



# आराधना

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**Krishan Janmastami**  
September 5th, 2015



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## Shri Krishna Janmashtami (Birthday of Lord Krishna)

**September 5th Saturday 2015**  
**5.30pm to 12midnight**



- 5:30pm Shri Krishna Puja & Abhishek
- 6:15 pm Archana \*\*
- 6:30pm Procession
- 8:00 pm Aarti & Prasad /Dinner
- 9:30 pm Bhajans /Keertan / Pravachan  
(Shree Krishna Leela)
- 11:45 \*\*\*Shri Krishna Janmotsav  
Puja / Aarti & Prasad

**Sponsorship For Puja \* \$101.00, Archana\*\* \$21.00 , \*\*\*Janmotsava Puja \$251.00,**  
For Details please call Sangita Patel 791-0855, Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382.Temple 513-528-3714

**We now accept  
Credit Cards**

**Please contact a  
priest for further  
information**

### Notice of the General Body Meeting

The General Body Meeting of the Hindu Society of Greater  
Cincinnati will be held on Sunday, August 30, 2015 at 12.00  
noon at 4920 Klatte Road, Cincinnati, OH-45244.

## **EXECUTIVE COUNCIL 2015**

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dixitnoh@gmail.com

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Co-Chair- Indira Murthy

## **PRIESTS**

**Chief Priest:** Acharya Kailash Sharma: 513-652-5382

acharyaksharma@yahoo.com

**Priest:** Acharya Chakreshwar Sharma: 513-528-0901

achayachakreshwar@yahoo.com

**Priest:** Pandit Srinath Bhattar: 513-488-2986

bhattarsrinath@yahoo.com

## **RELIGIOUS COUNSELOR**

Dr. Koti Sreekrishna: 513-290-3064:tatachar@aol.com

## **TEMPLE SCHEDULE**

**Monday-Friday:** 9.00 AM-12.00 Noon & 5.00 PM-8.00 PM

**Saturday & Major Hindu Holidays (Maha Shivratri, Krishna Janamashtmi, Ganesh Chaturthi, Deepawali)** 9.00 AM- 8PM

**Sunday:** 9.00 AM- 7.00 PM (NOV.-MAR), 9AM-8PM (APR-OCT)

## **SPECIAL PROGRAMS ON WEEKENDS**

**9.15 - 9.30 AM:** Suprabhatam

**9.30 - 11.00 AM** Daily Puja of Temple Dieties

**11.00-11.30 AM** Sponsored Puja

**11.30-12.15 PM** Bhajans

**12.15-12.45 PM** Religious Discourse

**12.45-1.00 PM** Birthdays, Anniversary Pujas  
& Announcements

**1.00 PM** Aarti & Prasad

## **RELIGIOUS DISCOURSE**

**Sundays: 12.15-12.45 PM**

**Fourth Sunday:** Upnishads

**Second Sunday:** 1008 Gayatri Jaap & Children Program

**Third Sunday:** Sunder Kand Path

**Fourth Sunday:** Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

**Fifth Sunday:** Jagannath Puja

## **2015 Puja Committee & Religious Activities Members**

Sangita Patel (Chair)	513-791-0855
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Kalpna Srivastava	513-233-9154
Vasundhara Dasari	513-777-3353
Suchitra Mishra	513-573-9775
Rajan Odavar	513-336-6843
Vilas Patel	513-226-2154
Triveni Dave	859-371-9645
Mangal Nemade	513-234-8373
Purabi Dey	513-688-1721
Yasotha Subarajan	513-754-0578

