



# आराधना

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Jagannath Rath Yatra  
Shravan Somavar Shiv Abhishek  
Murugan Ther Festival  
Guru Purnima 108 Satyanarayan Puja



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## The Hindu Society of Greater Cincinnati

# TEMPLE IS NOW OPENED

since 6/7/2021

## FULL SERVICES ARE OFFERED

### REGULAR HOURS

Monday - Friday  
9:00 am - 12:45 pm  
5:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Saturday - Sunday  
9:00 am - 8:00pm

Masks and social distancing are mandatory!!  
Flowers, Fruits and prasad are now permitted.

### HSGC GENERAL BODY MEETING

Sunday, 11 July 2021 at 12:00 noon

#### AGENDA

- President's report
- Open discussions & Q&A

All HSGC Members are requested to kindly participate in this meeting and bring their questions/ concerns/ suggestions to this meeting.

**Contact:** Asit Saha 513-702-1050  
President, HSGC

**EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2021**

<b>President:</b>	Asit Saha absaha09@gmail.com	513-702-1050
<b>Vice President:</b>	Rajesh Padmanabhan rajeshspadmanabhan@gmail.com	513-226-4279
<b>Secretary:</b>	Anand Konda anand.konda@gmail.com	732-423-1539
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Ramesh Sondhi ramesh.sondhi47@gmail.com	513-218-3609

**COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS**

<b>Puja Committee:</b>	Madhu Sharma madhu2019sharma@gmail.com	513-807-5081
<b>Communications:</b>	Kirti Parikh hsgc.aradhana@gmail.com	859-468-0139
<b>Membership/ Fundraising:</b>	Rani Dhamija shivrani07@gmail.com	513-324-0606
<b>Prop. Management:</b>	Mitesh Patel Miteshpatel86@live.com	513-349-5862
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<b>Religious Education: &amp; Youth activities:</b>	N Ganesh Yadlapalli ngy51@hotmail.com	857-719-1500
<b>Long Range Planning:</b>	Laxmi Srivastava laxmi_srivastava@yahoo.com	513-378-5476

**PRIESTS**

<b>Chief</b>	Acharya Kailash Sharma acharyaksharma@yahoo.com	513-652-5382
<b>Priest:</b>	Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma acharyachakreshwar@yahoo.com	513-376-2982
<b>Priest:</b>	Pundit Srinath Bhattar bhattarsrinath@yahoo.com	513-488-2986
<b>Priest:</b>	Pundit Muthu Meenakshi Shivachariar sundarammuthumeenakshi@gmail.com	513-237-0214

**RELIGIOUS COUNSELOR**

Koti Sreekrishna 513-290-3064 tatachar@aol.com

**FAMILY SUPPORT COUNSELOR incl. LAST RITES**

Khush Karamchandani 513-259-4016 karamch@aol.com

**Co-Chairs of Committees**

<b>Long Range Cmte:</b>	Indra Murthy	513-884-8756
<b>Treasurer Comte:</b>	Amar Sharma	513-777-5771
<b>Property/ Mgmt Comte:</b>	Kamlesh Singh	513-206-5848

**TEMPLE SCHEDULE**

**Monday-Friday:** 9 AM -12.45 PM and 5 PM -8 PM

**Saturday :** 9 AM – 8 PM

**Sunday:** 9 AM - 8 PM

**Major Hindu Holidays** 9 AM – 8 PM

(Maha Shivratri, Krishna Janamashtmi, Ganesh Chaturthi, Deepawali and similar)

**2021 Puja Committee & Religious Activities Members**

Madhu Sharma(Chair)	513-807-5081
Kiran Dayal (In-charge: Temple Events)	513-474-4051
Meena Sondhi (In-charge: Scheduling Private Puja)	513-290-7541
Acharya Kailash Sharma	513-770-0705
Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma	513-376-2982
Pandit Srinath Bhattar	513-528-3714
Pundit Muthu Meenakshi Shivachariar	513-237-0214
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Sangita Patel	513-791-0855
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Jaya Selvakumar	513-779-5298
Padmaja Patkar	513-847-1918
Vasundhara Dasari	513-777-3353
Suchitra Mishra	513-573-9775
Rajan Odavar	513-336-6843
Vilas Patel	513-226-2154
Purabi Dey	513-688-1721
Triveni Dave	859-371-9645
Latha M. Gowda	513-891-4184
Saravanan Sakthivel	513-376-3050

