CHELMSFORD SRINIVASA PERUMAL TEMPLE

News Letter

December 2025













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Shantakaram Bhujaga-shayanam Padmanabham Suresham Vishwadharam Gaganasadrisham Meghavarnam Shubhangam Lakshmikantam Kamala-nayanam Yogibhir-dhyanagamyam Vande Vishnum Bhava-bhaya-haram Sarvalokaika-natham

I bow to Lord Vishnu who has a peaceful and serene form, who rests on the serpent Adiseṣha, whose navel holds the lotus from which Brahma was born, who is the Lord of all the gods, who is the support of the entire universe, whose form is vast like the sky, whose complexion is like a dark raincloud, whose body is auspicious and beautiful, who is the beloved of Goddess Lakshmi, whose eyes are like lotus petals, who can be realized through meditation by yogis. I bow to Lord Vishnu, who removes the fear of worldly existence, the supreme Lord of all worlds.





Chelmsford Srinivasa Perumal Temple

DECEMBER 2025

Temple Events/Auspicious Days

With Devotion & Light, Let's Celebrate Each Day Spiritually

Date	Puja Time	Event/Auspicio us Days
1st December-Monday	7:00pm-7:30pm	Ekadashi
2nd December-Tuesday	6:30pm-7:00pm	Pradosham
3rd December-Thursday	3:30pm-7:30pm	Ekadasa Rudra Parayanam /Kiruthigai
4th December-Friday	5:30pm-7:30pm	Karthigai Deepam
6th December-Saturday	10:00am-12:00pm	Sathyanarayana Puja-Group
19th December-Friday	5:30pm-6:30pm	Ammavasai
20th December-Saturday	5:30pm-7:30pm	Hanuman Jayanthi
25th December-Thursday	6:00pm-7:30pm	Sashti
26th December-Friday	6:30pm-8:30pm	Lord Ayyappan Irumudi Puja
30th December-Tuesday	6:30am-8:00pm	Vaikuntha Ekadashi
31st December- Wednesday	6:30pm-8:00pm	Kiruthigai