## **Treasurer Co-Chair**

Meena Karamchandani	513-259-4015
Raj Badolia	513-754-0400

## **Temple Manager's Committees**

**Manager:** Laxmi Srivastava 513-474-0533

**Chair Special Activities:**

**Raj Badolia 513-583-0184**

**Office Manager:** Mohan Chopra

**I/C Swami Lectures:** Vinay Kumar, Meena Mehta,  
Koti Srikrishna

**Temple Database:** Nandkumar Khemchandani,  
Raj Badolia, Meena Mehta

**Anniversary &**

**Birthdays Data:** Raj Agarwal, Shakuntala Agarwal

**E-Mail Data:** Pradeep Goyal, Nandkumar Khemchandani

**Gift Shop:** Meena Sondhi, Madhu Sharma

**Security:(ADT):** Meena Mehta, Vinay Kumar,  
Ramesh Sondhi, Kailash Sharma

**Financial Data:** Amar Sharma, Raj Badolia,  
Laxmi Srivastava

**Project Manager:** Vithal Nemade

**I/C Temple Website:** Bharat Vala, Greg Smith,  
Sudhakar Vinod,

**I/C Temple Calender:** Meena Mehta, Ashvin Mehta,  
Acharya Kailash Sharma

**Volunteer Services:** Rajan Odayar, Kedarnath Nambori,  
Dilip Patel, Vijay Kumar Sharma

**Temple Photographer:** L. Ram Kumar, Naba Mishra,  
V G Ramaswamy, Mardav Bhakshi

**Mela Committee:** Anil Jindal, Anisha Jindal, Jyoti Desai,  
Raneshwar Gupta

**Attorney:** Aronoff, Rosen & Hunt 513-241-0400

Members of Community are invited to speak on topics related to Hindu religion, philosophy, culture, reformation, Gurus, self-preservation, etc. If you would like to talk or like to suggest someone who may be interested, please contact Kiran Dayal

Devotees are requested to sit-in Sunday Puja as well bring Prasad & Lunch. You may wish to use this occasion to celebrate important events such as wedding anniversaries, birthdays, ishta devta puja, graduation and other memorable days. Events can be hosted by individuals, families, groups of families or organizations. Please reserve your Sunday of choice ASAP by putting your name & phone number on the calender at the temple & calling Puja Committee members Kiran Dayal/ Meena Sondhi

Please donate generously. Your temple needs: SPONSORS FOR FLOWERS \$ 50/WEEK, SUNDAY PUJAS, AND YOUR SUPPORT

## Puja Information

### RATES FOR PUJA & PRIEST SERVICES

SERVICES	IN TEMPLE	OUTSIDE TEMPLE
Abhishekam (All Deities)	\$101.00	—
Aksharabhyas	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anna-Prashanam	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashta Prakari Puja*	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ashtottharam (108) Archana	\$21.00	—
AyushyaHomam/B'day Celebra.	\$101.00	\$151.00
Ground Breaking Ceremony	—	\$151.00
Griha Pravesha	—	\$151.00
Kalayana Uthsava (Lord Ram/Sita)	\$121.00	---
Kesh Khandan (Churakaran)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Naam-Karan	\$101.00	\$151.00
Navagraha Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Nischitartham (Engagement)	\$151.00	\$251.00
Baby Shower Puja	—	\$151.00
Nitya (1 Day) Kaikaryam (Seva)	\$101.00	---
Poolangi Seva (With Flowers)- (Only During Off Winter Season)	\$101.00	---
Regular Archana	\$11.00	—
Sahasranama (1008) Archana	\$51.00	---
Sathyanarayana Puja	\$101.00	\$151.00
Seemantham	\$101.00	\$151.00
Devi Jagaran	\$75.00	\$101.00
Akhand Ramayan Paath	—	\$151.00
Shashti Poorthi (60th B'day Celeb.)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Anniversary celebration	\$101.00	\$151.00
Suprabhat Seva	\$21.00	---
Unjal (Swing) Seva	\$31.00	---
Upakarma (Thread changing)	\$51.00	---
Upanayam/Brahmopadesham/ Thread Ceremony	\$151.00	\$251.00
Vahan Puja	\$51.00	----
Yearly Shradham (Barkhi)	\$101.00	\$151.00
Wedding	\$301.00	\$501.00

### SPECIAL PUJA RATE

Rates for Mata Ki Chauki performed at another temple will be 15% of the money collected at the temple or a minimum of \$ 501.00.