**Temple Manager's Committees**

<b>Manager:</b>	Laxmi Srivastava	513-474-0144
<b>CFO:</b>	Raj Bodalia	513-504-6328
<b>Legal Advisor</b>	Pavan Parikh	
<b>Office Manager:</b>	Mohan Chopra	
<b>Swami Lectures:</b>	Meena Mehta, Koti Srikrishna, Ganesh Yadlapalli	
<b>Adult Education:</b>	Meena Mehta, Ganesh Yadalappalli, Koti Sreekrishna	
<b>Temple Database:</b>	Nandkumar Khemchandani, Raj Badolia, Greg Smith	
<b>Community Relations:</b>	Meena Mehta	
<b>E-Mail Data:</b>	Greg Smith, Nandkumar Khemchandani	
<b>Gift Shop:</b>	Meena Sondhi, Vina Bajaj	
<b>Security:</b>	Greg Smith, Kailash Sharma	
<b>(Dial One)</b>	Pinakin Bhakta	
<b>Financial Data:</b>	Nand Kumar Khemchandani, Raj Bodalia, Laxmi Srivastava	
<b>Project Manager:</b>	Vithal Nemade	
<b>Temple Website:</b>	Bharat Vala, Greg Smith,	
<b>Temple:</b>	Meena Mehta, Ashvin Mehta,	
<b>Calendar:</b>	Acharya Kailash Sharma	
<b>Volunteer</b>	Mohan Chopra, Rajan Odayar,	
<b>Services:</b>	Kedarnath Nambori Vijay Sharma	
<b>Temple -</b>	Greg Smith, Naba Mishra,	
<b>Photographer:</b>	V G Ramaswamy	
<b>Mela Committee:</b>	Asit Saha, Kartik, Deepak Dixit, Pinakin Bhakta, Raneshwar Gupta, Jyoti Desai, Amar Sharma, Raj Bodalia	
<b>Ramleela Cmte:</b>	Kamlesh Singh	

**SPECIAL PROGRAMS ON WEEKENDS**

9.15 - 9.30 AM	Suprabhatam
9.30 - 11.00 AM	Daily Puja of Temple Dieties
11.00-11.30 AM	Sponsored Puja
11.30-12.15 PM	Bhajans
12.15-12.45 PM	Religious Discourse
12.45-1.00 PM	Birthdays, Anniversary Puja & Announcements
1.00 PM	Aarti & Prasad

# PUJA INFORMATION

## RATES FOR PUJA & PRIEST SERVICES

SERVICES	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	—
Aksharabhyas	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashta Prakari Puja (Mahavir)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$ 11.00	—
Ayushya Homam/B'day Celeb.	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesh (House Warming)	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesh w/Satya Narayan Puja	—	\$201.00
Kalayana Uthsava	\$151.00	\$201.00
Kesh Khandan/Mundan/Churakrn	\$101.00	\$151.00
Naam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kainkaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	---
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)		
(Only During Off Winter Season)	\$101.00	---
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$ 51.00	---
Sathyanarayana Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Sathyanarayan Puja w/Havan	\$131.00	\$201.00
Seemantham (Baby Shower)	\$151.00	\$201.00
Mata Ki Chauki**	\$251.00	\$301.00**
Akhand Ramayan Paath	\$251.00	\$501.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day)	\$201.00	\$251.00
Anniversary celebration	\$151.00	\$201.00
Suprabhat Seva	\$ 21.00	---
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$ 31.00	---
Upakarma (Thread changing)	\$ 51.00	---
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/ Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
Sunderkand Path	\$101.00	\$151.00
Vahan Puja	\$ 51.00	----
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Wedding (\$ 251.00 Advance Deposit required)	\$301.00	\$501.00
Funeral (Last Rites)		\$ 201.00

### Priest Dakshina

The rates for Puja and Priest services **DO NOT** include Priest Dakshina. Sponsors (devotees) are encouraged to provide Priest Dakshina of their own volition and satisfaction. The dakshina goes directly to the Priest. A reimbursement of travel expenses for the Priest during outside puja is required at 0.50 cents/mile.

