



# SRI SAI AMRUTHA NARAYANA TEMPLE

340 THREE CHOPT ROAD, MANAKIN SABBOT, VA 23103.



## SAI AMRUTHA JYOTHI

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Sairam,

We are happy to share that the past two months were filled with devotion, joy, and community participation as our temple celebrated several auspicious festivals and spiritual events. Devotees came together to take part in special pujas, abhishekams, archanas, bhajans, and other sacred services. These celebrations brought a beautiful spiritual energy to the temple and strengthened our sense of community and togetherness.

We sincerely thank all devotees, volunteers, and families who participated and supported the temple during these festivals. Your devotion, service, and presence help make every celebration meaningful and successful.

With the arrival of the spring season, the temple grounds will soon need care and preparation for seasonal gardening and maintenance. We warmly request devotees and community members to volunteer their time to help with gardening activities around the temple, including planting, cleaning, watering, and maintaining the landscape.

Seva is an important part of our tradition, and even a small contribution of time can make a meaningful difference. Your support helps keep the temple environment clean, welcoming, peaceful, and spiritually uplifting for everyone. If you are interested in volunteering for gardening or other temple services, please speak with the front desk or temple management.

May Baba bless you and your families with good health, happiness, peace, prosperity, and abundance.

For more details regarding pujas, services, or volunteer opportunities, please contact me.

*Pandit Rajagopalan Mama.*

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

05/21/2026 - Dhanyadhivasam

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# SRI SAI BABA'S DIVINE WORDS



YOU MUST BE A LOTUS, UNFOLDING ITS PETALS WHEN THE SUN RISES IN THE SKY, UNAFFECTED BY THE SLUSH WHERE IT IS BORN OR EVEN THE WATER WHICH SUSTAINS IT!



LEARNING TO EARN A LIVING IS ONLY HALF THE JOB. THE OTHER HALF IS TO MAKE LIFE WORTHWHILE AND MEANINGFUL.



UNLESS KNOWLEDGE IS TRANSFORMED INTO WISDOM, AND WISDOM IS EXPRESSED IN CHARACTER; EDUCATION IS A WASTEFUL PROCESS.

# SRIDHARAMRUTHAM



HE WANTED TO SEE ME AND I SAID 'YES'...

HE....'WHAT DO YOU DO AS A PRAYOGI?'

I SMILED AND SAID....'YOU CAN'T UNDERSTAND AND YOU WONT BELIEVE ME'....'

HE....'I AM A GENETIC ENGINEER... I SPECIALISE IN EUGENICS... I CAN UNDERSTAND'...

I SAID....'OKAY... I EAT FOR OTHERS, SO THAT THEY DON'T FEEL HUNGRY'...

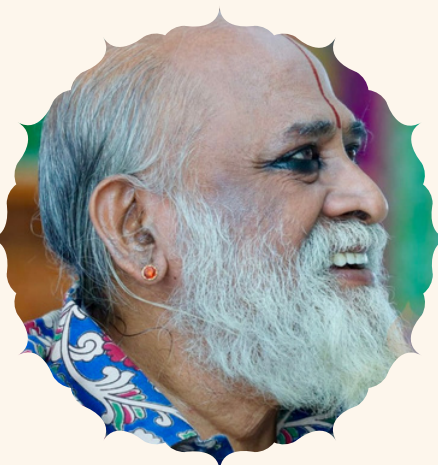
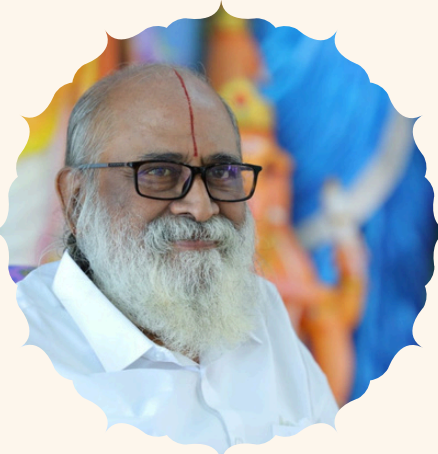
HE SAID....'HOW IS THIS POSSIBLE?... EVERY ONE HAS TO EAT FOR THEIR STOMACH... I CAN'T BELIEVE THIS'....

I LAUGHED AND SAID....'WHAT DID I SAY INITIALLY? YOU CANNOT UNDERSTAND AND YOU WONT BELIEVE ME'....



DON'T GO TO A MASTER TO PROBE.... HE EXPLAINS THE TRUTH AND YOU CANNOT UNDERSTAND BECAUSE IT WILL DEFY YOUR LOGIC...MASTER IS NOT HERE TO EXPLAIN AND SEEK YOUR APPROVAL OF WHAT HE SAYS.... HE IS THERE AS AN EMBODIMENT OF TRUTH AND NEVER TELLS A LIE... EVERY WORD IS TRUE....

HERE TOO I EXPRESSED ONLY THE TRUTH? ONLY THE FAITHFUL CAN UNDERSTAND....



