

SHRI SHIRDI SAI BABA MAHA SAMADHI CENTENNIAL YEAR CELEBRATIONS 1918 - 2018



Shri Shirdi Sai Baba Mandir Chicago

SAI SAMSTHAN USA (Estd. in 1997)

1101 Foran Lane, Aurora, IL - 60506, USA

The Saga of Love & Devotion with Shraddha & Saburi

- ◆ Incorporation of Sai Samsthan USA - **1997 - 21 years**
- ◆ Shri Shirdi Sai Mahotsav - **2001 - 18 years**
- ◆ Establishment of Shirdi Sai Baba Mandir in Aurora Location - **2002 - 16 years**
- ◆ Bala Vidya Mandir - **2003 - 15 years**
- ◆ Prana Pratishttha & Maha Kumbhabhishekam – Guru Pournima Day - **2006 - 12 years**



LEGENDARY MILESTONES

Stavana Manjari

Dedication

September 9, 1918 100 years

Shej Aarati

Begin in Chavadi

December 10, 1909 109 years

'Guru Pournima' Celebrations Began in Shirdi

1908 - 110 years

100TH MAHA SAMADHI DAY OCTOBER 19TH, 2018

(ONCE IN A LIFE-TIME EVENT)

Some Key Events during the Centennial Year 2017-2018

- ◆ PALKI TO **100** DEVOTEES
- ◆ LENDIBAUGH WITH **100** FLOWER PLANTS (BY CHILDREN)
- ◆ ANNADANA TO **100** HUNGRY PEOPLE
- ◆ SERVICE TO **100** NEEDY PEOPLE
- ◆ FELICITATE **100** CULTURAL ARTISTS
- ◆ PLANT **100** TREES IN MANDIR
- ◆ SATCHARITRA PARAYANA BY **100** DEVOTEES
- ◆ ABHISEK WITH **100** RIVER WATERS
- ◆ ANNAKUT WITH **100** ITEMS TO BABA

Children willing to plant a tree in Lendibaugh, Families wanting to participate in Annakut, Devotees wanting to bring sacred river waters for Baba's Abhishek - Please send email to saisamsthanusa@saisamsthanusa.org

Punaruddharana Kumbhabhishekham

Guru Pournima Day - **July 27, 2018**

- ◆ *Guru Pournima is the only festival Baba instructed His devotees to celebrate*
- ◆ *Kumbhabhishekam is the ritual to homogenize, synergize and unite the mystic powers of the deity.*
- ◆ *'Kumbha' means the Head and denotes the 'Shikhara' or Crown of the Temple & Abhishekham is ritual bathing with sacred waters.*
- ◆ *Sri 'Sainatha Siddha Bija Yantra' is placed in the Gopuram*

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CENTENNIAL SPONSORSHIP



Muktabhishhekam - 'Mukta' means 'Pearl'. 'Mukta' also means 'One who is liberated'. 'Chandrama Manaso Jaata:' says Rig Veda. Moon represents the intellect and moon is represented by 'Pearl'. Those who perform abhishekam with 'Mukta' to 'Jeevan Mukta Baba' will get good intellect and becomes Mukta'(Liberated).

'Vrukshabhyo Harikesabhyo Nama: says Rudram in Yajurveda. Describing Rama's greatness in Ramayana, Valmiki compares Him to a 'Great Tree'. Lord Dattatreya resides in 'Audumbar' tree. Baba Himself sat under the 'Neem Tree'. Apart from bringing environmental purity, planting a tree yields many merits here and hereafter.

Havan/Homa/Yagna are the ritualistic methods of performing sacrificial offerings. As Lord Krishna mentioned in Srimad Bhagavad Gita, Yagna can be of many types i.e. Tapo Yagna, Japa Yagna, Jnana Yagna etc. In Sri Sai Satcharita, Pitru Yagna, Deva Yagna, and Brahma Yagna are described.

Pushpabhishekam - Baba appeared in the dream to Dasaganu on 16th October, 1918 the day after His Mahasamadhi, and asked him to go to the Shiridi and cover His body with flowers

ONE WHO DOES YAGNA IS CALLED 'YAJVA'

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<input type="checkbox"/>	Pradhana Yajva \$5,001 100 Donors Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Kumbhabhishekam on Gopuram & Baba (Guru Pournima and Maha Samadhi day) ⇒ Muktabhishhekam - Abhishekam with Pearls ⇒ Pushpabhishekam ⇒ Nitya Archana (Daily Archana for one year) ⇒ Two Pradhana Homas and Two Visesha Archana - Sankalpam & Rakshatoram for family members (Limit 5) ⇒ Sponsor a Day (based on availability) in Mandir - Abhishek, Vastram/Chadar, Aarati, Archana, and Prasadam ⇒ Plant a Tree in Mandir (Recognize with Plaque) ⇒ Memento, 1 Sesha Vastram, Souvenir, Family name listed in Souvenir
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Yajva \$1,001 100 Donors Only	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ Kumbhabhishekam on Gopuram & Baba (Guru Pournima and Maha Samadhi day) ⇒ Pushpabhishekam ⇒ Maasarchana (Archana on Maasotsav day for one year) ⇒ Any 1 Aavarana Homa and Archana - Sankalpam for family (limit 5) ⇒ Memento, 1 Sesha Vastram, Souvenir, ⇒ Family name listed in Souvenir

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!! MAY LORD SAI BLESS YOU & ALL YOUR LOVED ONES !!

