

# SRI MANDIR

## August 2026 Newsletter



# MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE



The spirit of devotion and reverence continued to flourish at Sri Mandir throughout July 2026 as our community came together to honour the sacred tradition of Guru Poornima. On this auspicious occasion, devotees gathered at the temple to express deep gratitude to our spiritual gurus and teachers whose wisdom guides our lives. The temple resonated with divine energy during the special Guru Poornima Pooja, featuring soul-stirring bhajans, sacred Vedic chanting, and heartfelt offerings at the lotus feet of the Divine. It was a profound day of reflection and unity, reminding us of the timeless light of knowledge that dispels darkness and strengthens our collective spiritual journey.

# MESSAGE FROM THE COMMITTEE



As July drew to a close, the sacred month of Shrawan Maas commenced in August, bringing a season of deep spiritual renewal and devotion to Lord Shiva. Throughout this holy month, Sri Mandir warmly invites all devotees to join us every Monday—a day held particularly sacred for worshiping Mahadev. Our Monday gatherings feature special Shiva Abhishekam, the chanting of holy mantras, and the offering of Bilva leaves, filling the temple with divine peace. We encourage you and your family to visit the temple each Shrawan Somvar to seek Lord Shiva's blessings, participate in the evening aarti, and share in the vibrant collective devotion of our community.

For Sri Mandir Executive Committee  
**Chand Chadha**  
President

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRIESTS



Dear Devotees,

By the divine grace of Shree Radha Krushna ji and our beloved deities, I send my warmest greetings and blessings to every devotee and their loved ones.

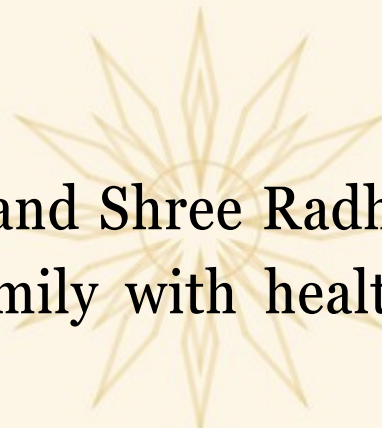
The month of July filled our hearts with immense reverence as we gathered to celebrate the auspicious occasion of Guru Poornima, honoring Maharishi Ved Vyas and all spiritual gurus whose eternal wisdom lights our path

I am delighted to inform all devotees of the arrival of the holy month of Shrawan Maas, commencing this August — a most sacred time dedicated to Lord Shiva. To mark this divine season, Sri Mandir invites all devotees and their families to join us every Monday evening for Shrawan Somvar Pooja from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM, followed by Bhog, Aarti, and Bhojan Prasad. Together, we will perform special Shiva Abhishekam, offer Bel patra, and chant sacred mantras.

# MESSAGE FROM THE PRIESTS



August month marks the most auspicious month for every Indian, the month of our Independence. Sri Mandir had organised an special event on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2026 **Azadi ke Rang, Faujiyo ke Sang** to celebrate our 80<sup>th</sup> Independence day



May Lord Shiva and Shree Radha Krushna shower you and your family with health, happiness, and prosperity

**Temple Priests**





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# **Shravan Maas Pooja**

**Every Monday Pooja 6pm to 7.30pm**

**Purnant : 30 July to 28 Aug 2026**

**3, 10, 17 & 24 Aug**

**Amant : 13 Aug to 11 Sep 2026**

**17, 24, 31 Aug, & 07 Sep**

**( 7.30pm onward regular Mondays Pooja resumes with bhog Aarti n Bhojan Prasad)**

**Shravan Shivratri : 11 Aug, 6:00 - 7:30 PM**

**Shiv Pooja and Abhishek Ramayan paath , followed by Tuesday pooja**

**For offering If you wish you can bring:**

**Flowers & Bel patra**

**Pooja Booking email to [pooja@srimandir.org](mailto:pooja@srimandir.org)**

**Donations:**

**Electronic Fund transfer**

**Account Name: Sri Mandir**

**BSB: 062 223**

**Account: 11067599**

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## Bhajan Sandhya

An evening of devotional music with

**Avijit Sarkar, Pushpa Jagadish  
& GUNJAN Choir Group**

**Accompanied on tabla by Abhijit Dan**

### 30 August 2026

**Sunday 05:00 PM - 07:00PM**

*Followed by Bhog, Aarti & Bhojan Prasad*

**Sri Mandir**

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All devotees are cordially invited to join us this evening with family and friends to enjoy the sweet nectar of Bhakti and Sangeet.

