

OCTOBER 2026

ALL EVENTS IN PERSON AND ONLINE  
UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

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HOLLYWOOD TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 4 The Heart of Spiritual Practice  
Pravrajika Saradeshaprana
- 11 “I am the Born, I am the Unborn”  
Swami Sarvadevananda
- 18 The Divine Beauty of Selfless Action  
Pravrajika Matriprana
- 25 The Goddess of Fortune  
Swami Arupeshananda

Nov 1 Ramakrishna in the  
Hymn by Vivekananda  
Swami Yogatmananda  
Head, Vedanta Society of Providence, RI

Classes

- Tuesdays 4:30 PM Online Only
- 6 No 4:30 Class
- 13,20,27 *Srimad Bhagavatam*  
Swami Sarvadevananda
- Tuesdays 7:30 PM  
*Svetasvatara Upanishad*  
Swami Sarvadevananda
- Wednesdays 7:30 PM  
*Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*  
7,14,21 Swami Sarvadevananda
- 28 Pravrajika Matriprana
- Thursdays 7:30 PM  
1,8,22,29 *Katha Upanishad*  
Swami Jnanasudhananda
- 15 *Letters of Swami Vivekananda*  
Swami Mahayogananda

- Fridays 7:30 PM
- 2,9,30 Teachings of Swami Premananda  
Swami Atmavidyananda
- 16 Crystal Bowl Meditation  
Swami Atmavidyananda and Alok
- 23 No Class
- Other Events
- Saturday 10 – Tues 20 Navaratri Chanting
- Monday 19 Sandhi Puja 10:27 to 11:15 AM
- 30 Friday 7 AM Vigil
- Saturdays
- 17 See Durga Puja in Santa Barbara
- 3, 31 2:30 – 4 PM Chanting Class  
Pr. Dayaprana Online Only
- 10 6 -8:30 AM Antaryoga Retreat  
On Prayer to Divine Mother  
Register by October 8  
[dayaprana@vedanta.org](mailto:dayaprana@vedanta.org)
- 10 9:15 AM – Noon : Karma Yoga
- 10 6:30 PM : Ram Nam
- Sundays 9-10:35 AM Online Only  
Sanskrit Class Sukirtha Alagarswamy  
Contact: [sukirtha@vedanta.org](mailto:sukirtha@vedanta.org)

PIÑON HILLS HIGH DESERT RETREAT

- 3 Saturday 10 AM to 1 PM  
*Gita* Retreat followed by Pot Luck Lunch  
Swami Arupeshananda
- 31 Saturday 9:30 AM – 4 PM  
Meditation on *Devi Mahatmyam*  
Register by Oct.29  
[dayaprana@vedanta.org](mailto:dayaprana@vedanta.org)

VIVEKANANDA HOUSE

- South Pasadena
- 11 Sunday 4 – 7 PM Retreat

SANTA BARBARA TEMPLE

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 4 In the Middle of What?  
Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 11 Music, Emotions, and Spiritual Practice  
Swami Atmavidyananda
- 18 “I am the Born, I am the Unborn”  
Swami Sarvadevananda
- 25 Aspects of the Divine Mother  
Pravrajika Vrajaprana

Classes and Other Events

Saturday 10 – Tues. 20 Navaratri Chanting  
Monday 19 Sandhi Puja 10:27 to 11:15 AM

- Wednesdays 5 PM  
*They Lived with God*  
by Swami Chetanananda  
Pravrajika Krishnaprana

Saturdays

- 10 9:15 AM – Noon  
Karma Yoga Day
- 3,10 5 PM  
*Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna*  
Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 17 No Class
- 24 Pravrajika Vrajaprana

31 Retreat: *Imitation of Christ*  
Swami Yogatmananda, Head  
Vedanta Society of Providence, RI  
9:30 AM – 5 PM  
Bring your own lunch

- 17 11 AM Durga Puja  
Followed by flower offering and  
prasad lunch

ORANGE COUNTY CENTER TRABUCO

RAMAKRISHNA MONASTERY

SUNDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 4 Crystal Bowl Guided Meditation  
Swami Atmavidyananda and Alok
- 11 First Principles  
Swami Vedarupananda
- 18 Our Divine Mother  
Swami Jnanasudhananda
- 25 In the Middle of What?  
Swami Chidbrahmananda

Wednesdays

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

Saturday. 10 – Tues 20 Navaratri Chanting  
17 See Durga Puja in Santa Barbara  
Monday 19 Sandhi Puja 10:27 to 11:15 AM

SAN DIEGO CENTER

SATURDAY SPIRITUAL TALKS 11 AM

- 3 Music, Emotion, and Spiritual  
Practice followed by  
Crystal Bowl Meditation  
Swami Atmavidyananda and Alok
- 10 First Principles  
Swami Vedarupananda
- 17 The Divine Mother and Her Shakti  
Dr. Sthaneshwar Timalsina,  
Prof., Stony Brook University, NY
- 24 In the Middle of What?  
Swami Chidbrahmananda
- 31 “I am the Born, I am the Unborn”  
Swami Sarvadevananda

Nov 2 Monday, 6:30 PM  
Catching the Train at Platform 9¾  
Swami Yogatmananda, Head  
Vedanta Society of Providence, RI

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 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM, 2:30 – 4:30 PM  
Sat 11 AM – 12:30 PM, 1 – 5 PM  
Sun 10 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

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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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ABOUT THE VEDANTA SOCIETY

The Vedanta Society of Southern California was founded in 1930 by Swami Prabha-vananda. The Society maintains a temple, convent, and monastery in Hollywood and Santa Barbara; a monastery and shrine at its San Diego and Orange County centers; and the Vivekananda House in South Pasadena. There are a number of official Vedanta societies in the United States and worldwide. Although the societies are under the spiritual guidance of the Ramakrishna Order of India, each is an independent 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.

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**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. Some of our centers maintain a lending library for the use of members.

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.

Quote for the Month

From *Spiritual Talks* by Swami Turiyananda

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. The Master would cite the example of the compass. The needle of a compass always points to the north. You may turn the needle away, but as soon as you let go the hold, it again points to the north. Your mind also should be so molded. If somebody comes and diverts your mind to any other topic, as soon as he leaves you, the mind should be again repeating His name. Just see—so long I was talking with you; as soon as I have stopped speaking, the song is going on within, “Why dost thou, my mind, become forgetful? Just repeat the name of Sri Durga”—exactly what the mind was doing before the conversation began.

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of Southern California

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