1. Pujas performed by priests outside the temple will be rated according to the number of Pujas performed.
2. 50 Cents/Miles for Travel expense to the Priest to perform Puja at your home.

Rates are subject to change without notice. Rates of Pujas out of Greater Cincinnati will be \$100.00 more than the rates of outside Puja within greater Cincinnati area.

#### CHECK-OUT

<http://newbhagavadgita.blogspot.com/2010/04/shock-treatment-in-bhagavad-gita.html>

### Temple Rental: Lower Floor Only

	Full day	Half day
Monday -Thursday (except holidays)	\$401	\$225
Friday, Saturday, Sunday & Holidays	\$601	\$401
<b>Sunday after 3PM –11 pm only</b>	<b>\$401</b>	

**Note:** For half day select one of the two:

8:00 AM to 2:00 PM **OR** 3:00PM to 11:00 PM

**USE OF KITCHEN \$ 51**

**Use of Paper Supplies (PS) \$ 101**

**Use of Kitchen and PS \$125**

Temple rental applies to all private reservations for those events/Pujas that are performed by private parties and not announced in the temple.

**Security/ Cleaning deposit:** \$200 required.

This deposit will be forfeited if the basement hall bathrooms and kitchen area are not cleaned by the party renting the place.

**NOTE: To schedule a Puja please contact**

**Puja Committee : Sangita Patel 513-791-0855 or**

**to rent a temple hall (lower level) Raneshwar Gupta 232-3331**

## Puja Committee Announcement:

If you have any question or suggestion about temple activities contact Sangita Patel 513-791-0855, any EC Members or Temple at 528-3714.

1.

**1 Archana** performed during temple hours by sponsorship. No Archana on Sundays between 11 a.m.-1 p.m.

1. **Outside Pujas** and other religious services will be conducted by appointment only.
2. To **schedule any Pujas** please contact Puja Committee chairperson at least one week in advance.
3. If you would like to bring **food and prasada** in the temple, Please contact Puja Committee chairperson .
4. **Cancellations** of Puja should be done 3 days in advance or else the full fee for the Puja will be charged.

## PUJA SAMAGRI

**For convenience of Devotees, Temple can now provide Puja Samagri for all inside and outside Pujas.**

Donation for Puja Samagri is as follows

\$ 21 for any Puja

\$ 31 for any Puja including Havan/Homam

For more details please contact

Sangita Patel 513-791-0855



### IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

**SUNDERKAND CD** (sung by Acharya Kailash Sharma)

AVAILABLE in Temple Gift Shop for **\$ 10.**

The money raised will go to temple.



## Regular Weekly & Monthly Events at the Temple

### Monthly Navgrah Puja

Every first Saturday of the Month  
Sponsors needed for Puja \$51.00  
For Details call

Sangita Patel 791-0855 ; Temple priests: 528-3714

### Monthly Murugan Abhishekham / Puja

Every second Sat of the Month  
Sat 4pm Sponsor Murugan Group.

Pandit Bhattar 488-2986,  
Murali Annamali 827-5450,  
Yasotha Subarajan 754-0578

Priests : 529-3714; Sangita Patel 791-0855



### Monthly Satya Narayan Puja

On Every Purnima of the Month  
6:30 pm

**Sponsorship \$ 51.00**

To sponsor Puja call  
Sangita Patel 791-0855  
Temple priests: 528-3714



### Shri Ganesh Puja & Shri Ganesh Atharvshirsha Path

Every 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month 10:30AM

This Puja is dedicated to each month's  
Sankashti Chaturthi to Lord Ganesh.

