



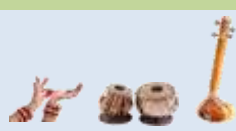
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Vishu Kani and Chithirai Pirappu – New Year Celebrations

Saturday – 14th April, 2018



Pooja Schedules

- ❖ 10:30 AM - Śri Venkateswara Abhishekam
- ❖ 11:00 AM - Śri Ayyappa Abhishekam, followed by Vishu Phalam (Malayalam Panchānga Sraavanam)
- ❖ 12:30 PM - Archana, Ārati
- ❖ 03:30 PM - Cultural Programs – Inauguration
Note: Ref: Cultural event flyer* for details
- ❖ 06:00 PM - Sri Subrahmanya Abhishekam
- ❖ 07:00 PM - Skandha Sashti Kavacha Pārāyanam (CH)
- ❖ 07:00 PM - Śri Vishnu Sahasranāma Pārāyanam (VH)
- ❖ 07:30 PM - Lord Subrahmanya Procession
(Subject to weather - outside or in VH)
- ❖ 08:00 PM - Cultural program for Tamil New Year (CH)
- ❖ 08:15 PM - Tamil Panchānga Sraavanam (CH)
- ❖ 08:30 PM - Archana, Mahāmangala-Ārati

Sponsorship Opportunity

- ❖ Śri Venkateswara Abhishekam (\$51.00)
- ❖ Śri Ayyappa Abhishekam (\$51.00)
- ❖ Śri Subrahmanya Abhishekam (\$51.00)
- ❖ Pushpa Mala Alankaram* (Flower sponsorship)
- ❖ Annadānam *(\$151.00 Food Sponsorship)
- ❖ Archana (\$10.00)

Sponsors*Contact Office to schedule

Vishu and Chithirai celebrations

Vishu, on April 14 – is the first day of Medam Month in Malayalam calendar, is celebrated as New Year day and it is the zodiac New Year. Vishu signifies the sun's transit into the *Meda Raasi* (first zodiac sign), according to Indian astrological calculations. On the day of Vishu - a day that has equal number of hours of daylight and darkness - which describes the origin of the word "Vishu" and in Sanskrit - it means "equal". The special feast which is served on Vishu is called Sadya. A special dish Kanji is also prepared using rice, coconut milk and spices. Join us during AM events along with Vishu Phalam – Sraavanam.

Tamil New Year is called as Chithirai Pirappu (*Chithirai Month or Chithirai masam*). As per the traditional Tamil calendar, 14th April marks the Tamil New Year. This varusham (year), it is called Vilambi Nāma Varuda. The day is marked with a feast in Tamil homes and entrances to the houses are decorated elaborately with kolams. The auspicious almanac called Panchangam is read as a ritualistic habit. One of the prime highlight of the Tamil New Year is the feast that is prepared. "Maanga Pachadi" is the most important dish of the New Year feast. It depicts all flavors of food; symbolizing that life is a mix of all experiences which must be faced with equanimity. Virundhu in Tamil means "feast" and since this festival marks the beginning of the New Year, food prepared is very special. This year at HTCC, vishesha puja is performed to Lord Murugan as part of New Year event.

Visit the temple with family and friends and obtain the blessings of Lord, as well as take part in - Panchānga Sraavanam of Malayalam and Tamil. Also take part in the Cultural Programs in the afternoon. Check out cultural event flyer for programs.

For more details Contact: officemanagers@htccwa.org; Phone: 425-483-7115