

THE HINDU TEMPLE OF METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON

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September 2010 SCHEDULED EVENTS

MONTH	DATE	DAY	TIME	SERVICE	PROGRAM
Wednesday		JANMASTHAMI - Nand Maha Utsav, & Krishna Bal Leela with bhajans, kirtan, chanting, abhishek, arti, with Guest Swami Dr. Satish Sharma Ji, Hindu Temple Pandit Pitamber Dutt and Shastri Ram Kumar, Temple Devotees and Local Talent. Prasadam and Priti Bhoj served			
September	1		8pm to Midnight		
September	2	THURSDAY	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Sai Baba Group	Bhajans, Reading, Arti & Prasad
September	3	FRIDAY	8:00 PM	Santoshi Mata Arti Service	
September	4	SATURDAY	Ajaa Ekadashi	Serva Deva Pooja	
September	4	SATURDAY	9:00 am to 10:30 am	Jain Pooja	
September	5	SUNDAY	PRADOSHA		
September	5	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Yoga Classes	
September	5	SUNDAY	9.00 AM to 10:30 AM	Jain Pooja	
September	5	SUNDAY	5:00 PM to 7:00 PM		Bhajans, Readingm Arti, Prasad, Priti Bhoj
September	6	MONDAY		Shiv Pooja	LABOR DAY
September	7	TUESDAY	7:00 PM to 8:00 PM	Hanuman Chalisa Paath & Ramayana Katha	Bhajans, Reading,Arti, Prasad
September	8	WEDNESDAY	AMANVASYA	Laxmi Narayana Pooja	
September	9	THURSDAY	8.00 PM - 9:00 PM	Sai Baba Group	Bhajans, Reading,Arti, Prasad
September	10	FRIDAY	Varaha Jayanti & Haritalika Teej		
September	10	FRIDAY	7:00 PM	Santoshi Mata Arti Service	
3 DAYS SPECIAL PROGRAM - Ganesh Puran & Yagna		GANESH CHATURTHY & JAYANTI Katha and Yagna by Pandit Bhisham - Trinidad Hindu Temple Group - followed by prasadam and priti bhoj			
	9/10:	Friday	7 pm to 9 pm,		
	9/11:	Saturday	7 pm to 9pm,		
	9/12:	Sunday	9 am o		
September	11	SATURDAY	9:00 AM	Jain Pooja	
September	11	SATURDAY	GANESH JAYANTI	Serva Deva Pooja	
SPECIAL SERVICE 9/11: Saturday 12 pm to 3 pm		GANESH POOJA & KATHA by Orissa Society - prasadam and priti bhoj			
September	11	SATURDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special GANESH CHATURTHY & JAYANTI Katha; Special Katha by Pandit Bhisham - Trinidad Hindu Temple Group followed by prasadam and priti bhoj	

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September	12	SUNDAY	Garg Angira Jayanti; Rishi Panchmi		
September	12	SUNDAY	8 AM to 10 AM	Yoga Classes	
September	12	SUNDAY	9.00 AM to 10:00 AM	Jain Pooja	
SPECIAL SERVICE		SPECIAL YAGNA - HAVAN - (outside patio) - and Katha in the prayer hall. Sing bhajans , Participate in religious discourse, bhajan, kirtan,arti, prasad & priti bhoj			
Sunday September 12 9 am to 12 pm					
SPECIAL SERVICE		Jhulela Sai – Sindhi Association Prayer Offering - Monthly - bhajans, arti, prasad			
Sunday September 12 4 pm to 5 pm					
SPECIAL SERVICE		GANESH POOJA & KATHA by Pandit Pitamer Dutt & Shastri Ram Kumar, prashad & priti Bhoj			
9/12: Sunday 5 pm to 7 pm					
September	12	SUNDAY	5:30 PM to 6.30 PM	Bal Gokulam	
September	13	MONDAY		Shiv Pooja	LAKSHMI VRAT Begins, Baldeo Shasti
SPECIAL SERVICE		RADHA RANI JAYANTI CELEBRATIONS - Hanuman Chalisa followed by Radha Rani Bhajans, Kirtan, Arti, prasad, and priti bhoj			
Tuesday September 14 7.30 pm to 9 pm					
September	15	WEDNESDAY	RADHA ASHTAMI	Laxmi Narayana Pooja	LAKSHMI VRAT Ends
September	16	THURSDAY	Sankranti		
September	16	THURSDAY	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Sai Baba Group	Bhajans, Reading,Arti, Prasad
September	17	FRIDAY	8:00 PM	Santoshi Mata Arti Service	
September	18	SATURDAY	EKADASHI		
September	18	SATURDAY	9.00 AM to 10:30 AM	Jain Pooja	
SPECIAL SERVICE Saturday		Every Third Saturday of the Month Jagannath Organization for Global Awareness (JOGA) Bhajan, Kirtan, Religious Discourse, Arti, Priti Bhoj			
September 18 6pm to 9 pm					
September	19	SUNDAY	VAMAN JAYANTI; PANCHAK BEGINS		
September	19	SUNDAY	8:00 AM	Yoga Classes	
September	19	SUNDAY	9.00 AM to 10:30 AM	Jain Pooja	
SPECIAL PROGRAM September 19 to September 25, 2010					
SWAMI ANANTACHARYA MAHARAJ JI - Spirituality					
Beyond Boundaries - Time: Sunday 5.00 to 7.00 pm; Monday to Saturday 7pm to 9 pm; prasad and priti bhoj served daily					
September	19	SUNDAY	5:30 PM to 6.30 PM	Bal Gokulam	
September	20	MONDAY	PRADOSHA	Shiv Pooja	VAAMANA JAYANTI
September	20	MONDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami Anantcharya
September	21	TUESDAY	ANANTA CHATURDASHI		
September	21	TUESDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Hanuman Chalisa Paath & Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami Anantcharya
September	22	WEDNESDAY		Laxmi Narayana Pooja	
September	22	WEDNESDAY	SHRAD BEGINS, GANESH UTSAVE ENDS		
September	22	WEDNESDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami Anantcharya