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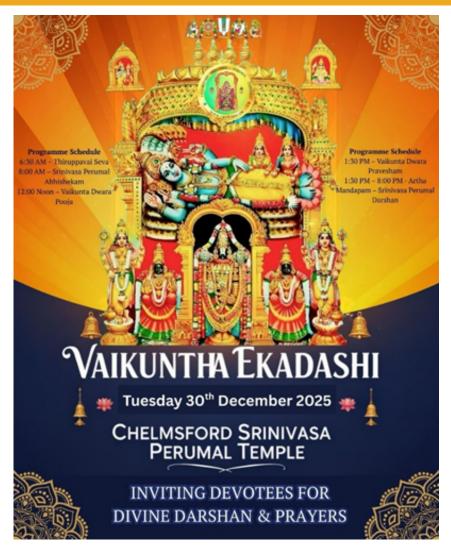
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Dec 1, 2025	08:44 AM -	10:46 AM - 11:47	12:48 PM -	03:35 PM –	11:31 AM - 12:03
	09:45 AM	AM	01:49 PM	05:04 PM	PM
Dec 2, 2025	01:49 PM -	09:46 AM -	11:47 AM - 12:48	08:53 AM -	11:31 AM - 12:04
	02:50 PM	10:47 AM	PM	10:19 AM	PM
Dec 3, 2025	11:48 AM - 12:48 PM	08:49 AM - 09:47 AM	10:47 AM - 11:48 AM	08:16 AM - 09:40 AM	-
Dec 4, 2025	12:49 PM -	07:47 AM - 08:47	09:48 AM -	03:29 AM -	11:32 AM - 12:04
	01:49 PM	AM	10:48 AM	04:53 AM	PM
Dec 5, 2025	10:49 AM -	01:49 PM -	08:48 AM -	07:36 PM -	11:33 AM - 12:05
	11:49 AM	02:49 PM	09:48 AM	09:00 PM	PM
Dec 6, 2025	09:49 AM -	12:49 PM -	07:49 AM -	03:48 PM -	11:33 AM - 12:05
	10:49 AM	01:49 PM	08:49 AM	05:13 PM	AM
Dec 7, 2025	02:49 PM -	11:50 AM - 12:49	01:49 PM –	08:29 PM –	11:34 AM - 12:06
	03:49 PM	PM	02:49 PM	09:57 PM	PM
Dec 8, 2025	08:51 AM -	10:50 AM -	12:50 PM -	03:19 PM -	11:34 AM - 12:06
	09:51 AM	11:50 AM	01:49 PM	04:50 PM	PM
Dec 9, 2025	01:49 PM -	09:52 AM -	11:50 AM - 12:50	07:18 PM -	11:35 AM - 12:06
	02:49 PM	10:51 AM	PM	08:52 PM	PM
Dec 10, 2025	11:51 AM - 12:50 PM	08:53 AM - 09:52 AM	10:52 AM - 11:51 PM	06:48 PM - 08:25 PM	-
Dec 11, 2025	12:51 PM - 01:50	07:55 AM –	09:53 AM -	03:42 PM -	11:36 AM – 12:07
	PM	08:54 AM	10:52 AM	05:23 PM	PM
Dec 12, 2025	10:53 AM - 11:52	01:50 PM2:49	08:55 AM -	04:34 PM -	11:36 AM - 12:08
	AM	PM	09:54 AM	06:17 PM	PM
Dec 13, 2025	09:55 AM -	12:51 PM - 01:50	07:57 AM -	08:11 PM -	11:37 AM - 12:08
	10:53 AM	PM	08:56 AM	09:57 PM	PM
Dec 14, 2025	02:49 PM - 03:48 PM	11:53 AM - 12:52 PM	01:50 PM - 02:49 PM	10:29 PM – 12:16 AM (15th December)	11:37 AM - 12:09 PM
Dec 15, 2025	08:57 AM - 09:56 AM	10:55 AM - 11:53 AM	12:52 PM - 01:51 PM	10:45 PM – 12:33 AM (16th December)	11:38 AM - 12:09 PM

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Dec 16, 2025	01:51 PM - 02:50 PM	09:57 AM - 10:55 AM	11:54 AM - 12:52 PM	01:47 AM – 03:35 AM (17th December)	11:38 AM - 12:09 PM
Dec 17, 2025	11:54 AM - 12:53 PM	08:59 AM - 09:57 AM	10:56 AM - 11:54 AM	02:57 AM – 04:44 AM (18th December)	-
Dec 18, 2025	12:53 PM - 01:52 PM	08:01 AM - 08:59 AM	09:58 AM - 10:56 AM	07:33 AM – 09:20 AM (19th December)	11:39 AM - 12:10 PM
Dec 19, 2025	10:57 AM - 11:55 AM	01:52 PM - 02:51 PM	09:00 AM - 09:58 AM	-	11:40 AM - 12:11 PM
Dec 20, 2025	09:59 AM - 10:57 AM	12:54 PM - 01:53 PM	08:02 AM - 09:01 AM	12:47 PM - 02:33 PM	11:40 AM - 12:11 PM
Dec 21, 2025	02:52 PM - 03:50 PM	11:56 AM - 12:55 PM	01:53 PM - 02:52 PM	04:51 PM - 06:36 PM	11:41 AM - 12:12 PM
Dec 22, 2025	09:02 AM - 10:00 AM	10:58 AM - 11:57 AM	12:55 PM - 01:54 PM	05:07 PM - 06:51 PM	11:41 AM - 12:12 PM
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Dec 24, 2025	11:58 AM - 12:56 PM	09:02 AM - 10:01 AM	10:59 AM - 11:58 PM	03:53 PM – 05:34 PM	-
Dec 25, 2025	12:57 PM - 01:55 PM	08:04 AM - 09:03 AM	10:01 AM - 11:00 AM	08:05 PM - 09:44 PM	11:43 AM - 12:14 PM
Dec 26, 2025	11:00 AM - 11:59 AM	01:56 PM - 02:55 PM	09:03 AM - 10:02 AM	07:36 PM - 09:13 PM	11:43 AM - 12:14 PM
Dec 27, 2025	10:02 AM - 11:01 AM	12:58 PM - 01:57 PM	08:05 AM - 09:03 AM	10:30 PM - 12:04 PM	11:44 AM - 12:15 PM
Dec 28, 2025	02:56 PM - 03:55 PM	12:00 PM - 12:59 PM	01:57 PM - 02:56 PM	11:53 PM – 01:25 AM (29th December)	11:44 AM - 12:16 PM
Dec 29, 2025	09:04 AM - 10:03 AM	11:01 AM - 12:00 PM	12:59 PM - 01:58 PM	05:51 PM - 07:20 PM	11:45 AM - 12:16 PM
Dec 30, 2025	01:59 PM - 02:58 PM	10:03 AM - 11:02 AM	12:01 PM - 01:00 PM	06:05 PM - 07:33 PM	11:45 AM - 12:17 PM
Dec 31, 2025	12:01 PM - 01:00 PM	09:04 AM - 10:03 AM	11:02 AM - 12:01 PM	05:50 PM - 07:16 PM	-