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# KRUSHNA JANAMASTMI 2026



## EVENING KRUSHNA JANMASTMI PROGRAM

- 6:30 PM ONWARDS: Bhajan, Kirtan & Pooja

## SPECIAL EVENTS

- 9:00 PM – 9:30 PM: Matki Phod (for children)
- 12:00 MIDNIGHT: KRUSHNA JANMOTSAV

**Sri Mandir me anand bhayo, Jai Kanhaiya laal ki**

**FRIDAY, 4 SEPT 2026**



## TEMPLE TIMING NOTE

The temple will remain open from 9:00 AM – 12:00 midnight for darshan, with continuous devotional services

## VENUE & CONTACT DETAILS

- 286 Cumberland Rd, Auburn • EMAIL: [srimandir@hotmail.com](mailto:srimandir@hotmail.com)
- EMAIL: [srimandir@hotmail.com](mailto:srimandir@hotmail.com) • WEBSITE: [www.srimandir.org](http://www.srimandir.org)

## SPECIAL OFFERINGS

Bhojan Prasad will be served. (Flowers, Fruits, and Bhojan sponsorship welcome)



## DONATION DETAILS

- ACCOUNT NAME: Sri Mandir • BSB: 062 223 • ACCOUNT NUMBER: 11067599
- WEBSITE (RETAINED): [www.srimandir.org](http://www.srimandir.org)

# PANCHAKSHARI MANTRA



**ॐ नमः शिवाय**

**English Transliteration**

**Om Namah Shivaya**

**Meaning**

**I bow down to Lord Shiva.**

**Benefit**

**Clears the mind, calms the five elements within the body, and removes negative energy**

# MAHA MRITYUNJAYA MANTRA



ॐ त्र्यम्बकं यजामहे सुगन्धिं पुष्टिवर्धनम्  
उर्वारुकमिव बन्धनान्मृत्योर्मुक्षीय  
माऽमृतात्

English Transliteration

Om Tryambakam Yajamahe Sugandhim  
Pushtivardhanam Urvarukamiva Bandhanan  
Mrityormukshiya Maamritat

Meaning

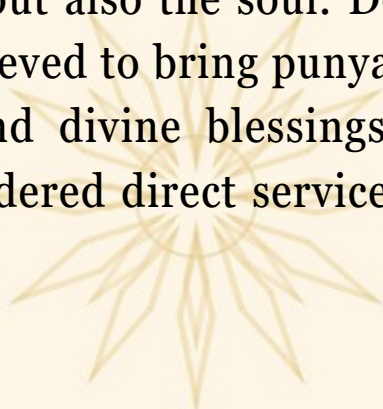
We worship the three-eyed Lord Shiva who  
nourishes all beings. May he free us from death  
and fear, leading us to immortality just as a ripe  
melon falls off its vine.

# **BHOJAN PRASAD SEVA**



## **Importance of Food Donation in Sanātan Dharma**

In Sanātan Dharma, Anna Dāna (food donation) is regarded as one of the highest forms of charity. Scriptures declare that offering food nourishes not only the body but also the soul. Donating food with devotion is believed to bring punya (spiritual merit), compassion, and divine blessings. Serving Bhojan Prasad is considered direct service to Bhagavān and humanity.



## **Bhojan Prasad at the Temple**

The Temple provides free Bhojan Prasad to devotees:

- On a weekly basis (Mondays, Tuesday and Saturday)
- On festival days
- On special religious and cultural occasions

This sacred service is conducted with devotion and the collective support of generous donors.

# BHOJAN PRASAD SEVA



## Ways to Contribute to Bhojan Prasad Seva

Devotees who wish to participate in this noble service may do so in the following ways:

- **Donation of Groceries**
  - Essential food items and groceries may be donated directly at the Temple.
- **Monetary Donation**
  - Donations may be made to the Temple Food Services Fund. Official donation receipts will be provided.
- **Full Bhojan Prasad Seva Sponsorship**
  - Devotees may sponsor the entire day's Bhojan Prasad on special occasions such as:
    - Birthdays
    - Marriage anniversaries
    - In loving memory of near and dear family members

## Booking & Enquiries

Bhojan Prasad Seva can be arranged by

- Speaking directly with authorised Temple personnel, or
- Sending an email to [bhojanprasad@srимandir.org](mailto:bhojanprasad@srимandir.org).