**For more information & To Sponsor the Puja please call**

Jyoti Divekar 204-8037, Mangal Nemade 234-8373

**Sangita Patel 791-0855; Temple Priests: 528-3714**

### SAI BHAJAN

Every First Sat. of month 6pm to 7:30pm  
For more details please call Dr. Ganesh 857-719-1500,  
Rajan 331-2058.



### Monthly ABHISHEKAM/KALYANOTSAVAM FOR LORD SRI VENKATESWARA

4th Saturday of each month,  
from 10:30 AM-12:30PM.

**To sponsor and details please call any of the following:**

Anand Konda: 481-4119; Vasundhara Dasari: 777-3353  
Suseela Paturi: 481-8591; Surendra Hanumanthanna: 661-8733  
Pandit Sri Srinadh Bhattar: 488-2986

### 1008 Gayatri Jap

**Second Saturday of each month at 9.30AM**

**For details please contact temple priest 528-3714 or  
Sangita Patel 791-0855**

### Weekly Shri Mahiman Stotram

Every Monday at 6:30 pm



### Weekly Hanuman Chalisa Path

Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. To sponsor call  
Sangita Patel 791-0855 or Temple Priests 528-3714



### Weekly Vishnu Sahasranaam Parayana

Vishnu Sahasranaama Parayana (chanting) will now take place  
Every Thursday at 7:00 pm. Please join us for the chanting.  
Please contact Ganesh Sundaresan 513-752-4025

### Weekly Venkateswar Puja

Every Friday at 6:30pm

To sponsor Puja please call Sangita Patel 791-0855  
Temple priests: 528-3714

### PURUSHOTTAM NAAM STOTRA PARAYAN

Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wed. of each month  
6pm to 7:30pm  
details please call Mina Mehta 574-6763



## NANDMAHOTSAVA Sep 13th– Sunday 10.30 AM

### Program

Shri Bal Krishna Puja, Palna Darshan  
Badhai to Nand Yashoda by -Vraj Vasi  
Shivaji comes for Bal Krishna Darshan  
Children Program Dahi--Handi by Children  
Bhajan and Kirtans Thal, Arati and Mahaprasad

**Sponsored by- Shrinath ji devotees**



## September 2015

Sep	1st	Tues	Chaturthi Puja 6pm
Sep	5th	Sat.	Shri Krishna Janmashtami 5pm to 12midnight Sponsored by- Curries Restaurant
Sep	5th	Sat.	Navgrah Puja 3pm Sponsorship\$51
Sep	7th	Mon	Ekadash Rudrabhishek 4-7p- Sponsored by- 42 Gham Samaj
Sep	9th	Wed	Purushottam Sahashra Naam 6pm
Sep	12th	Sat.	Mela Taste of India 12-8pm
Sep	13th	Sun	Nand Mahotsava 10:30am Sponsored by Srinathi ji Group
Sep	14th	Tues	Saam Upakarma 9am
Sep	16th	Wed	Hartalika Teej Vrat Puja 6pm
Sep	17th	Thurs	Ganesh Chaturthi 10am Temple open all day.9-8pm
Sep	19th	Sat.	1008 Gayatri Jaap 9:30am
Sep	19th	Sat.	Murugan Abhishekam 4:30pm Sponsorship \$101
Sep	19th	Sat.	Saibhajans - 6 p,m
Sep	20th	Sun	Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration 11am Sponsored Triveni Group
Sep	26th	Sat.	Venkateshwar Abhishekam 10am Sponsorship\$51
Sep	26th	Sat.	Mata Ki Chouki 4-8pm Sponsored by- Sharma Family
Sep	27th	Sun	Sunderkand path 10:30am- schedule changed from 3rd Sun. to 4th Sunday
Sep	27th	Sun	Purnima Satya Narayan Puja 5:30pm Sponsorship \$51. Puja Samagri will be provided, please call to inform and come with one coconut, flowers, fruits and Prasad
Sep	27th	Sun	Mahalaya Shraddha Begins
Sep	30th	Wed	Chaturthi Puja 6pm