Vaikunta Ekadasi - A Sacred Gateway to Divine Grace

Sri Gurubyoh Namah

Vaikunta Ekadasi, also known as Mukkoti Ekadasi, is one of the most significant and sacred observances for Hindus, particularly for devotees of Lord Vishnu. Celebrated on the 11th day (Ekadasi) of the Shukla Paksha in the month of Mirugashirsha (December-January), this auspicious day holds immense spiritual value. It is believed that on Vaikunta Ekadasi, the gateway to Vaikunta, the divine abode of Lord Vishnu called Vaikunta Dwaram or Swarga Vaasal (Paramapada Vaasal) is opened, symbolizing the removal of obstacles and the granting of spiritual upliftment.

The origin of Vaikuntha Ekadashi is detailed in the Padma Purana. The legend recounts a time when a powerful asura named Muran tormented the Devas. The Devas sought Lord Vishnu's help, who engaged in a battle with the demon for many years. When Vishnu grew tired and rested in a cave called Simhavati, Murasura attempted to attack him. At that moment, a feminine divine energy, or Shakti, emerged from Vishnu's body. She fought and ultimately slew the demon on the eleventh day of the lunar fortnight. Pleased, Lord Vishnu named her "Ekadashi" and granted her a boon. Ekadashi requested that anyone who observed a fast and worshipped Vishnu on that day would be absolved of their sins and attain Vaikuntha, Vishnu's celestial abode.

Thus, Vaikuntha Ekadashi came into being, symbolizing the conquest over the demonic qualities of tamas (inertia) and rajas (passion).

Vaikunta Ekadasi is especially celebrated because it marks the day when Lord Vishnu Himself opens the "Door to His Realm," allowing devotees to symbolically enter Vaikunta and experience His divine grace. Devotees who fast and pass through a special northern entrance in Vishnu temples, often referred to as the **Vaikuntha Dwaram**, are believed to attain moksha.

This year , we celebrate this highly spiritual discipline on the 30th of December 2025 . We will begin the day seeking Shri Andal's blessings with Thiruppavai Seva at 06:30 AM. This will be followed by Srinivasa Perumal Abhishekam at 08:00 AM . We will have the Vaikunta Dwara Puja at 12:00 PM followed by the Dwara Pravesham from 01:30 PM . We take this opportunity to invite you and your family for the divine Darshan of Sri Srinivasa Perumal.

Vaikuntam is described in the Puranas, including the Vishnu Purana, Padma Purana, and Bhagavata Purana—as the eternal, transcendental realm where Lord Vishnu resides with his consort, Goddess Lakshmi. Unlike earthly worlds, Vaikuntam is beyond time, decay, and suffering. It represents eternal peace (shanti), divine bliss (ananda), perfection and purity.

