OCTOBER 2024

ALL EVENTS IN PERSON AND ONLINE UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED Visit vedanta.org for internet links

HOLLYWOOD TEMPLE SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 6 Maya, Yogamaya, and Mahamaya Swami Sarvadevananda
- 13 Vedanta as Metareligion Swami Medhananda
- 20 Swami Vivekananda and Worship of the Divine Mother Swami Sumanasananda
- 27 What is Superimposition? Swami Vedarupananda

Classes

Tuesdays 4:30 PM

Srimad Bhagavatam Swami Sarvadevananda

Tuesdays 7:30 PM Svetasvatara Upanishad Swami Sarvadevananda

Wednesdays 7:30 PM

Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna

- 2,9,16 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 23 Swami Medhananda

Thursdays 7:30 PM

- 3 Patanjali's *Yoga Sutras* Swami Medhananda
- 10,24 Narada Bhakti Sutras Swami Sumanasananda
- 17 Hymns of Swami Vivekananda Swami Mahayogananda

Fridays 7:30 PM

4 No Class

11,18,25 Teachings of the Direct Disciples of Sri Ramakrishna Swami Atmavidyananda

Saturday Classes with Pr. Dayaprana 5, 19 2:30 – 4 PM Chanting Class online only

19 6–8:30 AM Antaryoga Morning Retreat: Swamiji's Words on Mother Register by Oct 17: dayaprana@vedanta.org

Sundays 9–10:35 AM Online Only

Sanskrit Class: Sukirtha Alagarswamy Contact: sukirtha@vedanta.org

Other Events

Navaratri Chanting Wed. 2 – Sat. 12

- 5 Sat. Ram Nam 6:30 PM
- 11 Fri. Sandhi Puja 11:42 AM to 12:30 PM
- 12 Sat. Durga Puja in Santa Barbara
- 19 Saturday 9 AM Noon Karma Yoga
- 25 Friday 7 AM Vigil

31 Thurs. KALI PUJA 10 PM to 3 AM

Nov. 2 Sat. Kali Immersion

PIÑON HILLS, HIGH DESERT

In person and online

26 Antaryoga Retreat 9:30 AM – 4 PM Prasna Upanishad Register by Oct 24 dayaprana@vedanta.org

SANTA BARBARA TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 6 What is Superimposition? Swami Vedarupananda
- 13 Maya, Yogamaya, and Mahamaya Swami Sarvadevananda
- 20 The Divine Mother and Us Pravrajika Vrajaprana
- 27 Love Conquers All Swami Arupeshananda

Classes and Other Events

Wednesdays 5 PM Swami Ramakrishnananda, Apostle to the South by Swami Tapasyananda Pravrajika Krishnaprana

Navaratri Chanting Wed. 2 – Sat. 12

11 Fri. Sandhi Puja 11:42 AM to 12:30 PM

Saturday

- 5 Karma Yoga 9:15 AM Noon
- 5,19,26 5:30 PM Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna

12 11 AM DURGA PUJA

- 12 5 PM *Bhagavad Gita* Swami Sarvadevananda
- 31 Thurs. Kali Puja in Hollywood

TRABUCO CANYON, ORANGE COUNTY

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 6 Be Here Now Swami Mahayogananda
- 13 Total Acceptance Swami Dhyanayogananda
- 20 Maya, Yogamaya, and Mahamaya Swami Sarvadevananda
- 27 Swami Vivekananda and the Worship of Mother Kali Swami Sumanasananda

Wednesday

6:30 PM In person and online Arati 7:30 Satsanga with the Trabuco Brothers

SAN DIEGO CENTER

Special Saturday Retreat

5 9 to 10:30 AM: In Person and by Zoom Applying Eastern Spirituality To Political Conflict

Peter Bolland SW College (in person)

Dr. Elon Goldstein (via Zoom) Brandeis Univ.

Swami Sarvapriyananda (via Zoom) Vedanta Society, NY

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 12 Accepting Life as It Is Swami Dhyanayogananda
- 19 Maya, Yogamaya, and Mahamaya Swami Sarvadevananda
- 26 Worship of Mother Durga at Belur Math Swami Sumanasananda

VISITING HOURS AND CONTACTS

HOLLYWOOD CENTER

1946 Vedanta Pl. Los Angeles, CA 90068 (323) 465 7114 **Temple Hours** 6:30 – 7:45 AM Noon – 1:15 PM

> 6 – 7 PM (Class nights to 8:30 PM) Sundays 10:30 AM – 1:15 PM

Bookshop Hours

 Thurs. - Fri.
 11 AM - 1 PM, 2:30 - 4:30 PM

 Sat.
 11 AM - 5 PM

 Sun.
 10:30 AM - 2 PM

 Closed Mon. - Wed.

SANTA BARBARA CENTER

927 Ladera Lane Santa Barbara, CA 93108 (805) 969 2903 Temple Hours

Daily 6:30 AM – 7 PM

Bookshop Hours

Thurs.–Sat. 11 AM - 5 PM Sun. 10:30 AM -12:30 PM

ORANGE COUNTY CENTER

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

19961 Live Oak Canyon Rd Trabuco Canyon, CA 92678 (949) 858 0342 Fri.–Sat. 9 AM – 11:45 AM Sun. 10 AM – 1:45 PM Bookshop other hours: Call (949) 326 3067

SAN DIEGO CENTER

1440 Upas St San Diego, CA 92103 (619) 291 9377

HIGH DESERT PIÑON HILLS RETREAT

PO BOX 720575; 720 Sage Rd Piñon Hills, CA 92372 (949) 326 2009

SOUTH PASADENA VIVEKANANDA HOUSE

309 Monterey Rd South Pasadena, CA 91030 (323) 254 1546 Visits by appointment

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VEDANTA TEACHINGS

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.

Quotes for the Month

Always repeat the name of God—while taking meals, while at bed, or when you are at your seat. Just close your lips and be busy only with the repetition of the name of God. ... Just repeat the name of 'Sri Durga'.

—Swami Turiyananda

When you are able to free yourself from these deep-seated subtle desires, when the mind becomes tranquil, then only can you become deeply absorbed in real meditation. The practice of japam and meditation brings the aspirant to this stage. —*Swami Brahmananda*

In order to attain wisdom of God and liberation for one's own self, one need only to receive the sacred mantras from an illumined guru and, with complete faith, become absorbed in the practice of japam and meditation. —*Swami Premananda*

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