## October 2015

Oct	3rd	Sat.	Navgrah Puja 3pm Sponsorship\$51
Oct	3rd	Sat.	Sai Bhajans 6pm
Oct	6th	Tue	Matri Navami
Oct	7th	Wed	Purushottam Sahashra Naam 6pm
Oct	10th	Sat.	Murugan Abhishekam 4pm Sponsorship \$101 Please note -scheduled changed from Temple calendar 24th to 10th
Oct	11th	Sun	1008 Gayatri Jaap 9:30am
Oct.	12th	Mon	Group Sharaddha 6pm
Oct	13th	Tues	Navratri Kalash Sthapana 5:30pm
Oct.	17th	Sat.	Mata Ki Chouki 4pm Sponsored by Jindal family
Oct.	18th	Sun	Sunderkand Path 10:30am
Oct.	18th	Sun	Saraswati Puja 4pm
Oct.	20th	Tue	Durga Ashtami Havan 6pm
Oct	22nd	Thurs	Vijaya Dashmi Havan 6:00pm
Oct.	24th	Sat.	Venkateshwara Phoolangi Seva 10am Sponsorship \$51
Oct.	24th	Sat	Mata Ki Chouki 4pm sponsored by - Mata Devotees
Oct.	25th	Sun	Ganesh Puja & Atharva Shirsha Path 11am
Oct.	27th	Tue	Purnima Satya Narayan Puja 6:30pm Sponsorship \$51. Puja Samagri will be provided, please call to inform and come with one coconut, flowers , fruits and Prasad
Oct.	30th	Fri	Karwa Couth Puja 4pm 5pm 6pm

# 2015 GANDHI FOOD DRIVE; 28<sup>th</sup> year

## Appeal for your Support

Dear Members of the Indian Community:

It is time once again time to launch our annual Gandhi Food Drive (GFD) and collect funds for the poor and needy people in the Tri-State area. You are requested to contribute generously toward this noble cause. Last year with your generous financial support, we had collected about \$9400. The money collected is handed over to Free store Foodbank, the tri-state's largest provider of emergency food to poor people in several counties in Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky.

Since family commitments will keep me out of town for part of September and October, I have requested one of our volunteers, Asit Saha, to coordinate the food drive this year during these two months . Asit is well known in the local Indian community. He has successfully led several projects of HSGC and has served on its Executive Council. Please send your contributions to his address shown below\*\*.

Sincerely,  
Vinay Kumar  
Asit Saha; Coordinator ; Tel. 513-702-1050

### Team of volunteers:

Saroj Ahuja 513-941-7383; Prem Garg 513-232-5333; Geeta Mehan 513-754-0400;  
Dr. Amit Shukla 513-255-4268; Rohini Venkatesh 513-984-2613; Vinay Kumar 513-528-6189

You can make your contribution in either of two ways: CHECK (or CASH)

**\*\*Make your check payable to Freestore Foodbank and mail it to Asit Saha :  
11186 Huntwicke Place, Blue Ash, OH 45241**

UNITED WAY Program (employer sponsored):

Get the United Way "2015 Pledge Form" from your employer and designate your donation to FreeStore Foodbank.

## Need for more volunteers:

If you, your son or daughter or someone else you know would like to help by joining our team of volunteers, please contact Asit Saha by phone (513-702-1050) or email: [asit.saha@ptsied.com](mailto:asit.saha@ptsied.com).

-----Cut-off Stub-----

## DONATION/PLEDGE FOR THE 2015 GANDHI FOOD DRIVE

Please return this cut-off stub and your check to Asit Saha; (see address above)

Check one: ☐ \$30 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ \$150 ☐ \$200 ☐ Other \$ .....

Your Name ..... Tel ..... E-mail.....  
Address.....