In Vaishnavite philosophy, the ultimate spiritual goal is attaining moksha, which is often described as reaching Vaikuntam after the dissolution of karma. Reaching Vaikuntam means freedom from the cycle of birth and death (samsara), union with Vishnu in a state of eternal devotion (nitya kainkarya) and release from worldly suffering and limitations. Thus, Vaikuntam is not just a physical realm but a state of spiritual realization and liberation.

The festival unites millions of devotees across the world. In South India, it is celebrated with great grandeur. The Srirangam temple celebrates this period as the **20-day long "Pagal Pathu" and "Raa Pathu"** festival, concluding in Vaikunta Ekadasi. Similarly, in households, families gather together to pray, decorate their homes, light lamps, and seek blessings from Lord Vishnu.

Vaikunta Ekadasi is not merely a ritual but a profound spiritual practice. The opening of the Vaikunta Dwaram symbolizes:

- Breaking of inner barriers
- Overcoming ignorance, ego, and desires
- Entering a state of spiritual clarity and devotion
- Opening oneself to divine grace and inner peace

The fast represents discipline and the ability to transcend physical needs, reinforcing the belief that the soul is greater than the body. It is considered that observing this single Ekadashi fast is equivalent to observing all 23 other Ekadashi fasts in a year.

Vaikunta Ekadasi stands as a powerful reminder of the eternal connection between the devotee and the Divine. It encourages purity, devotion, discipline, and self-reflection. The symbolic act of entering the Vaikunta Dwaram reflects humanity's timeless aspiration to transcend worldly limitations and move toward spiritual liberation. More than a ritualistic observance, Vaikunta Ekadasi represents a journey into one's own heart—where the true Vaikunta, the abode of peace and divine consciousness, resides.

November month activities at glance





















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THE DIVINE FISH - MATSYA AVATARAM



Sri Gurubyoh Namah

Lord Vishnu had vowed that he would visit the earth whenever Adharma lifts its ugly head. Therefore, when humanity was at stake and when Adharma emerged in the form of a demon named Hayagriva, Lord Vishnu incarnated as a fish – the Matsya Avatar or Machha avatara.

Hayagriva was the son of Sage Kashyapa and his wife, Danu. People hailed sage Kashyapa for being a boon to humanity, but Hayagriva was the exact opposite. The demon was chosen as the Danav Raj (king of the demons). And his sole motive was to stop the humans from becoming more powerful than the Danavs.

Meanwhile during the Satya Yuga, the people on earth had become irreligious and disorderly in the way they lived their lives. This is when the Gods led by Shiva collectively decided to flood the earth and prepare it for the process of renovation. Lord Brahma, the creator, had been given the guidelines to remodel the earth by Lord Vishnu. These guidelines were the Vedas, the four principle books of Hinduism – Rigveda, Yajurveda, Saamaveda and Atharvana veda. Hayagriva decided that this was the apt moment to steal the Chatur-Vedas which he did and ran away to hide in the ocean.

One serene morning, the wise king and sage Satyavrata (who would later become Vaivasvata Manu, the progenitor of mankind) was performing his morning ablutions in the sacred waters of a river. As he cupped water in his hands for offering, he noticed a tiny fish wriggling helplessly within them.

The fish spoke in a gentle, trembling voice:

"O noble king, please save me from the larger fish that wish to devour me. Grant me shelter, and I shall repay your kindness one day."



Surprised yet compassionate, Satyavrata placed the small fish into his kamandalu. But to his astonishment, by the next morning, the fish had grown so large that it filled the pot entirely.

The fish then said,

"O King, I can no longer stay in this vessel. Please find me a larger home."

Obedient to its request, Satyavrata placed it in a small pond. Yet again, in a single night, the fish grew larger, too large even for the pond. The astonished sage transferred it to a lake, but soon that too became insufficient. Finally, Satyavrata released it into the ocean, realizing that this was no ordinary being.

When the fish spoke again, its voice was deep and majestic: "O wise king, I am none other than Vishnu, the preserver of all creation. Soon, the great Pralaya (deluge) will come, washing away the earth and all that lives. You, O righteous one, have been chosen to preserve life."

