

## April 2022

ALL EVENTS IN PERSON AND ONLINE  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Go to vedanta.org for internet links.

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

### HOLLYWOOD TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 3 Vivekananda and the Way of Love  
Swami Mahayogananda
- 10 Truth - Satya  
Pravrajika Sevaprana
- 17 Overcoming Death  
Swami Sarvadevananda
- 24 Why Yoga? Part 2  
Swami Arupeshananda

### Classes

Tuesdays 4:30 PM

- 12, 19, 26 *Srimad Bhagavatam*  
Swami Sarvadevananda

Tuesdays 7:30 PM

- 5 Upanishadic Meditation  
Swami Mahayogananda
- 12, 19, 26 *Shanti Gita*  
Swami Sarvadevananda

Wednesday 7:30 PM

*Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*

- 6, 27 Pravrajika Sevaprana
- 13, 20 Swami Sarvadevananda

Thursdays 7:30 PM

- 7, 28 Vedic Christianity  
Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 14, 21 Vivekananda's *Karma Yoga*  
Swami Mahayogananda

Fridays 7:30 PM

- 1 No Class
- 8, 15, 22, 29 Living Wisdom of Swami  
Abhedananda  
Swami Atmavidyananda
- 2, 23 Saturday 2:30 – 4:00 PM  
Chanting Class **ONLINE ONLY:**  
dayaprana@vedanta.org
- 30 Saturday Antaryoga Retreat  
6 AM – 8 AM  
**ONLINE ONLY** Pr.Dayaprana

Sundays 9-10:35 AM,

Sanskrit Class **ONLINE ONLY:**  
Sukirtha Alagarswamy

Contact: sukirtha12@yahoo.com

### OTHER EVENTS

- 9 Saturday 6:45 PM Ram Nam
- 16 Saturday 2:00 PM – 5:30 PM  
Hanuman Jayanti: Chanting 22  
Hanuman Chalisas. See Newsletter  
for details.
- 29 Friday 7 AM Vigil

**30 SATURDAY 10 AM ANNUAL MEMBERS'  
MEETING ONLINE ONLY. MEMBERS WILL  
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### SANTA BARBARA TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 3 Bring Meaning into Your Life  
Swami Dhyanyogananda
- 10 Why Yoga? Part 1  
Swami Arupeshananda
- 17 The Light of Christ  
Pravrajika Vrajaprana
- 24 What Am I Doing  
Swami Chidbrahmananda

### Classes and Other Events

Wednesdays 5 PM

*For Seekers of God*  
Pravrajika Krishnaprana

Saturdays 5 PM

*Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*

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### Piñon Hills: High Desert

- 16 Saturday Antaryoga Retreat  
9:30 AM to 4 PM *Sermon On the  
Mount* by Swami Prabhavananda.  
Sign up with Pravrajika Dayaprana  
by April 14 Online or in person.  
[dayaprana@vedanta.org](mailto:dayaprana@vedanta.org)

### RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

Orange County

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 3 How is the Soul Reborn?  
Swami Vedarupananda
- 10 The Ideal  
Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 17 The Tranquil Mind  
Swami Dhyanyogananda
- 24 Overcoming Death  
Swami Sarvadevananda

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### SAN DIEGO CENTER

Go to sandiegovedanta.org for listings  
Vedanta Online Courses

Go to vedantalifeacademy.com

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 2 How is the Soul Reborn?  
Swami Vedarupananda
- 9 Shiva and Shakti: A Saga of Love  
and Being  
Dr. Sthaneshwar Timalsina  
Professor, Department of Religious  
Studies, San Diego State University
- 16 Life Death and Beyond  
Swami Dhyanyogananda
- 23 Overcoming Death  
Swami Sarvadevananda

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## THE VEDANTA SOCIETY ON THE INTERNET

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### About the Vedanta Society

Vedanta teaches that humanity's real nature is divine, that the true object of human life is to unfold and manifest this divinity, and that truth is universal. Vedanta accepts all the religions of the world and reveres the great prophets, teachers and sons of God, because it recognizes the same divine inspiration in all.

### The Vedanta Society of Southern California

was founded in 1930 and incorporated as a non-profit religious corporation in 1934. The Society maintains a temple, convent, and monastery in both Hollywood and Santa Barbara; a monastery and shrine each in San Diego and Trabuco Canyon; and the Vivekananda House in South Pasadena. There are a number of official Vedanta societies in the United States, Europe and South America. Although the societies are under the spiritual guidance of the Ramakrishna Order of India, each is an independent, self-supporting unit.

**Membership** is open to those who are seriously interested in the teachings of Vedanta and have attended lectures and classes for some time. In addition, an interview with Swami Sarvadevananda is required. Applications are available in the Society office and/or bookshops.

**Private instruction** in spiritual practice is available by appointment from Swami Sarvadevananda to those who have attended classes and lectures for some time and want to deepen their spiritual life in the path of meditation. There is no charge for this instruction. Appointments may be made at the local centers

**Information and a large selection of books** on Vedanta and other religions are available at the Hollywood, Trabuco and Santa Barbara bookshops. Some books are also available at the San Diego Center. Check our website for current hours. Some of our centers maintain a lending library for the use of members.

*Thus Spake Rama* on "PARAMATMAN"

Śri Rama tells Hanuman, "It is the shadow of the Paramatman that you see reflected in all the living beings as Jivatman. Don't you see the great sky reflected in each and every lake or river?"

The Paramatman is the sky which is stationary. Its reflections are not permanent. Just as the sky alone exists, so also the Paramatman, which is the Supreme Brahman, is the only reality. All the visible living things are only its reflections. I am the Paramatman and you are the reflection of Mine.

The Atman is certainly different from the body, senses, mind and Prana. It is blissful, supreme, non-dual, permanent, formless, sinless and pure. The moment this realization comes to you, you are liberated.

Try to experience the identity of the Paramatman and the Jivatman by listening to the wise words of your Guru with faith. His advice is, 'Tat Twam Asi' (Thou art That). Of course, the Guru's grace is essential for you to reach that stage.

To be blessed with his grace, first you must understand the meaning of the words Tat Twam Asi. 'Tat' means 'Paramatman', 'Twam' means 'Jivatman', and 'Asi' means 'are'. It therefore means that both Paramatman and Jivatman are the same. Since both Paramatman and Jivatman are one and the same, it is not possible to differentiate them. It is also impossible to attribute separate qualities to them.



**Vivekananda House - South Pasadena**

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