

March 2022

ALL EVENTS IN-PERSON AND ONLINE
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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For in-person events, masks are
mandatory, vaccinations required.

HOLLYWOOD TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 6 Ramakrishna Puja
See details in next column
- 13 The Story of Creation
Swami Vedarupananda
- 20 Ramakrishna: The Embodiment of
Shiva
Swami Sarvadevananda
- 27 Exploring Fear and Fearlessness
Pravrajika Vidyaprana

Classes

Tuesdays 4:30 PM

Srimad Bhagavatam

Swami Sarvadevananda

No Class on March 1

Tuesdays 7:30 PM

Shanti Gita

Swami Sarvadevananda

No Class on March 1

Wednesday 7:30 PM

Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna

2, 9, 16, 30 Swami Sarvadevananda

23 Pravrajika Sevaprana

Thursdays 7:30 PM

3, 17, 31 Vedic Christianity

Swami Chidbrahmananda

10, 24 Vivekananda's *Karma Yoga*

Swami Mahayogananda

Fridays 7:30 PM

Living Wisdom of Swami

Abhedananda

Swami Atmavidyananda

Saturday classes with Pr. Dayaprana

12, 19 2:30 – 4:00 PM

Chanting Class

19 **on-line only** Antaryoga Retreat on

Swamiji's Words 6 AM – 8 AM

Register by March 17th

dayaprana@vedanta.org

Sundays 9-10:35 AM

Sanskrit Class

Sukirtha Alagarswamy

Contact: sukirtha12@yahoo.com

OTHER EVENTS - ONLINE and in-person:

1 Tuesday Shiva Ratri

**Watches: 6 PM, 8:30 PM, 10 PM,
11:30 PM**

6 Sunday Ramakrishna Puja

10:30 AM Puja

1 PM Homa Fire

2 PM Prasad

5 PM Talk by Swami

Sarvadevananda

6 PM Special Arati

12 Saturday 6 PM Ram Nam

25 Friday 7 AM Vigil

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SANTA BARBARA TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

6 Faith is Life , Doubt is Death

Pravrajika Krishnaprana

13 Ramakrishna: The Embodiment of
Shiva

Swami Sarvadevananda

20 In the Beginning

Swami Chidbrahmananda

27 The Story of Creation

Swami Vedarupananda

Classes and Other Events

**4 Friday Ramakrishna Puja 11 AM
Online and in person**

Wednesdays 5 PM

For Seekers of God

Pravrajika Krishnaprana

12 Saturday 5 PM *Bhagavad Gita*

Swami Sarvadevananda

5, 19, 26 Saturday 5 PM

Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna

PINON HILLS RETREAT High Desert

26 9:30 AM – 4 PM Antaryoga Retreat

dayaprana@vedanta.org

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

Orange County

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

6 Life Death and Beyond

Swami Dhyanayogananda

13 Spiritual Talk

Swami Mahayogananda

20 The Story of Creation

Swami Vedarupananda

27 Ramakrishna: The Embodiment of
Shiva

Swami Sarvadevananda

SAN DIEGO CENTER

Go to sandiegovedanta.org for listings

Vedanta Online Courses

Go to vedantalifeacademy.com

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11AM

5 The Mandukya Upanishad and the
Mystical Christ
Peter Bolland
Professor of Philosophy and
Humanities, Southwestern College.

12 The Neuroscience of Spiritual
Practice

Dr. Sheila Patel

Chief Medical Officer, Chopra
Global

19 The Story of Creation

Swami Vedarupananda

26 Ramakrishna: The Embodiment of
Shiva

Swami Sarvadevananda

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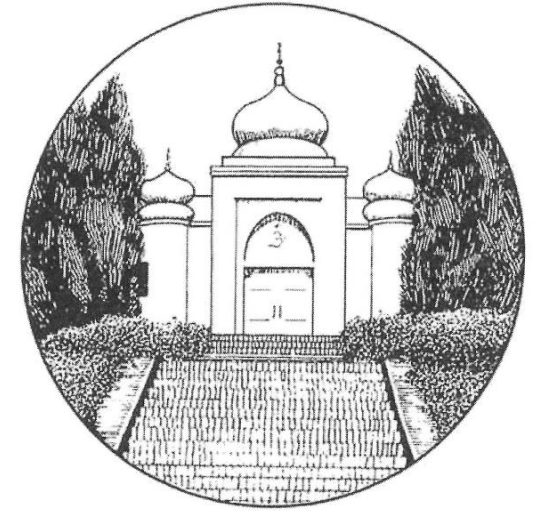
From the *Gospel of Ramakrishna*

... Earnestly pray to God. God is our very own. We should say to him: 'O God, what is thy nature? Reveal thyself to me. Thou must show thyself to me; for why else hast thou created me?'

... Why shouldn't one realize god while living in the world? But, as I said, one must live in holy company, pray to god, weeping for his grace, and now and then go into solitude.

One day, while worshipping Siva I was about to offer a bel-leaf on the head of the image, when it was revealed to me that this Virat, this Universe, itself is Siva. After that my worship of Siva through the image came to an end. Another day I had been plucking flowers, when it was revealed to me that the flowering plants were so many bouquets.

Once when I went to Benares our boat was passing the Manikamika Ghat on the Ganges, when suddenly I had a vision of Siva. I stood near the edge of the boat and went into samadhi. The boatman, fearing that I might fall into the water, cried to Hriday: 'Catch hold of him! Catch hold of him!' I saw Siva standing on that ghat, embodying in Himself all the seriousness of the world. At first I saw Him standing at a distance; then I saw Him approaching me. At last He merged in me.



Hollywood Temple

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