

HINDU TEMPLE OF GREATER CINCINNATI

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SRI VALLI DEVASENA SAMETHA SRI MURUGAN

MahaKumbhabhishekam

July 02-04, 2004

HIGHLIGHTS

***Main Kumbhabhishekam Ceremony, 09.00 -1.00 PM & 5.00
– 7.00 PM Kalyana Utsavam, Sunday, July 04**

***Chief Guest: Satguru Bodhinatha Veylan Swami, Kauai
(Hawaii) Hindu Monastery, Editor, Hinduism Today.
Discourse (English)By Swamigal on July3rd 6.00 PM & July
04th 11.15 AM**

***'SKANDA', A CD featuring Tiruppukazh and Thevaram
hymns. Composed & produced by Kanniks Kannikeswaran
released on July 03rd, 6.45 PM.**

*** Live Nadeswaram (July 04)**

*** Cultural Programs (July 04th 3.00 – 5.00 PM)**

-Please join us & Make this once in a life time event a memorable one-

Pooja Sponsorships

\$501: Participate in all poojas including **Sankalpam** for Homam (July 3rd: 10.30 AM & 5. 30 PM, July 4th: 10.00 AM), Santhanathi Thailam Kappu Poosuthal (July 3rd, 9.00 PM), Kalash Yatra (July 04th, 11.45 PM), Archana (July 04th, 1.00 PM), & Kalyana Utsavam (July 04th, 5.00 PM): **Receive:** Kalash (kumbum), Specially Released CD & Souvenir.

\$251: Participate in Kalash Yatra (July 04th, 11.45 PM), Archana (July 04th, 1.00 PM) & Kalyana Utsavam (July 04th, 5.00 PM): **Receive:** Kalash (kumbum), Specially Released CD & Souvenir.

\$101: Participate in Kalash Yatra (July 04th, 11.45 PM), Archana (July 04th, 1.00 PM): **Receive:** Specially Released CD & Souvenir.

\$21: Participate in Archana (July 04th, 1.00 PM).

\$5.00: Souvenir (including extra copies), **\$10.00:** Specially Released CD

\$501 sponsorships are available on a first-come-first serve basis because only a limited number of sponsors can be accommodated in the Homam. Therefore, it is advised to pre-sponsor the pooja of your choice at your earliest convenience by mailing a check for the appropriate amounts to: HSGC-Murugan, P. O. BOX 428511, Cincinnati, OH 45242.

Priests : Sri B. C. Sharma (Master of Ceremony), Sri Devanathan Shivachariar, Sivagama Sironmani Rajashanmukam (Guest Priest, North American Murugan Temple, MD), Sri Sirinivas Bhattar, Sri Kailas Chandra Sharma.

For more information: Balasubramaniam (513-794-0141), Jawaharlal (513-779-4863), Rajkumar (513-894-4790), Shanker (513-683-9028), Sivaganesan (513-563-2901), Kiran Dayal (Pooja Chair) (513-474-4051) or priests (513-528-3714).

Directions for Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati: From I-275 take exit 63A (32West)-drive about 1/4 mile, turn right onto OLD-74, turn left at the first STOP sign onto Summer Side Road. After about one mile, turn right into Klatter Road. Temple is at the end of Klatter Road. From Columbus: Take I-71 South to I-275 east, rest same as above; From Dayton: Take I-75 South to I-275 east, rest same as above; From Indianapolis: Take -I-74 east to I-275 North, rest same as above; From Lexington/Louisville: Take I-75/I-71 North to I-275 east, rest same as above. Temple Phone: (513)528-3714.

For Motels/Hotels: All nearby hotels have been blocked for some-other event during the July 04th weekend. **Arvin Patel (513-791-0855 or 513-241-7033)** can help you find hotels/motels for you.

JULY 2nd. FRIDAY MORNING POOJA

8:00 AM SWASTHI VACHAN, ANUGJAI, SRI VIGNEHWARAPOOJAI

- Acharya and elders blessing for the program and Ganesh Pooja

8:30 AM PUNYAHA VAACHANAM, PANCHAKAVYA POOJAI

- Reciting the vedic hymns for sanctification and Panchakavya pooja
- Panchakavya means – five things derived from a cow comprising of cow's milk, ghee, yogurt, urine and dung

9:00 AM VASTHU POOJA, RAKSHOKNA HOMAM, PRAVESABALI

- Vasthu Pooja is performed in honor of Vastu Purusha and his ceremonious eviction from the temple. After the puja, Vastu Purusha is invoked in the havan and ahutis offered to him. Following this Vastu Purusha is extracted out of the homa gunda, taken around the hall and finally thrown outside the temple. Bali(food) is placed outside the temple for Vastu Purusha's later use. Vastu Purusha has the boon from the almighty to inhabit new buildings. He has insatiable hunger and he should be evicted. If this is not done, he would engulf everything. Operating a temple, home or business with Vastu Purusha in it is like driving a car with a hole in fuel line.

