



# SRI SAI AMRUTHA NARAYANA TEMPLE

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## SAI AMRUTHA JYOTHI

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### FROM OUR TEMPLE'S DESK ...

*Sairam,*

Spring is here and the temple grounds plants have sprouted into fresh green leaves. The grounds are spacious and green and please come and enjoy the temple and pray to Vriksha bhairava and bhavani kshetram. Please take the blessings. We know it doesn't stay this fresh green for a long time. Come and enjoy your temple. Nature gives us good health and well-being and we are fortunate to have that blessing to be in Nature at our temple. It is calm and healing.

Summer is coming and children are off school. There are lots of volunteer activities you can do at the temple as a family and for kids too. You can participate in them. Temple needs help and if you can plan for the summer with the kids at the temple it will be a great opportunity and very nice.

Lovingly yours

*Pandit Rajagopalan Mama*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Pradosham	- 05/03/23
Nrusimha Jayanthi.	- 05/04/23
Pournami	- 05/05/23
Sankatahara Chathurthi	- 05/09/23
Bhairava Ashtami	- 05/12/23
Ekadasi	- 05/15/23
Pradosham	- 05/17/23
Masa Shiva Ratri	- 05/17/23
Amavasya	- 05/19/23
Krithigai	- 05/19/23
Skanda Shashti.	- 05/25/23
Ekadasi	- 05/30/23

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# SRI SAI BABA'S DIVINE WORDS



"Love one another and help others to rise to the higher levels, simply by pouring out love."

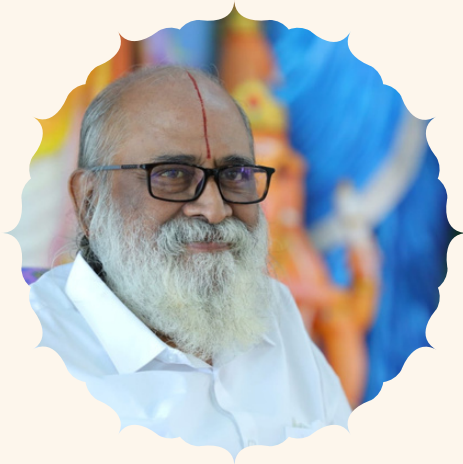


"Don't expect me to show my presence every time but I promise you that when you need me most, you will feel my strong presence."



"Don't live with memories, it will just ruin your present. No one has achieved anything living with past memories. Live in present, my child"

# SRIDHARAMRUTHAM



Present is the prayer....

Present is the meditation....

This moment is the prayer....

'NOW' is the prayer....

Neither the past nor the future is the prayer....

When you think about your past, certain events make you depressed....

When you think of the future you will be anxious because of its uncertainty.... Prayers can never depress you nor can make you anxious.... So prayer is present and this moment.... Prayer is pure joy and its certainly not in the depleted past or uncertain future.... Prayer is the golden present....



Life in one way looks like a drama....

Awareness teaches you to just play your

role. This awareness leads to the state of

being choiceless.... Here is where you feel

the wisdom blooming like a flower....

Knowing fully well the future, you may or

may not act since you will just play your

role, but certainly you will never react....

# A STORY FROM SAI SATCHARITRA



On the first day of my arrival in Shirdi, there was a discussion between me and Balasaheb Bhate regarding the necessity of a Guru. I contended, "Why should we lose our freedom and submit to others? When we have to do our duty, why a Guru is necessary? One must try his best and save himself. What can the Guru do to a man who does nothing but sleeps indolently?" Thus I pleaded free will, while Mr. Bhate took up the other side, viz., Destiny, and said, "Whatever is bound to happen must happen; even great men have failed, man proposes one way, but God disposes the other (contrary) way. Brush aside your cleverness; pride or egoism won't help you." This discussion, with all its pros and cons went on for an hour or so, and as usual no decision was arrived at. We had to stop the discussion ultimately as we were exhausted. The net result of this was that I lost my peace of mind and found that unless there is strong body-consciousness and egoism, there would be no discussion; in other words, it is egoism which breeds discussion. Then when we went to the Masjid with others, Baba asked Kakasaheb Dixit the following:- "What was going on in the (Sathe's) Wada? What was the discussion about?" and staring at me, Baba further added, "What did this Hemadpant say?" Hearing these words, I was much surprised. The Masjid was at a considerable distance from Sathe's Wada where I was staying and where the discussion was going on. How could Baba know our discussion unless He be omniscient and Inner Ruler of us all?

I began to think why Sai Baba should call me by the name Hemadpant. This word is a corrupt form of Hemadripant. This Hemadripant was a wellknown Minister of the kings Mahadev and Ramadev of Devgiri of the Yadav dynasty. He was very learned, goodnatured and the author of good works, such as Chaturvarga Chintamani (dealing with spiritual subjects) and Rajprashasti. He invented and started new methods of accounts and was the originator of the Modi (Marathi Shorthand) script. But I was quite the opposite, an ignoramus, and of dull, mediocre intellect. So I could not understand why the name or title was conferred upon me, but thinking seriously upon it, I thought that the title was a dart to destroy my ego, so that, I should always remain meek and humble.

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It was also a compliment paid to me for the cleverness in the discussion. Looking to the future history, we think that Baba's word (calling Mr. Dabholkar by the name Hemadpant) was significant and prophetic, as we find that he looked after the management of Sai Sansthan very intelligently, kept nicely all the accounts and was also the author of such a good work "Sai Satcharita", which deals with such important and spiritual subjects as Jnana, Bhakti and dispassion, self-surrender and self-realization.

Hemadpant has left no note, no memo about what Baba said regarding this subject, but Kakasaheb Dixit has published his notes regarding this matter. Next day after Hemadpant's meeting with Sai Baba, Kakasaheb went to Baba and asked whether he should leave Shirdi. Baba said, "Yes". Then someone asked - "Baba, where to go?" Baba said, "High up." Then the man said, "How is the way?" Baba said, "There are many ways leading there; there is one way also from here (Shirdi). The way is difficult. There are tigers and wolves in the jungles on the way." I (Kakasaheb) asked - "But Baba, what if we take a guide with us?" Baba answered, - "Then there is no difficulty. The guide will take you straight to your destination, avoiding wolves, tigers and ditches etc. on the way. If there be no guide, there is the danger of your being lost in the jungles or falling into ditches." Mr. Dabholkar was present on this occasion and he thought that this was the answer Baba gave to the question whether Guru was a necessity; and he thereupon took the hint that no discussion of the problem, whether man is free or bound, is of any use in spiritual matters, but that on the contrary real Paramartha is possible only as the result of the teachings of the Guru, as is illustrated in this chapter of the original work in the instances of great Avatars like Rama and Krishna, who had to submit themselves to their Gurus, Vasishtha and Sandipani respectively, for getting self-realization and that the only virtues necessary for such progress are faith and patience.

- Sai Satcharita (Chapter 2)

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## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

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## **MORE INFORMATION**

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For more information on how to donate, how to contribute to our unique Sai Narayana Temple initiatives and our charitable activities please visit our temple website donations page.



# NRUSIMHA JAYANTHI CELEBRATIONS



Sai Narayana temple celebrated Nrusimha Jayanthi by performing an abhishekam and homam. Enjoy the pictures.



# THURSDAY ABHISHEKAMS



Thursday Abhishekam's are special. As Thursday's are for Guru's, lets pray to our ever loving Baba. We have posted below a few pictures of our special Thursday abhishekam's.