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September	23	THURSDAY	PURNIMA		

PITR PAKSH - SHRAADHAS -- FROM SEPTEMBER 23 TO OCTOBER 7, 2010 - Please contact Pandit Pitamber Dutt and Shastri Ram Kumar at 301-445-2165, 301-434-1000 for services and more information

Pitr Paksh/ Shradhas, is the annual rites and rituals offered to ancestors in the month of Ashwin during the Krishna Paksha.. It is believed that the Shradh performed during the Pitr Paksh Shradh fortnight is highly auspicious as it reaches the deceased relatives immediately and therefore their souls attain liberation or rest in peace.

Across the Hindu religion it is believed that after death, the soul incarnates into a new form and embodies as animal, bird, reptile, human or any other form depending on the Karmas (deeds) in one's past life. Thus, as one's ancestors would have attained a new form after death, many people believe that why is Pitr-Puja necessary.

The day of Pitr Paksha or Mahalaya Amavasya has great significance and importance for all Hindus residing in India and abroad. It is the annual festival for propitiating the spirits of our ancestors, with devout prayers for peace. Hence performing the rites of Shradha on this day would gratify the souls of our ancestors for years.

According to Hindu religious belief, on the Mahalaya Amavasya, there is a conjunction of the sun and the moon and that the sun enters the sign Virgo (Kanya). On this day, the departed ancestors leave their abode of Yama and come down to the earth to take their Purnima Shradh – September 23, 2010 ; Mahalaya Pitr Paksh Shradh begins on September 24, 2010 with Pratipada Shradh

The most vital difference between Funeral rites and Shradha is that, while funeral rites are considered inauspicious, Shradha is considered auspicious. Mahalaya Shradh – Pitr Paksh ends - October 7

September	23	THURSDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami
September	23	THURSDAY	9:00 PM	Sai Baba Group	Bhajans, Reading,Arti, Prasad
September	24	FRIDAY	PANCHAK ENDS		
September	24	FRIDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami
September	24	FRIDAY	8:00 PM	Santoshi Mata Arti Service	
September	25	SATURDAY	9.00 AM to 10:30 AM	Jain Pooja	
SPECIAL SERVICE Saturday September 25 5 pm to 7 pm			Sundarkaand Paath - Every Last Saturday of each Month Reading, Katha, Bhajan Kirtan & Arti, by Dr.Rama Dwivedi, Pandits Pitamber Dutt Ji and Ram Kumar Shastri Ji, Followed by Prasad and Priti BhojSing bhajans , Participate in religious discourse & Arti Followed by Prasad & Priti Bhoj		
September	25	SATURDAY	7:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Special Katha	Pravachan by Guest Swami Anantcharya
September	26	SUNDAY	8 AM to 10 AM	Yoga Classes	
September	26	SUNDAY	9.00 AM to 10:00 AM	Jain Pooja	
SPECIAL SERVICE Sunday September 26 10 am to Noon			Every Other Sunday of the Month Trinidad Hindu Group Sing bhajans , Participate in religious discourse & Arti Followed by Prasad & Priti Bhoj		
September	26	SUNDAY	5:00 PM to 7:00 PM	Hari & Ramayan Katha	Katha, bhajans, Kirtan, Prasad & Priti
September	26	SUNDAY	5:30 PM to 6.30 PM	Bal Gokulam	
September	27	MONDAY		Shiv Pooja	
September	28	TUESDAY	7:30 PM to 8:30 PM	Hanuman Chalisa Paath & Ramayana Katha	Paath, Katha, Bhajans & Arti; Prasad
September	29	WEDNESDAY		Laxmi Narayana Pooja	
September	30	THURSDAY	8:00 PM to 9:00 PM	Sai Baba Group	Bhajans, Reading,Arti, Prasad