- 9:45 AM BHOOMI POOJA, MRITH SANG GRAHANAM**
- Pooja is done to earth and soil is collected in clay pot to be taken to the yaga shala
- 10:15 AM RAKSHA BANDHANAM , KUMBHAALANKARAM**
- The priest will tie a blessed thread to the right wrist as well as those of all participants. Rakha Bandhan is a formidable barrier against any incident during this occasion that might otherwise defile a participant and prohibit participation in the ceremony
 - The priest will decorate and sanctify the puja kalasha and adding the 'Vasanathi Dravyas' into the kalasha. The kalasha is then taken to the yagashala mandapam for further worship
- 11:00 AM YAGASALA MANDAPA PRAVEASAM, ANKURARPPANAM**
- The priest takes the decorated kalasha while reciting the 'Veda mantras' and enters the yagashala mandapa
 - The priest plants seeds in the soil collected from bhoomi pooja.
- 11:30 AMYAGASALA POOJA & SRI SUBRAMANYA MOOLA MANTHRA HOMAM**
- Acharya and Rithvik worship the Kalasha invoking Lord Subramania and Sri Valli Devasen followed by the Vedic archana and Avarna Pooja.
 - Moola Mantra homa for Lord Subramnia is performed in the Agni
- 12:15 PM JALATHIVASAM**
- The priest will sanctify all the new deities by placing them in pot containing holy water
- 12:30 PM VISEASHA DRVYAAHUTHI**
- Various herbs, food offerings and Vasanadhi Dravyas are offered to lord Subramania in the Agni
- 12:45 PM POORNAAHUTHI & SHODASA UPACHARA POOJAI- PANCHAPURANAM**
- To complete the homam, offerings like beetle leaves, dakshina(coins) and havan herbs are tied in a silk cloth and offered to the fire
 - The priest will recite the sixteen upacharas and poems from the 5 Tamil epics
- 1:15 PM MANGALA ARTHI & PRSADAM FOLLOWED BY LUNCH**

JULY 2nd, FRIDAY EVENING POOJA

- 5:00 PM VIGNESHWARA POOJA, PUNYAVACHAANAM**
- Ganesha Pooja and recitation of the Vedic hymns for sanctification
- 5.30 PM ASHTADASHAKRIYAAVALI, NETRONMEELANAM, DASHA DARSHANAM**
- 18 rites to deities, symbolic opening of their eyes and showing 10 auspicious things to the deities
- 6.00 PM DEEPARADHANAI(AARATHI), PRASADAM**

JULY 3rd, SATURDAY MORNING POOJA

- 9.00 AM VISESHA SANDHI**
- The priest purifies himself and invokes all the beejaksharas(certain kinds of sounds like 'hraam', 'hream', 'hoom' etc) on each part of his body and performs Tharpanas for devas, rishis and pithrus
- 9.30 AM VIGNESHWARA POOJAI**
- Prayer to Lord Ganesha to remove all obstacles and make the event successful
- 10.00 AM SOORYA POOJA, DWARA POOJA AND VEDIKA ARCHANA**
- The priest worships the sun god(Surya) and the 4 entrances of the Yaga Mandapa, followed by Prathana Subramania Kalasha Pooja
- 10.30 AM AGNI KARYAM, SRI SUBRAMANIA SHADAKSHARA MOOLA MANTRA HOMAM**
- Agni Karyam (the first ceremony of fire), performed by lighting the first homa and sacrificing dravya (herbs) into it. Then, Agni was invoked through the sacred flame with ritual mantrams (shadaksharam) and mudras (gestures).