# Shri Ganesh Chaturthi Celebration

**Sep 20th Sunday 2015**

**10am to 1pm**



**10:00 am Procession**

**11:00 am Ganesh Puja /Atharvashirsh Path**

**12:00 Bhajans**

**1: 00pm Aarti /Prasad /Lunch**

**Sponsorship : Puja \$251 Pramukh Yajman, \$101 Yajman, \$31 Sponsors , \$21 Archana**

**For details Please call Temple 528-3714, Sangita Patel 791-0855. Acharya Kailash Sharma 652-5382, Mangala Nemade 234-8373.**

**Event sponsored by – TRIVENI MITRA MANDAL**

**We request articles  
from Children as well  
as adults to be pub-  
lished in Aradhana  
and on the website**

**Please contact  
Usha Aggarwal at  
usha.wc@gmail.com**

## **SHRAWAN SOMVAR**

**RUDRA -ABHISHEK**

**Aug. 3rd, Aug.10th, Aug.17th,  
Aug.24th, Aug.31st, Sep.7th**

**10:00am to 11:30am Shiva Abhishek & Aarti**



**06:15pm to 07:05pm Shiva Abhishek , \*Bilva Patra  
Archana**

**07:05pm to 8:00pm Shiva Mahimnaha Path , Bhajans &  
Aarti.**

**Sponsorship- Abhishek \$101.00 , Archana\$11.00 \*Bilva  
patra Archana (Depends on Availability of Bilva patra)**

**For details please call Sangita patel 791-0855, Acharya  
Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382,  
Janak Dave 859-371-9645.Temple 528-3714.**



या देवी सर्वभूतेषु शक्तिरूपेण संस्थिता । नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमस्तस्यै नमो नमः॥

# MATA KI CHOUKI

Sep 26th Saturday



4:00-5:00 Devi Puja  
5:30-8:00 Mata Bheten  
8:00 Bhog Aarti. Prasad(Dinner)

Hindu Temple of Greater Cincinnati  
4920 Klatte Road Cincinnati OH-45244  
513-528-3714

Sponsored by - Sharma family

## Hindu Religious Education Classes for Children at HSGC

**By Shantala Gangatirkar and Koti Sreekrishna**

Every 1st and 3rd Sunday from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM For age group 5 to 12 years

**Class will include:**

Yoga for Children

Sanskrit Shloak Chanting

Fun Stories related to religion

Questions and Answers

Understanding and Bringing religion in daily life.

For registration please contact: Shantala Gangatirkar

at [Gangatirkar.shantala@gmail.com](mailto:Gangatirkar.shantala@gmail.com)

OR 513-443-6077.



# NAVRATRI POOJA

Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup> 2015



Oct 13 <sup>th</sup> Tues.	6:00 pm Kalash Sthapana Devi Puja **
Oct. 17 <sup>th</sup> Sat.	4pm Mata Ki Chauki *(Chunri Offering by Sponsorship)
Oct. 18 <sup>th</sup> Sun.	4:00pm ** Saraswati Puja (Akharabhayas/Vidyarambha)
	6:00pm ** Lalita Shahasranama Parayanam weekdays 5:30pm
Oct. 20 <sup>th</sup> Tues.	6:00pm ** Chandi Havan /Ashtami Puja
Oct 22 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs.	6pm **Vijaya Dashami Puja /Havan 6:00pm

During Navratri everyday Chandi path\*\*(Durga Saptshati) 9:30 am to 11:30am  
Sponsorship. \*\*\$51.00 for each puja . \* Chunri sponsorship \$31, \$51, \$101,1001,\$2501 and above \* Please call Rani Dhamija 984-5777 to reserve your Chunri. offered Chunri will be given back to sponsor family as a blessing. For more details please call SangitaPatel 791-0855. Acharya Kailash Sharma 652-5382. Temple 513-528-3714.

