



The Hindu Temple of Greater Springfield (HTGS)
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Tax-Exempt 501(C) (3) Organization

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Weekly Bulletin

Namaste!

Administrative News

During these winter months the temple may be closed due to severe weather conditions. We suggest that you check the temple website for the latest updates regarding closures before heading out. You can also call us at 217-697-8174.

Our priest Keshava Shastry will be on vacation between 1/24/2019-2/28/2019. During his absence HTGS management will do our best to keep our temple operations running smoothly with the help of volunteers. Temple will not be open on weekday mornings during this time.

We request current members to please renew your 2019 annual membership and encourage others to become a member. Please visit our new and improved website www.springfieldtemple.org where you can renew your membership, make donations securely and schedule private pujas.

Tax-Donation Letters: The HTGS management plans to send the 2018 HTGS contribution summary via email. You should receive it in the next few weeks.

Tamil Classes: Tamil Class on 9th February 2019 at 3PM 2019.

Annadatha (9th February 2019)

Menu: Puri , Mixed Vegetable curry, Chitrannam (Lemon Rice) , Curd Rice, Halwa

Volunteers: Harini Jilla, Bhasker Bingari , Aditi Dahotre and Shivanjali Jadhav

The Annadatha sign up sheet for 2019 is open. Please sign-up [here](#) and support this program. Divya Paranji Srirama is the Program coordinator for Annadatha program. Please contact divya.paranji@gmail.com 217 503 3816 if you have any questions.

PUJA Committee News

Vasant Panchami

Vasant Panchami is a festival dedicated to Goddess Saraswati, the Hindu deity of Knowledge and arts. It is celebrated as her birthday every year on the fifth day (*Panchami*) of the bright fortnight of the lunar month of

the month of *Maagha*. The word "Vasant" comes from the word "spring," as this festival heralds the beginning of the spring season in India.

Ratha Saptami

Radhasapthami is an auspicious festival celebrated by Hindus and it is dedicated to Lord Suryanarayana. It falls on the seventh day of Sukla paksha in the Hindu month Maagha. It is during this time that Surya/Sun moves from the southeast to the northeast. We worship Lord Suryanarayana for better health and well-being.

Devotees who wish to perform any rituals at home may contact Mridula Mara at calendar.htgs@gmail.com or 732-325-5335. Follow / Like / Share us on Facebook at HTGS

PUJA Announcements

Date	Upcoming Puja Events for Feb. 2019
Sat, Feb 9 th	Vasant Panchami @11:00 am
Mon, Feb 11 th	Ratha Saptami @9:30 am
Mon, Feb 18 th	Satya Narayana Vrat @10:00 am
Thu, Feb 21 st	MahaLakshmi Abhishekam @6:00 pm
Fri, Feb 22 nd	Sankata Hara Chathurthi

Temple Hours: Monday – Friday except Wednesdays: 9 AM to 10 AM and 5:30 pm to 8 pm
Wed: 6 PM to 8 PM; Sat. 9am to 2pm; 6 pm – 8pm; and Sunday: 9 am to 1 pm

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Please be aware that on non-festival days, although the temple is open on Wednesdays, the priest is off that day.