- 11.30 AM VISHESHA DRAVYAAHUTI**
- Various herbs, food offerings and Vasanaadhi Dravyas are offered to lord Subramania in the Agni
- 12.00 PM POORNAAHUTHI & SHODASA UPACHARA POOJAI-PANCHAPURANAM**
- To complete the homam, offerings like beetle leaves, dakshina(coins) and havan herbs are tied in a silk cloth and offered to the fire
 - The priest will recite the sixteen upacharas and poems from the 5 Tamil epics
- 12.30 PM KARPOORA MANGALA AARATHI & PRASADAM**
- JULY 3rd, SATURDAY EVENING POOJA**
- 4.30 PM VIGNESHWARA POOJAI, PUNYAHA VACHANAM, VEDIKA POOJA**
- Prayer to Lord Ganesha to remove all obstacles and make the event successful
 - The priest worships the sun god(Surya) and the 4 entrances of the Yaga Mandapa, followed by Prathana Subramania Kalasha Pooja
- 5.30 PM AGNI KARYAM, SRI SHANMUKA MOOLA MANTRA HOMAM**
- Agni Karyam (the first ceremony of fire), performed by lighting the first homa and sacrificing dravya (herbs) into it. Then, Agni was invoked through the sacred flame with ritual mantrams and mudras (gestures)
- 6.00 PM DISCOURSE BY HIS HOLINESS SATGURU BODHINATHA VEYLAN SWAMI**
- 6.45 PM HIS HOLINESS SATGURU BODHINATHA VEYLAN SWAMI RELEASING A SPECIALLY COMPOSED CD 'SKANDA' FEATURING TIRUPPUKAZH AND THEVARAM HYMNS FOLLOWED BY KANNIKESWARAN RECITING DEVOTIONAL SONGS FROM "SKANDA"**
- CD is composed & produced by Kanniks Kannikeswaran- a Cincinnati based musician and composer who has several albums and successful musical productions including the recently performed musical Shanti and The Blue Jewel from 1996 to his credit.
- 7.15 PM VISHESHA DRAVYAAHUTI**
- Various herbs, food offerings and Vasanaadhi Dravyas are offered to lord Subramania in the Agni
- 7.15 PM POORNAHUTI, ALANKARADEEPAM, SHODASHOPACHAARAM, MANTRAPUSHPAM, TEVAARA THIRUMAARAI OTHUTHAL, AASHERVADAM**
- Havan conclusion. Decoration with lamps, 16 steps puja
 - Recitation of verses from the Vedas and Thevaarams Tamil Thirumaarai, Blessings
- 8.00 PM KARPOORA MANGALA AARATHI & PRASADAM**
- 8.30 PM DINNER**
- 9.00 PM ASHTabandhana Marunthu SaaTruthaL, ,Shandanai Thaila Kaapu, PooshoodaL**
- Establishing a barrier with medicinal herbs in all 8 directions around the Deities; deities anointed with sandal wood paste, oil , and flowers.
- JULY 4th, SUNDAY MORNING POOJA**
- 8.00 AM VIGNESHWARA POOJAI, PUNYAHA VACHANAM**
- Prayer to Lord Ganesha to remove all obstacles and make the event successful
 - The priest worships the sun god(Surya) and the 4 entrances of the Yaga Mandapa, followed by Prathana Subramania Kalasha Pooja
- 8.30 AM YAGASALA POOJA**
- Acharya and Rithvik worship the Kalasha and marks the commencement of Puja
- 9.00 AM BHIMBA SUDHI**
- The priest will sanctify all new idols
- 9.30 AM DEVATHA'S RAKSHABANDHANAM**

- The priest will tie the sacred thread to all idols
- 10.00 AM SPARSGAAHUTI, TATTVAHOMAM**
- Havan performed and burnt offerings from Havan are smeared to various limbs of the deities
- 10.30 AM ISAANAADHI PANCHA BRAHMA SHADANGA MANTRA HOMAM, DRAVYAAHUTI**
- The priest performs specific bijakshara mantra homams
- 11.00 AM POORNAAHUTI, DEEPARADHANAI (AARATHI)**
- Havan conclusion & aarathi
- 11.15 AM DISCOURSE BY HIS HOLINESS SATGURU BODHINATHA VEYLAN SWAMI**
- 11.45 AM YATRADHAANAM, KALASHA PURAPPADU (PROCESSION OF KALASH)**
- The navagrahas are worshipped to obtain blessings for the auspicious kumbabisheka muhurtham and offer 'hiranyadhanam' to the acharyas
 - Kalasha is taken for the procession
- 12.15 PM MAHA KUMBABISHEKAM**
- The priest performs the 'Prana Prathishta' for Sri Valli Devasena sametha Sri Solai Subrahmania(Murugan) idols and offers the yaga kumbha water to the deities
- 12.30 PM MANGALA DRAVYA MAHA ABISHEKAM, SRI KANDASHASHTI KAVASA RAYANAM**
- Abishek and recitation of Sri Kanda Shasthi Kavasam
- 1.00 PM MAHAMANGALA KARPOORA DEEPARADHANAI(AARATHI), PRASADAM LUNCH**
- 3.00 PM CULTURAL PROGRAMS NADESWARAM, MURUGAN DANCE**
- 5.00 PM THIRU VINAYAGAR POOSAI, PUNYAGAVACHANAM**
- 5.15 PM SRI VALLI DEVASENA SAMETHA SRI SUBRAMANIA SWAMI (MURUGAN) THIRU KALYANA UTSAVAM**
- 6.15 PM SRI VALLI DEVASENA SAMETHA SRI SUBRAMANIA SWAMI URVALAM (PROCESSION)**
- 7.00 PM AARATHI AND PRASADAM DINNER**