## HARTALIKA VRAT POOJA

Sep 16, 2015 –Wednesday at 6:00 P.M.



For Details call:Temple- 513-528-3714,

## Group Shraddha Puja

Last day of Mahalaya

October 12<sup>th</sup> Monday 6:00pm

Sponsorship \$51.00. Please call ahead of time for better planning.

For more details call: Temple 513-528-3714,

Acharya Kailash Sharma 652-5382.

Sangita Patel 791-0855

Puja Samagri will be provided.

Please mark your calender  
Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at the temple

**Naach Sitare**  
**Mela, Dance compe-**  
**tition, Fun, Food and**  
**Fireworks**  
**Noon to 8 pm**

# ॐ नमः शिवाय EKADASHA RUDRABHISHEK

(Chanting of Rudra Chamkam 11time)

## 108 Kalash-Abhishek

### Sep 7th 2015

### Last Monday of Shrawan

### 4pm - 7pm



4pm Abhishekam

6:00 Shiv Mahinah path

6:30 Bhajans

7:00 Aarti followed by Maha Parasad (Dinner)

Grand Sponsor \$101.00, Sponsor \$ 51.00, Archana \$21.00

For details: please call Temple 513-528-3714, Sangita Patel 513-791-0855, Acharya Kailash Sharma 513-652-5382, Triveni Dave 859-371-9645. Darshan Kumar 513-519-0430,

**'Bollywood Music & Masala' & 'Swaranjali'**

**LISTEN to INDIAN MUSIC PROGRAM on WAIF 88.3 FM Plus LIVE**

Internet Streaming on [www.WAIF883.Org](http://www.WAIF883.Org):

Every Saturday from 12 Noon to 3 PM 'Bollywood Music and Masala' & Every Sunday from 11 AM to 2 PM Swaranjali



# Rakshbandhan (Rakhi) Stories

Like all Indian festivals, the festival of rakhi has numerous tales associated with it. Here are some you may or may not have heard.

## Krishna and Draupadi

Perhaps the most popular of the rakhi stories in our mythology is that of Lord Krishna and Draupadi -- the wife of the five Pandavas. An incident in their lives finds a mention amongst the various stories of the Mahabharata. According to one version on a Sankranti day, Krishna managed to cut his little finger while handling sugarcane. Rukmini, his queen immediately sent her help to get a bandage cloth while Sathyabama, his other consort rushed to bring some cloth herself.

Draupadi who was watching all of this rather simply tore off a part of her sari and bandaged his finger. In return for this deed, Krishna promised to protect her in time of distress. The word he is said to have uttered is 'Akshyam' which was a boon: 'May it be unending'. And that was how Draupadi's sari became endless and saved her embarrassment on the day she was disrobed in full public view in king Dritarashtra's court.

## Goddess Laxmi & King Bali

As part of a promise, Lord Vishnu has been protecting his devotee and the demon King Bali, disguising himself as his doorman. Back in Vaikunth, the abode of Vishnu, his consort Laxmi has been missing him. Disguising herself as a woman seeking a shelter to live in since her husband has been away, she approaches Bali. The generous king opens the doors of his palaces for the lady.

As Laxmi, the goddess of wealth and prosperity enters the household Bali begins to prosper. On the full moon day of in the holy month of Shravana, Laxmi ties a thread of coloured cotton on Bali's wrist and wishes for protection and happiness. Bali asks her what she desires and promises to fulfil it, Laxmi simply points to the gatekeeper who now reveals his real identity. The goddess follows suit.

Bali keeps his promise and requests Vishnu to return to his home with his consort. In return, Vishnu promises to return and be with Bali for four months of each year.



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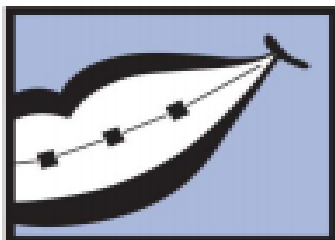


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