**By contributing to Bhojan Prasad Seva,  
you help spread nourishment, devotion, and divine grace.**

# **POOJA SERVICES**

## **AT TEMPLE OR AT HOME**



### **Poojas That Can Be Performed**

All Sanskar Poojas, excluding Antyeshti / Last Rites  
Gruha Pravesha / Vastu Shanti / Bhoomi Pooja  
Birthday Pooja  
Marriage Anniversary Pooja  
Punya Tithi Pooja  
Shraddha (Pitru) Pooja – Tarpan & Havan  
Religious Marriage Celebrant available  
Navgraha Pooja  
Satyanarayan Ji Pooja (with or without Havan)  
Rudrabhishek

### **Weekly Pooja**

Mondays - Shiv Pooja

Tuesdays - Ramayan Path & Hanuman Chalisa

Saturday - Shani Pooja, Navgraha Pooja  
& Hanuman Chalisa

**Followed by Bhog, Aarti and Bhojan Prasad for  
each day**

# **POOJA SERVICES AT TEMPLE OR AT HOME**



## **Other Poojas & Rituals**

Pooja for First Child Visit  
Vehicle (Vahan) Pooja  
Chhatra Pooja  
Paduka Pooja  
Udyapan Pooja (Mondays)  
All Udyapan Poojas can be performed  
Sundarkand Paath

## **Horoscope Services**

### **JP Services**

## **Marriage Celebrant Services**



# POOJA BOOKING



## Guidance for Pooja Booking

Pooja services can be arranged at the Temple or at your home, as per your requirement.

### Options for Booking:

#### Booking in Person (At the Temple)

Please visit the Temple and book the Pooja directly with Pandit Ji.

#### Booking by Email

You may also book a Pooja by sending an email to:  
[pooja@srимandir.org](mailto:pooja@srимandir.org)

### Please mention the following details

Full Name

Contact Number

Type of Pooja

Location of Pooja(Temple or Home)

Address

Preferred Date

Preferred Time

Our team will contact you to confirm the booking and provide further details. 🙏 Your cooperation helps us serve you better.

# MONTHLY CALENDAR



| Date        | Day | Event                        |
|-------------|-----|------------------------------|
| 02/8/2026   | Sun | Sankashti Chaturthi          |
| 09/8/2026   | Sun | Kamika Ekadashi              |
| 10/8/2026   | Mon | Som Pradosh                  |
| 12/8/2026   | Wed | Amavasya                     |
| 17/8/2026   | Mon | Sankrant                     |
| 23/8/2026   | Sun | Shravan Ekadashi             |
| 25/8/2026   | Tue | Pradosh                      |
| 28/8/2026   | Fri | Raksha Bandhan               |
| 31/8/2026   | Mon | Sankashti Chaturthi          |
| 13/8 - 11/9 |     | Kartikadik Shravan Maas      |
| 04/9/2026   | Fri | Janmaastami                  |
| 07/9/2026   | Mon | Aja Ekadashi                 |
| 08/9/2026   | Tue | Pradosh                      |
| 10/9/2026   | Thu | Amavasya                     |
| 14/9/2026   | Mon | Hartalika (KevdaTeej)        |
| 14/9/2026   | Mon | Ganesh Chaturthi             |
| 17/9/2026   | Thu | Sankrant                     |
| 20/9/2026   | Sun | Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration |

# MONTHLY CALENDAR



| Date          | Day | Event                                                                 |
|---------------|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 22/9/2026     | Tue | Parivarthini Ekadashi                                                 |
| 24/9/2026     | Thu | Pradosh                                                               |
| 25/9/2026     | Fri | Anant Chaturdashi                                                     |
| 26/9/2026     | Sat | Poornima                                                              |
| 27/9 - 10/10  |     | Pitru Paksh                                                           |
| 29/9/2026     | Tue | Sankashti Chaturthi (Moonrise 8.51pm)                                 |
| 6/10/2026     | Tue | Indira Ekadashi                                                       |
| 8/10/2026     | Thu | Pradosh                                                               |
| 10/10/2026    | Sat | Sarvapitru Amvasaya                                                   |
| 10/10/2026    | Sat | Sarva Pitru Amavasya                                                  |
| 11/10 - 19/10 |     | Shaardiya/Ashwini Navaratri                                           |
| 17/10/2026    | Sat | Mata Ki Chowki                                                        |
| 17/10/2026    | Sat | Sankrant                                                              |
| 19/10/2026    | Mon | Durga Ashtami, Mata Ki Chowki & Kanjak Pooja at Sri Mandir            |
| 20/10/2026    | Tue | Dusherra/ Vijya Dashmi                                                |
| 22/10/2026    | Thu | Pashamkush Ekadashi                                                   |
| 23/10/2026    | Fri | Pradosh                                                               |
| 25/10/2026    | Sun | Sharad/ Ashwin Poornima                                               |
| 29/10/2026    | Sun | Karva Chauth, Details of the pooja will be provided close to the date |

# MONTHLY CALENDAR



| Date       | Day | Event                            |
|------------|-----|----------------------------------|
| 1/11/2026  | Sun | Ahoi Ashtami                     |
| 5/11/2026  | Thu | Rama Ekadashi                    |
| 6/11/2026  | Fri | Dhanteras                        |
| 6/11/2026  | Fri | Pradosh                          |
| 7/11/2026  | Sat | Choti Diwali/Kali Chaudas        |
| 8/11/2026  | Sun | Deepawali                        |
| 9/11/2026  | Mon | Amavasya                         |
| 10/11/2026 | Tue | Goverdhan Puja & Annakut Darshan |
| 11/11/2026 | Wed | Bhai Dooj                        |
| 14/11/2026 | Sat | Labh Paacham                     |
| 16/11/2026 | Mon | Sankranti                        |
| 20/11/2026 | Fri | Tulsi Vivah                      |
| 20/11/2026 | Fri | Prabodhani (Devuthi) Ekadashi    |
| 22/11/2026 | Sun | Ravi Pradosh                     |
| 24/11/2026 | Tue | Dev Diwali (Poornima)            |
| 27/11/2026 | Fri | Sankashti Chaturthi              |

# CODE OF CONDUCT



To maintain the sanctity, cleanliness, and spiritual atmosphere of the Temple, all devotees are requested to kindly observe the following guidelines:

## Do's

- ✓ Kindly remove footwear and wash hands before entering, as a gesture of purity and respect.
- ✓ Dress modestly and neatly, honouring the sacredness of the Temple environment.
- ✓ Maintain silence and a calm, prayerful mindset to preserve the spiritual atmosphere.
- ✓ Follow the guidance of Temple priests, volunteers, and management with humility and cooperation.
- ✓ Supervise children with care, helping them understand respectful conduct within the Temple.
- ✓ Offer prayers and perform rituals only in designated areas, as guided by Temple authorities.
- ✓ Keep the Temple premises clean and pure by using designated waste bins.
- ✓ Show patience by consideration towards fellow devotees by maintaining orderly movement and queues.
- ✓ Please take only a limited quantity of food on your plate, according to your appetite. You may take a second serving after finishing your first helping.

## Dont's

- ✗ Kindly refrain from entering the Temple by crossing gates or fences at any time.
- ✗ Please do not pluck flowers, leaves, fruits, tulsi patra, or grass from Temple plants.
- ✗ Do not leave broken idols, religious books, frames, calendars, or pooja items in or around the Temple.
- ✗ Please avoid leaving personal or household belongings within the Temple premises.
- ✗ Refrain from littering or obstructing driveways, entrances, or emergency access areas.
- ✗ Kindly do not light or offer candles inside the Temple.
- ✗ Smoking, alcohol consumption, and the use of intoxicants are strictly prohibited within the Temple grounds.
- ✗ Please refrain from promoting, collecting, or conducting any external donation or fundraising activities within Sri Mandir.
- ✗ Kindly do not distribute flyers, magazines, or any promotional material within the Temple premises.
- ✗ Do not waste food. Wasting Prasad is considered disrespectful.