# A STORY FROM SAI SATCHARITRA



## Vithal Himself Appeared

Sai Baba was very fond of remembering and singing God's name. He always uttered Allah Malik (God is Lord) and in His presence made others sing God's name continuously, day and night, for 7 days. This is called Namasaptaha. Once He asked Kakasaheb Dixit to do the Namasaptaha. He replied that he would do it, provided he was assured that Vithal would appear at the end of the 7th day. Then Baba, placing His hand on his breast assured him that certainly Vithal would appear, but that the devotee must be 'earnest and devout'. The Dankapuri (Takore) of Takurnath, the Pandhari of Vithal, the Dwarka of Ranchhod (Krishna) is here (Shirdi). One need not go far out to see Dwarka. Will Vithal come here from some outside place? He is here. Only when the devotee is bursting with love and devotion, Vithal will manifest Himself here (Shirdi).

After the Saptaha was over, Vithal did manifest Himself in the following manner. Kakasaheb Dixit was, as usual, sitting in meditation after the bath, and he saw Vithal in a vision. When he went at noon for Baba's darshana, Baba asked him point-blank - "Did Vithal Patil come? Did you see Him? He is a very truant fellow, catch Him firmly, otherwise, he will escape, if you be a little inattentive." This happened in the morning and at noon there was another Vithal darshana. One hawker from outside came there for selling 25 or 30 pictures of Vithoba. This picture exactly tallied with the figure that appeared in Kakasaheb's vision. On seeing this and remembering Baba's words, Kakasaheb Dixit was much surprised and delighted. He bought one picture of Vithoba, and placed it in his shrine for worship.

# SUPPORT YOUR TEMPLE



## **DOLLAR-A-DAY**

**[CLICK to Signup](#)**

Giving Dollar a day means supporting the initiatives that the temple has undertaken on a regular basis such as, rescuing cows and building Goshala, Donating 1000's gallons of milk for infants & conducting regular cultural and religious activities.



## **BIRTHDAY'S & ANNIVERSARIES**

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Make your special days truly special! As you step in to a new year in your blessed life, Sai Narayana Temple would love to be a part of it, You could participate in a simple Abhishekam and Archana to take blessing from Baba on your special day.



## **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.



# THURSDAY ABHISHEKAMS



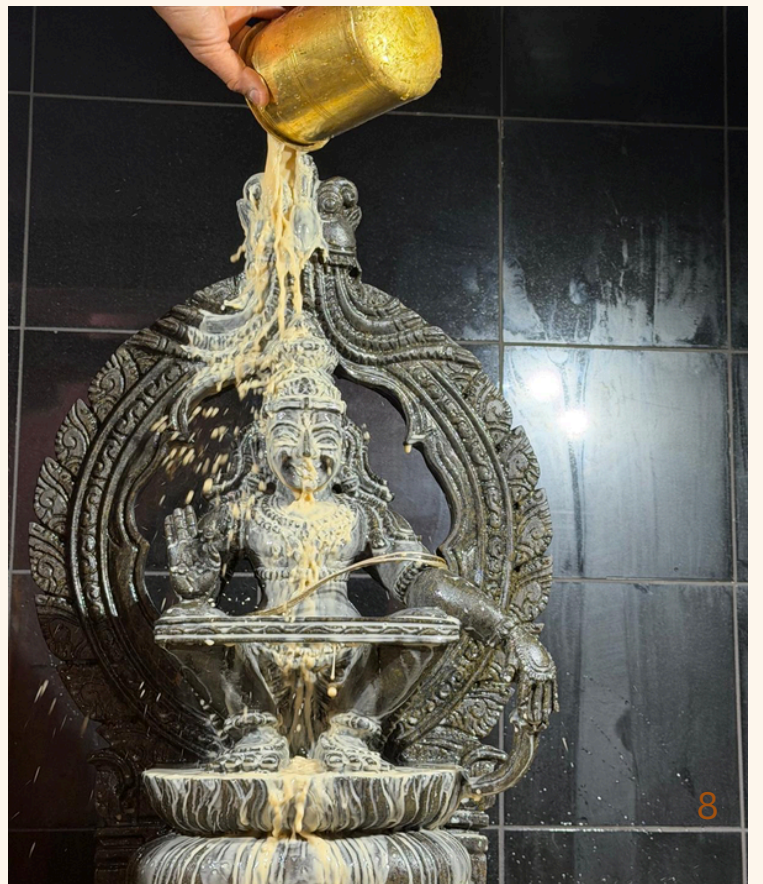
Thursday Abhishekam's are special. As Thursday's are for Guru's, lets pray to our ever loving Baba. We have posted below a few pictures of our special Thursday abhishekam's.



# SPECIAL EVENTS



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# NRUSIMHA JAYANTHI



We celebrated Nrusimha Jayanthi on April 30th.





# OUR VOLUNTEERS

**MILLION THANKS TO ALL OUR AMAZING VOLUNTEERS**

**Continuing to pour their hearts into every detail, ensuring the temple's transformation unfolded in all its glory.**





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# Dhanyadhivasam

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**Thursday,  
21<sup>st</sup> May  
7-8 PM**

We are going to start the ceremonial dhanyadhivasam of all the new vigrahams by immersing them in dhanyam (grains). These vigrahams include, Ganapathi, Garuda, Anjaneya, and Dwarapalakas of Ayyappa Swamy mandir and Main temple.



*We are requesting all devotees to bring and offer rice (Sona Masuri only) for this event. You can also donate \$30/bag of rice  
All are welcome to participate*

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For more details please contact Babu Jammi #804-868-8800  
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