\*\* Rates of Mata Ki Chauki performed at another temple will be 50% of the money collected at the temple or a minimum of \$701.00.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates of Pujas not listed above and requiring less than four hours of priest's time will normally be \$ 101.00 (inside the temple) and \$ 151.00 ( outside of temple). *Rates of Pujas/ wedding out of Greater Cincinnati area are as follows:*

- a) Up to 50 miles - \$151.00, b) 50 - 80 miles - \$251.00
- c) 80 - 110 miles - \$351.00, d) More than 110 miles - \$501.00.
- e) Wedding - \$1,001.00

## TEMPLE RENTAL - LOWER FLOOR ONLY

	Full day	Half day
Monday -Thursday (except holidays)	\$ 401.00	\$ 225.00
Friday, Saturday & Holidays	\$601.00	\$401.00
<u>Sunday after 3PM only</u>	not rented	\$401.00
Use of Kitchen	\$ 201.00	\$101.00
Use of Kitchen w/paper products	\$251.00	\$ 151.00

Full Day: 8.00 am-11.00 pm

Half Day: 8.00 am-2.00 pm or 4.00 pm - 11.00 pm

### Note:

All Temple rentals require a \$ 200.00 security deposit. It will be forfeited if the basement hall, upstairs, bathrooms and the kitchen area are not cleaned by the party renting the space.

## CONTACTS

### To Schedule Puja or To rent Lower Level

*Meena Sondhi* 513-831-9788

meena.sondhi@gmail.com

## PUJA COMMITTEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

[If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact **Madhu Sharma** 513-807-5081, or any **EC Member** or the **Temple** at 513-528-3714]

1. **Archana** performed during temple hours by sponsoship.
2. **No Archana** on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
3. **Outside Pujas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only.
4. To **schedule any Puja** please contact Meena Sondhi at least one week in advance.
5. **Food and Prasad** : To bring to the temple please contact Puja Committee chairperson .
6. **Pujas performed outside** the temple will be rated according to the number of Pujas performed
7. **Puja Samagri-** for convenience of devotees, the temple can provide Puja Samagri for a donation of \$ 21.00 for any Puja, and \$ 31.00 for any puja including Havan/Homam
8. **Cancellations of Puja should be done 3 days in advance**, otherwise full fee for the Puja will be charged.

## OPERATING ACCOUNT FINANCIAL SUMMARY

1/1/2021 to 5/31/2021

<b>Total Revenues:</b>	<b>\$ 218,932.00</b>
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>\$ 214,261.00</b>
<b>Net Revenue:</b>	<b>\$ 4,671.00</b>

### HSGC LOAN BALANCE:

<b>As of 1/1/2021:</b>	<b>\$ 408,652.00</b>
<b>As of 5/31/2021:</b>	<b>\$ 332,032.00</b>

**Add'l loan payment in May: \$31,911.00**

(Collection from 5K Walk paid towards principal of mortgage.)

**HELP TEMPLE BECOME DEBT FREE**

For more details please call Madhu Sharma 513-807-5081  
or Priests 513-528-3714

**Daily Aarti Everyday Evening 7:30 pm**

## Weekly programs

Monday 6:30 pm	Shiv Mahimna Stotram
Tuesday 6:30 pm	Hanuman Chalisa Path
Thursday 7:00 pm	Vishnu Sahasranam Parayan (contact Ganesh Sundaresan 513 752 4025)
Friday 6:30 pm	Venkateswar Puja

## Monthly programs

### Satya Narayan Puja

*Every Purnima of the month 6:30 pm*  
**Sponsorship \$51**  
Contact Madhu Sharma or Temple Priests

### Purushottam Naam Stotra Parayan

*Every Second Wedsday 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm*  
For details please call: Meena Mehta 513-574-6763

### Navgrah Puja

*Every First Saturday*  
Sponsors needed for Puja \$51  
Contact Madhu Sharma or Temple Priests

### Sai Bhajans

*Every First Saturday at 6 pm to 7:30 pm*  
Dr. Ganesh 857-719-1500; Rajan 513-331-2058

### Murugan Abhishekam /Puja

*Normally on Second Saturday*  
(Follow the schedule on Page 5.)  
Pandit Bhattar 513-488-2986  
Saravanan Sakhtivel 513-376-3050  
Jeya Selvakumar 513-795-9868  
Contact Madhu Sharma or Temple Priests

