturday of every month at 7:15 pm
- Sudarśana Sahasranãma Pooja

Second Saturday of every month at 7:15 pm
- Saneeśwara Sahasranãma Pooja

Third Saturday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Dhanvantari & Garuda Abhishekam

Third Saturday of every month at 7:15 pm
- Ayyappa Sahasranãma Pooja

First Sunday of every month at 9:00 am
- Soorya Namaskaram

First Sunday of every month at 3:00 pm
- Devi Khodiyãr Mātã Pooja

On Poornima at 9:00 am (on Sundays at 11:00 am)
- Agastya & Lopãmudra Abhishekam

On Poornima at 9:00 am (when falls on Friday ONLY)
- Māha Lakshmi Homam

On Poornima at 10:00 am
- Kāmākshi Abhishekam (moolavar & utsavar), Sahasranãma Pooja

On Poornima at 6:00 pm
- Mahã Meru Navãvarana Pooja
- Satyanārãyana Abhishekam

On Poornima at 7:15 pm
- Satyanārãyana Pooja

On Pradosham*
- Śiva & Nandikeśwara Abhishekam

(*please refer to the Temple website/facebook or contact the Temple directly for exact pradosha kāla abhishekam timings)

On Krittika at 9:00 am
- Shanmukha Sahasranãma Pooja

On Krittika at 7:15 pm
- Shanmukha Abhishekam

On Śukla Shashti at 9:00 am (on Tuesdays at 6:00 pm)
- Subrahmanya Homam

On Šukla Shashti at 10:30 am (on Tuesdays at 7:15 pm)
- Subrahmanya Abhishekam

On Krittika & Šukla Shashti (when both fall on same day)
- 9:00 AM Shanmukha Sahasranãma Pooja
- 6:00 PM Subrahmanya Homam
- 7:15 PM Shanmukha Abhishekam

On Šukla Chaturthi at 7:15 pm
- Mahã Ganapati Abhishekam (utsavar)

On Krúshna (Sankata Hara) Chaturthi at 7:15 pm
- Mahã Ganapati Abhishekam, *Sahasranãma Pooja (*after morning Abhishekam & if falls on Sunday at 6:00 pm)

On Punnarvasu Nakshatra at 9:00 am
- Rāma Abhishekam, Sahasranãma Pooja

On Rohini Nakshatra at 9:00 am
- Krúshna Abhishekam, Sahasranãma Pooja

On Ardra Nakshatra at 6:00 pm
- Śíva Sahasranãma Pooja

On Śravana Nakshatra at 9:00 am
- Dhanvantari Sahasranãma Pooja

On Amavasya at 6:00 pm
- Bhairava Sahasranãma Pooja

On Krishna Ashtami at 7:15 pm
- Bhairava Abhishekam

On Moola Nakshatra at 9:00 am
- Hanumãn Abhishekam

UTSAVAR ABHISHEKAMS

First Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Śiva-Parvati Utsavar Abhishekam

Second Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Shanmukha Utsavar Abhishekam

Third Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Venkateśwara Utsavar Abhishekam

Fourth Sunday of every month at 6:00 pm
- Maha Lakshmi Utsavar Abhishekam
Combined Tariff - Religious Services & Drayas

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(I) *On Saturdays & Sundays only at 1:00 pm
(II) **On Saturdays & Sundays only at 4:00 pm
(III) †Priests will perform this auspicious religious service at the homes of devotees bringing with them pancha loha vigrahas. Service must be booked one week in advance.
(IV) All services (except Archana & Hārati) must be scheduled at least one week in advance.
(V) Services on scheduled days should also be booked at least ½ hour prior to commencement of service.
(VI) An additional charge of $51 will be levied for:
   a) ***Outside (above 25 miles)
   b) Overnight Stay of priests(s)
(VII) For additional service(s) charges please contact the Temple.
(VIII) Sponsors are responsible for providing transportation to assigned priests(s). Otherwise an additional charge will apply.
IX) Vahana (Vehicle) Pooja: This service is not done during cold, winter, snow or rain. Alternatively, devotees may have their keys of the new vehicle blessed by performing an Ashottottara Archana.

All the above mentioned tariffs are subject to change.

Special Sponsorship

1. *ONE-DAY Sarva Devata (All Deities) Abhishekam***
   Weekday: $2,501.00
   Weekend/Holidays: $3,001.00
2. *FULL DAY Sponsor of ALL events in the Temple:
   Weekday: $501.00
   Weekend/Holidays: $1,001.00
3. Šankha (Conch) Abhishekam with Homam
   (Excluding Food Prasādam)
   108 Šankhas
   54 Šankhas
   27 Šankhas
   $ 301.00
   $ 201.00
   $ 151.00
4. Satyanārāyaṇa Pooja or Mahā Meru Navāvarana Pooja for WHOLE YEAR
   (performed on Poornima days): $372.00
5. ONE_DAY Sarva Devata (All Deities) Archānās**
   Weekday: $125.00
   Weekend/Holidays: $175.00
6. Sarva Devata Homam
   Weekday: $351.00
   Weekend/Holidays: $501.00

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Samskāras:

| Nāma Karanam           | Seemantham |
|                       | Šhasthti Abda Poorthi and śāthābhīshēkam |
| Pūnāyāhāvāchanam      | Griha Ārāmbham |
| Annapraśanam          | Griha Praveśam |
| Vidyā-Ārāmbham        | Upanayanam |
| Hair Offering          | Hīranya Śrāddham / Pitru Tārpanam |

Special POOJAS for Deities:

| Śri Šatyanārāyaṇa Pooja  | Śri Guru Pāduka Pooja |
| Śree Mahā Meru           | Kālyāna Utsavam |
| Navāvarana Pooja        | Navagraha Şānti |
| Vadda Malā (24) Archana  |      |

OTHER POOJAS / SERVICES:

| New Business            | Veda Pārāyanam |
| Travel                 | Sundara Khānda |
| New Vehicle            | Pārāyanam |
| New House              |       |

Prasādam will be mailed to absentee sponsors.
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 into 45th Ave and drive two blocks and turn left on 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.

LIST OF HOTELS IN THE VICINITY:

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Visit Our Temple Gift Shop

It offers a wide variety of items such as Pictures of Deities idols, Pendants, Coins, Veda and prayer books, Amarchitra Katha (Comic books for Children) Tulsi & Rudrãksha Mālãs, Vibhooti, Chandana, Kumkuma, Tapes of Temple Celebrations, Audio of Special Bhajans, Kirtans and Slokas/Mantras/ Pooja Vidhana, CD’s, DVD’s and many more items!!!

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