



The Hindu Temple of Greater Springfield (HTGS)

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Weekly Bulletin

Dear Temple Devotees,

Namasthe

PUJA Committee News

(Krishna Rao, Chair krao57@comcast.net 217-698-7847)

On the 19th of May, our priest, Shri Yagneswaran Ganapathy Raman, will be doing a special Rudrahoma from 11AM to noon as it is Masa Sivaratri. We invite our devotees to come and participate. General sponsorship is \$21. Grand sponsorship is now filled. Please e-mail (ankrao97@gmail.com) or call (698-7847) Krishna Rao for booking grand sponsorship.

Please note that there will be a short, partial Surya grahan (eclipse) on May 20 from 7:22 PM to 8:10 PM. The temple will remain open on that day till 2 PM (usual hours), and we will resume normal operations the following day evening.

Please click the links for

- [Daily / Weekly / Monthly / Annual Pujas List](#)
- [Puja Services & Suggested Donations: At temple / your residence](#)
- [Year 2012 Festivals / Celebrations at glance](#)
- [May 2012 Calendar](#)
- [HTGS 2012 Calendar](#)

We encourage all the temple community members **be aware of the festivals celebrations and daily/monthly puja events and consider sponsoring for pujas as much as possible**. The donations received from these services will cover the Priest expenses (Approx. \$24,000 to \$40,000 per year) and other general operational expenses. Suggested puja Sponsorship are set at very affordable range. Devalaya nitya puja is only \$365 (\$1 per day).

Every Saturday: Maha Aarathi at 11:55 am; 12:45 pm; and 1:30 pm

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

May 2012

- 19th Masa Sivaratri- Abisekha and Rudrahoma - \$21, general sponsor; grand sponsorship is filled. 11 AM
- 26th BHAJANS
- 27th Surya Namaskara
- 29th Maha Lakshmi Moola Virat Abhishekam \$15 7 PM

▪ **If you wish to schedule a private puja at your home or temple**, please contact coordinator **Krishna Rao** at 217-698-7847 calendar.htgs@gmail.com

Weekly Puja Schedule

- Every Monday 6:30 PM: Sri Shiva RudraAbhishekam* (Sponsorship \$11)
- Every Tuesday 6:30 PM: Sri Hanuman Puja * (Sponsorship \$5)

- Every Wednesday 6:30 PM: Sri Rama Puja * (Sponsorship \$5)
- Every Thursday 6:30 PM: Sri Shirdi Sai / Jalaram Bapa Puja and Bhajans* (Sponsorship \$5)
- Every Friday 6:30 PM: Sri Lalitha Sahasranama Parayana / Puja * (Sponsorship \$11)
- Every Saturday 9:15 AM: Sri Venkateswara Suprabhatham and
- Sri Venkateswara Swamy Mula Virat Abhishekam at 11 AM* (Sponsorship \$11)
- Every Sunday 11:00 AM: Sri Parshwanath Puja*

*Timings may vary due to special events, please refer to the Temple calendar.

- If you wish to sponsor for the above pujas, please refer to the suggested donations document

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- Every Day: Devalaya Nitya Puja will begin within 20 minutes after the temple is opened (Annual Sponsorship \$365; one day \$11)

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Annadatha Committee News

(Lakshmi Brahmamdam, Chair Adibrahmamd@yahoo.com 217-793-6734)

This Week's Annadhata: May 19th Saturday from Noon to 2 PM

- **Menu:** Lemon Rice, Masala Dosa, Plain Dosa, Chutney, Kheer
- **Coordinated by:** Lakshmi Brahmamdam
- **Volunteers:** Annapurna Brahmamdam, Saraswati Chapa, Lakshmi Brahmamdam, Sumitra Paidala, Srilatha Kolluri
- Congratulations and thanks to Kalpana Patel, Lila Trivedi, Rajani Trivedi, Shobhana Vakharia, Kailash Patel, Kalpana Desai, Madhu Desai, Vineeta Patel, Zigna Suthar for preparing and serving the Maha Prasadam last week. Thanks to all supporters and donors.

Annadatha Program:

Effective January 1, 2012, we will no longer have a group sponsored program (such as Udipi, Andhra Bhavan, Rajbhog and North Indian). Instead, we are opening an opportunity for any individual family or group of friends, who can sponsor this program on any of the 52 Saturday(s) available in year 2012. Please see the enclosed sign-up sheet. Lakshmi Brahmamdam continues as the Program coordinator to run this program. If you have any questions regarding this program, please contact Lakshmi B. at 217-553-2354 or

Adibrahmamd@yahoo.com . Please click the link for the Sign-up Sheet: [Annadatha Signup Sheet](#)

Year2012

Seeking Volunteers: Help your temple grow by doing divine service at least 2 or 3 hours per month. If you are interested to help us giving rides to the priest to/from the temple or to serve at the front desk, please email manager@springfieldtemple.org . Tarang Patel is our paid helper who is assisting us with some clerical duties. He is working a few hours in a week, and we need more help. It would be nice if two or three hours of volunteering help can be given from a few families. It is the most cost effective way of running our organization. Please Contact Krishna or Lakshmi Brahmamdam if you have any interest to help us. Please click the link for February month's sign-up sheet: [VolunteerSignUpSheet](#)

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Temple Hours: Monday – Friday: 5:30 pm to 8 pm; Sat and Sunday: 9 am to 2 pm

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Thank you.

Sincerely,

HTGS Executive Committee

(Krishna Rao, President; Ankur Nagrecha, Vice-president; Venugopala Shetty, Secretary; Avinash Anneboina, Treasurer; Sanjai Nagendra, Joint Treasurer; Shipra Somani, Board Delegate).

Sarva Jana Sukhino Bhavantu