### 1008 Gayatri Jap

*Every Second Saturday at 9:30 am*  
Contact Madhu Sharma or Temple Priests

### Abhishekam / Kalyanotsavam for LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

*Every Fourth Saturday 10:30 am to 12:30 pm*  
To sponsor and details please call any of the following  
Anand Konda 732-423-1539  
Vasundhara Dasari 513-827-5160 / 777-3353  
Suseela Paturi 513-867-8591  
Sunitha Manukonda 513-900-0605 / 770-0255  
Pandit Bhattar 513-488-2986

### Sunder Kand Path

*Every Third Sunday 10:30 am to 1:00 pm*  
Sangita Patel 513-791-0855  
Acharya. Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382

### Shri Ganesh Puja & Atharvshirsha Path

*Every Fourth Sunday 10:30 am*  
*This puja is dedicated to each month's*  
***Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh***  
For more information & to sponsor the puja please call  
Padmaja Patkar 513-847-7918  
Madhu Sharma 513-807-5081

### Shri Jagannath Puja

*Every Fifth Sunday 11:00 am*  
For more information & to sponsor the puja please call  
Suchitra Mishra 513-573-9775  
Contact Madhu Sharma or Temple Priests

### Bal Vihar Activities

*Second and Fourth Sunday 11:30 am to 1:00 pm*  
Contact: Dr. Ganesh Yadlapalli 857-791-1500  
Priya Dayal 513-508-8866

# Temple Calendar of Events

## July 2021

July	3rd	Sat	Navgrah Puja Havan 10am
July	3rd	Sat	Murugan Ther Festival
July	4 <sup>th</sup>	Sun	1008 Gayatri Jaap 10am
July	10th	Sat	Jagannath Netrotsava And Rath Yatra 4pm
July	11th	Sun	Sunderkand path 10:30am
July	18th	Sun	Jagannath Bahuda Yatra 10:30am
July	23rd	Fri.	Guru Purnima 108 Satya Narayan Puja 6:00pm
July	24th	Sat.	Venkateshwar Abhishekam 11am
July	24th	Sat.	Ayyappan Abhishekam 6pm
July	25th	Sun	Ganesh Puja and Atharvashirsh Path 11am
July	26th	Mon	First Shravan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm Sponsorship \$101
July	27th	Tue	Sankashti Chaturthi Puja

## August 2021

Aug	1st	Sun	Shrinathji Hindola Utsava 10:30am
Aug	1st	Sun	Murugan Puja 4:30pm
Aug	2nd	Mon	Shrawan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm
Aug	7th	Sat,	Rudra yagana/havan 10am
Aug	7th	Sat.	Sai Bhajans 6pm
Aug	8th	Sun	Ganesh Puja and Atharvashirsh Path 11am
Aug	9th	Mon	Shrawan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm
Aug	12th	Thurs	Naag Panchami Puja 6pm Sponsorship \$51
Aug	14 <sup>th</sup>	Sat.	Murugan Abhishekam 4:30pm
Aug	15th	Sun.	Sunderkand Path 10:30am
Aug	16th	mon	Shrawan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm
Aug	20th	Fri	Vara Mahalakshmi Vratam 6pm
Aug	21st	Sat.	Satya Narayan Puja Purnima 5:30pm
Aug	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Sun	Gayatri Jayanti 1008 Gayatri Jaap And Havan 10am
Aug	22nd	Sun	Yajurveda Upakarma 8am ,9am ,10am sponsorship \$51
Aug	22nd	Sun	Balbhadrha Janmadin Puja 11am
Aug	23rd	Mon	Shrawan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm
Aug	25th	Wed	Sankashti Chaturthi Puja 7pm
Aug	27th	fri	Nag Panchami /Garud Panchami 6pm
Aug	28th	Sat.	Venkateshwar Kalyanam Puja 10am
Aug	28th	Sat.	Ayyapan Abhishekam 6pm
Aug	29th	Sun	Shri Krishna Janamashtami 6pm to Midnight
Aug	29th	Sun	Jagannath Puja 11am
Aug	30th	Mon	Shrawan Somvaar Shiv Abhishek 10am and 6:30pm

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