Inappropriate attire (such as shorts, sleeveless tops, short skirts, or revealing clothing) is not permitted inside the Temple.

# THE SACRED RUDRABHISHEK: INVOKING LORD SHIVA'S GRACE DURING THE HOLY MONTH OF SHRAVAN



Among the many sacred observances dedicated to Lord Shiva, Rudrabhishek holds a place of unparalleled reverence. It is the ceremonial bathing Shraavan inspire every devotee to participate in Rudrabhishek with devotion, chant “Om Namah Shivayaajurveda. More than a ritual, Rudrabhishek is an expression of devotion, surrender, and gratitude, inviting the blessings of Lord Shiva for inner peace, spiritual growth, and the welfare of all beings.

The holy month of Shravan is especially dear to Lord Shiva. According to the Puranas, during the Samudra Manthan (the churning of the cosmic ocean), Lord Shiva compassionately consumed the deadly Hālāhala poison to protect the universe. To soothe the intense heat generated by the poison, the Devas offered sacred water over Him. This act of devotion forms the spiritual foundation of the Abhishek performed by devotees even today. The monsoon rains of Shravan beautifully symbolize nature itself offering worship to Mahadeva, inspiring us to approach Him with hearts filled with humility and love.

Every offering in Rudrabhishek carries profound symbolism. Pure water signifies purity of mind and the washing away of ego. Milk represents compassion and nourishment, curd symbolizes strength and prosperity, honey reflects sweetness in speech and relationships, while ghee signifies the light of divine wisdom. The sacred Bilva leaves, especially beloved by Lord Shiva, remind us to offer our body, mind, and soul in complete surrender. These offerings are not merely external acts; they inspire us to cultivate purity, kindness, self-control, and devotion in our daily lives.

Shravan is not simply a month for performing rituals—it is a sacred invitation to transform ourselves. While offering water to the Shiva Linga, we are encouraged to cleanse our own hearts of anger, pride, jealousy, and attachment. As the Vedic mantras resonate through the temple, they remind us that true worship is the union of sincere devotion and righteous living.

The scriptures declare that Rudrabhishek performed with faith brings peace of mind, removes obstacles, and strengthens spiritual resolve. Yet its greatest blessing is awakening the awareness that Lord Shiva resides within every heart. When we perform this sacred worship during Shravan with humility, faith, and compassion, we do not merely honour Mahadeva—we invite His divine qualities into our own lives.

May this sacred month of Shravan inspire every devotee to participate in Rudrabhishek with devotion, chant “Om Namah Shivaya” with unwavering faith, and walk the path of purity, service, and inner transformation under the boundless grace of Lord Shiva.

# Donation Drive of SRI Mandir for Construction of New Temple at 95 old Pitt town road Pitt Town, NSW



## DONATIONS



### Item

### Donation Amount

|                       |          |
|-----------------------|----------|
| Deity Installation    | \$25,001 |
| Room Construction     | \$21,001 |
| Door Construction     | \$5,101  |
| Window Construction   | \$2,101  |
| Mango Tree Plantation | \$2,101  |
| Bench Installation    | \$2,101  |
| 12 Brick              | \$501    |
| 5 Bricks              | \$201    |
| 1 Bricks              | \$51     |



### Special Honor:

 Names of Donors above \$1,100 will be displayed in board at the Temple.

### Ways to Donate:

- Electronic Fund transfer
  - Account Name: Sri Mandir
  - BSB: 062 443
  - Account: 11001618
- Debit/Credit Card
- Cash at Mandir
- Scan to donate

### Details to be provided for Receipt:

- Full Name
- Contact Number
- Donated Amount
- Email



 Contact For assistance or queries 

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 Chand Chadha: 0410 636 199,  Chander Gupta: 0430 331 455,  
 Rajesh Sethi: 0414 488 850,  Amita Kant: 0431 771 525



Let's Build the Temple Together



Your support will help create a sacred space for ongoing generations of devotees to come. Your donations & contributions will enhance our spiritual heritage and form the foundation of development of our blessed temple.

सब भवन्तुसु खनः। सब सन्तु नरामयाः। सब भा ण पश्यन्तु। मा क द ्खभागभवेत्॥

# THANK YOU



# WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!