

Jai Kanahiya Lal ki! Sri Krishna Janmashtami Celebrations : 26 August 2024

“श्री कृष्ण शरणम ममः”—I am in the shelter of the Divine Supreme Personality of Sri Krishna

Janmashtami celebrations in Pittsburgh were a grand and beautiful expression of devotion, with over 700 devotees coming together to honor this auspicious day.

Day Temple: On August 26th, the Venango Trails Clubhouse was transformed into a sacred Sri Radha Krishna temple, radiating divine energy and grace. The ceremonies began at 5.00am following a traditional temple schedule, with Arti and Bhoga offerings, including Mangal Arti, Japa Meditation, Sringara Darshan, and Raj Bhoga Arti.

Evening Festivities: The evening's events began at 4:30 pm, with the children filling the atmosphere with purity through their performances of bhajans, devotional dances, and sloka recitations. The highlight of the day was the Kalash Abhishek of Sri Sri Radha Krsna wherein Their Lordships were bathed with pancha gavya.

An Everlasting Impression: The divine and blissful atmosphere showered special and limitless blessings from the Lord upon all who were present, leaving an everlasting impression on every heart.

Thank you note: Our heartfelt gratitude to all the sponsors and volunteers whose generosity and devotion made this celebration a huge success. Special thanks to the VT residents who participated in the cultural events and offered Bhoga with such love.

Blessings: May the blessings of Sri Krishna remain with all, eternally guiding and protecting us on the path of devotion.





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Visiting devotees: Nuggets of Wisdom from HH Bhakti Vasudev Swami Maharaj
- May 30 to June 1



Radha Vrajsundar Appearance Day - 26 July



Jai Jagannath! Jagannath Yatra - 4 July 2024

On July 4th, to capture the auspicious spirit of the Puri Jagannath Yatra, the Pittsburgh community gathered on Community Day to recreate the yatra. Sri Jagannath, Lord of all creation, was made accessible for divine darshan, drawing many residents. Blissful kirtans filled the air, and prasadam was joyfully shared.

The Lord eagerly seeks our love and devotion. To welcome Him into our hearts, we must cleanse them of impurities like lust and anger. By serving with love, chanting His holy names, and embracing spiritual life's dynamic nature, our hearts become His sacred abode.



Regular Events - Weekly Programs

Sanskul Kids School & Satsang

Every Saturday

Vedantic education for kids and Bhagavatam discussions for adults.

Contact: Sanskriti Walia, 412-888-9577

Thursday Kirtan

Every Thursday Evening

Join us for kirtan and a vegan/vegetarian feast at ISKCON Pittsburgh's Kirtan Center.

Contact: Mukundlila Das, (443) 616-5495

Friday Bhakti Vriksha

Every Friday

Enjoy kirtans, Bhagavad Gita lessons, japa meditation, and dinner prasadam. Kids' segment included.

Contact: Vanamali Gopal Das, 412-725-3442

Sunday Programs

Every Sunday

Kirtan, lecture by a senior devotee, and lunch prasadam for college students and families.

Contact: Vrajras Das, 302-743-7888

Monday Gita Study

Every Monday

Deep dive into the Bhagavad Gita with HG Shyamsundar Prabhuji.

Contact: Sanskriti Walia, 412-888-9577



Monthly Donation Program

Dear Devotees,

ISKCON Pittsburgh has evolved into a wholesome community over the years and we all have accomplished a whole lot in the service of the Lord and for the community together.

None of this would have been possible without the gracious support of all the devotees.

Traditionally we used to have a monthly donation program where devotees contributed an amount as their monthly offering to support our various programs and the upcoming temple. A few years back when we changed our banking this program was paused.

We are resuming this program again starting May 1st 2024.

Today, ISKCON Pittsburgh has many vibrant initiatives including weekly programs (Saturday Satsang, Thursday night kirtan, Sunday feast), festivals, visiting sadhus, Govinda's restaurant, upcoming Temple project and more.

This is a golden opportunity to participate and contribute to spread the mercy of the Lord.

There is no pressure- but we do encourage you to contribute what little bit that feels right to you. Your support is not just a donation; it's an investment in the legacy we are creating together.

Please contact Sanskriti at 412-888-9577 or Shyamsundar Das at – for more information.

HARIBOL! ISKCON PITTSBURGH EXPRESSES GRATITUDE!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all the devoted members whose unwavering dedication made Quarter 2 of 2024 truly remarkable! With the collective efforts of each individual, ISKCON Pittsburgh flourished with numerous successful events and initiatives. Your contributions have brought immense joy and fulfillment to our community. Thank you all for your invaluable support and commitment!

SAVE THE DATE

Radhastami Grand Celebrations in Pittsburgh

When: Saturday September 14

Where: 2365 McAleer Rd Sewickley, PA
15143

Save the date on your calendar and come to
take darshan of the most merciful Srimati
Radharani!

His Grace Gauranga prabhu visiting Pittsburgh

When: Saturday September 28

Where: 2365 McAleer Rd Sewickley, PA
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HG Gauranga Das is a senior leader in
ISKCON and philanthropist
Join the special session to transform your
inner self!

Register for Sanskul - Iskcon Kids School by 7 September!

ISKCON PITTSBURGH

Sanskul School with Samskriti

EVERY SATURDAY AT ST. BRENDAN CHURCH

2365 MCALEER RD, SEWICKLEY, PA 15143

SEMESTER 1: 9/14/2024 - 12/14/2024 (FEES: \$75)

6 - 7 PM : SANSKUL CLASS

LEVEL 1

**TIMELESS TALES TO
IGNITE YOUNG MINDS**

Materials/workbooks will be provided

**THOUGHT PROVOKING
DISCUSSIONS:**

- POWER OF THOUGHTS
- WORDS THAT WIN HEARTS
- BOOMERANG EFFECT OF SHARING
- POWER OF GOD
- HUMANITY OR DIVINITY
- DOES LUCK COUNT

and many more

- MEMORIZE ADITYA HRUDAYAM

LEVEL 2

OPEN EYED MEDIATIONS

**PRACTICAL WISDOM FOR
TEENAGERS:**

- DO YOU NEED WHAT YOU SHOP OR SHOP WHAT YOU NEED?
- THE MAGIC CARPET FOR RELATIONSHIPS
- HAPPINESS QUOTIENT
- GOOD COMMUNICATION
- LEADERSHIP
- SCARED TO BE OFFLINE?
- DEAL WITH PROVOCATIONS

and many more

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