Matsya instructed Satyavrata,

"When the waters rise and the world is swallowed by the sea, a great boat shall appear.

Gather the seven sages, the seeds of all living beings, and the sacred scriptures. Board that vessel and wait for me. I shall come to guide you."

The sage bowed in reverence, promising to do as the Lord had said. As foretold, dark clouds soon gathered, the heavens roared with thunder, and the seas swelled to consume the lands. The great flood, the Mahapralaya had begun. Mountains disappeared beneath the waves, forests were uprooted, and the sky merged with the sea.

Through the roaring tempest, Manu saw the boat of destiny, vast and sturdy and floating upon the endless waters. He led the seven sages aboard and placed within the vessel the seeds of all creatures and plants, ensuring the rebirth of life after the deluge.

Then appeared Matsya, now of enormous size, shining like a thousand suns. His golden scales glimmered across the stormy ocean, and a great horn rose from his head. Manu, as instructed, tied the boat to Matsya's horn using the Serpent Vasuki as a rope.



Matsya pulled the vessel through the cosmic waters, guiding it safely over the tumultuous waves. As he swam, he recited to Manu and the sages the sacred truths — the Vedas, the Manvantaras, and the essence of cosmic order, so that knowledge would not be lost during destruction.

But deep below the waters lurked Hayagriva, a demon who had stolen the Vedas from Brahma during his slumber. Matsya plunged into the depths, waging a fierce battle with the demon. With divine power, Vishnu as Matsya slew Hayagriva and retrieved the sacred scriptures, restoring wisdom to creation.

As the flood subsided and the waters receded, Matsya led the boat to the peak of the Northern Mountains. There, Manu and the sages disembarked, carrying with them the seeds of life and the knowledge of the Vedas.

Matsya then spoke once more:

"O Manu, from you shall arise a new age, and mankind shall flourish once again. Uphold dharma, preserve the truth, and protect the world as I have protected you."

With that, the divine fish vanished into the luminous waters, returning to his eternal abode in Vaikuntha. The world slowly began anew, mountains emerged, rivers flowed, and the first rays of the new sun fell upon a purified earth.

The Matsya Avatar is more than a tale of divine rescue — it symbolizes preservation of wisdom and life amid chaos. The fish represents guidance through ignorance, leading humanity toward enlightenment. Just as Vishnu saved the Vedas from the depths of the ocean, he saves the soul from drowning in the sea of illusion.

ॐ महामत्स्याय विद्महे महाज्ञानाय धीमहि । तन्नो मत्स्यः प्रचोदयात् ॥

Om Mahāmatsyāya Vidmahe Mahājñānāya Dhīmahi I Tanno Matsyaḥ Prachodayāt II

We meditate upon the great divine fish (Matsya), the mighty preserver. We contemplate upon him who is the source of supreme knowledge and wisdom. May that Lord Matsya enlighten and inspire our intellect.

Aditi Harikumar





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Monthly Puja & Seva Services

Monthly Puja	Donation	Details	Time
Sankatahar Chaturthi	£51	Abishekam/Archana/Prasadam	6-7 pm
Sashti	£51	Abishekam/Archana/Prasadam	6-7 pm
Pradosham	£51	Abishekam/Archana/Prasadam	6-7 pm
Ekadasi	£101	Abishekam/Archana/Prasadam	6-7 pm
Satyanarayana Puja- Group (per family)	£101	Pooja Kit - First Saturday of every month	10-12 pm
Thiru Kalyanam-Group (per family)	£101	Archana/Laddu/Thali Kayir - Second Saturday of every month	10-12 pm
Kumkum Archana- Thayaar	£21	Kumkum/Mangalsutra Saradu/Archana - First Friday of every month	6-7 pm
Lalitha Sahasranama Archana	£21	Kumkum/Mangalsutra Saradu/Archana - Second Tuesday of every month	6-7 pm
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Adhoc Puja	Donation
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Shraddha / Tithi Puja	£51
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Satyanarayana Puja-Individual	£251
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Archana	£5
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Car Puja	£51
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