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Sri Tulasi Kalyānam – Monday November 19th 2018



*// Namastulasi Kalyani, Namō
Vishnupriye, Namō Mokshapradayike
Devi,
Namah Sarva Sampathpradayike //*

Program Details

- ❖ 07:00 pm: Sri Tulasi Kalyānam (in VH)
- ❖ 07:00 pm: Sri Rudrābhishekam
(Karthika Masa ritual....
Refer event flyer)
- ❖ 08:00 pm: Archana, Ārati

Sponsorship Opportunity

- ❖ Sri Tulasi Kalyānam (\$51.00)
- ❖ Sri Rudrābhishekam (\$51.00)
- ❖ Archana seva (\$10.00)
- ❖ Pushpa Mala Alankaram/Flower garlands
to Deities of your choice*
- ❖ Annadanam (\$151.00, Food Sponsorship)
*Contact Office for scheduling

Sri Tulasi Kalyānam

Tulasi is plant incarnation of Goddess Lakshmi, who is the consort of Lord Vishnu the Creator. The puranic legend of how goddess Lakshmi assumed a form of a plant is found in Brahma vaivarta purāna.

During the ocean churning, between the devatas and asuras - Dhanvantri, Hindu god of medicine, shed tears of joy which fell in the pot containing *amruta*, and from that emerged the ever holy, *Tulasi* plant. As the plant was beautiful beyond comparison, Lord Vishnu named it as *Tulasi* (meaning, which cannot be compared).

During Kārtika māsa, on Uttana Dwadashi day, Lord Vishnu - in the form of shaligrama weds Lakshmi who is in the form of *tulasi* plant.

Tulasi Kalyanam or lagna is performed in the evening at godhuli muhurta, i.e, the time when cows return in the evening after grazing. Tulasi plant is married to shaligrama. The wedding is conducted as any Hindu wedding, with the priest presiding over it.

Hindu women pray to Tulasi to bestow on them "pativrata" (being loyal to husband all the time). It is a customary for all married women to water *tulasi* plant and offer haldi, kumkum, after bath in the morning and light an oil lamp in the evening. Join us with your family and take part in the Kalyānam, and obtain the blessing of Goddess Tulasi (Lakshmi) and Lord Vishnu.

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