

Guru Poornima 2005 - Sai Utsav

Shraddha



Saburi



With the inspiration and blessings of Sadguru Saibaba of Shirdi, and the support of Sai devotees, Shirdi Saibaba Prayer Center is celebrating a daylong festival of Sai Utsav, on the occasion of Guru Poornima, on Saturday July 23rd at Shri Swaminarayan (BAPS) Mandir.

Guru Poornima is celebrated on the full moon day of the month Ashada [July-August], traditionally spent in worshipping one's Guru or spiritual master. The celebration of Guru Poornima began in Shirdi around 1908. Sai Baba told his disciple Shri Dada Kelkar, "Do you know this day is the day to approach Gurus? Bring your worship articles". Then Shri Kelkar looked up the calendar and found that the day was Guru Poornima. Devotees started worshipping Shri Sai Baba as their Guru, and that practice is continuing not only in Shirdi but also by Sai devotees all over the world.

Sai Utsav will start at 9 am; will include traditional artis, Sai Abhishek with devotees' participation, Ganesh Homam, Sai Satya Vrata, Palki Utsav. There will be cultural programs to highlight the occasion of Guru Poornima, which include dances, skits, and songs.

Program Schedule

9:00 am	Ganesh Homam
9:45 am	Abhishek and Ashtotrasata Namavali
10:30 am	Samoohika Sai Satya Vrata
Noon	Madhyahna Arti
12:30 pm	Prasad (lunch)
2:00 pm	Parayan/Naam Jap
4:00 pm	Cultural Programs
6:00 pm	Dhoop Arti
6:30 pm	Bhajans
8:00 pm	Sai Palki Utsav
8:45 pm	Shej Arti
9:00pm onwards	Vote of thanks /Maha Prasad

Interested devotees can sponsor to participate personally in
✓ Ganesh Homam * - \$108/-
✓ Sai Satya Vrata - \$51/-
*--Limited Participation

Tickets can be obtained by

- Ø Sending an email to hamaresai@yahoo.com
- Ø Sending a check for total amount in the name of "Shirdi Saibaba Prayer Center" and mailing it to 725 Lake St NE, #139 Hopkins MN 55343.
- Ø Available at the Prayer Center from June 10.

You may kindly send email to hamaresai@yahoo.com or contact one of the volunteers to know more details.

Sreehari - 612 281 9554
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Sangeeta - 651 387 6552
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The Admission is \$25/- per person [Children below 10 free]. Breakfast, lunch and dinner provided.

All proceeds will go to the Permanent Shirdi Saibaba Prayer Center project.

Bow to Sri SAI, Peace be to ALL!

Email: hamaresai@yahoo.com

Web: <http://www.hamaresai.org>

Date: Guru Poornima– 2005 ** Saturday July 23rd 2005 from 9am – 9pm
Venue: Shri Swaminarayan Mandir(BAPS), 2300, Freeway Blvd, Brooklyn Center, MN 55427
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