



# Hindu Temple and Cultural Center

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## Bhishma Ekādashi

Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> 2017



### Program Details

- ❖ 07:00 PM: Sri Vishnu Sahasranāma Pārāyana
- ❖ 07:30 PM: Rudra Thishati Pārāyana
- ❖ 08:00 PM: Archana, Aarati

### Sponsorship Opportunity

- ❖ Archana
- ❖ Pushpa Mala Alankaram
- ❖ Annadānam (Food Sponsorship)

*Note: For event sponsorship  
Contact Office for scheduling*

### Significance of Bhishma Ekādashi

Bhishma Ekādashi, is observed in the Māgha Month or Māgha Māsam. This particular period (January to February) in a traditional Hindu calendar has numerous auspicious dates dedicated to Bhishma in various regions in India. It is believed that Bhishma chose this period to leave his body and merge with Brahman.

The popular belief is that the Sri Vishnu Sahasranāma Stotram (thousand names dedicated to Lord Vishnu) was revealed to the Pāndavas on this Ekādashi day by Pujya Pitāmaha Bhisma, the great grandfather in the epic Mahābhārata. Bhishma was lying in a bed of arrows after the Great war in Mahābhārata and in the battlefield of Kurukshetra, when he revealed the thousand names of Vishnu to Pāndavas in the presence of Lord Krishna (incarnation of Lord Vishnu).

Chanting Vishnu Sahasranāma on this day is considered highly meritorious. Fasting is observed as in all Ekādasi event.

*Being Monday, Rudra Thishati Pārāyana is conducted as well. Join us and participate in both the events and obtain Lord's blessings.*

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