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<blockquote>SALUTATIONS to the Divine Mother, Durga, who exists in all beings

in the form of intelligence,mercy,beauty,whoistheconsortofLordShiva,

whocreates,sustainsanddestroysthe universe.This festival is observed

twice a year, once in the month of Chaitra and then in Aswayuja. It

lasts for nine days in honour of the nine manifestations of Durga.

and solar influence. These two periods are taken as sacred opportunities

for the worship of the Divine Mother. They are indicated respectively by

the Rama-Navaratri in Chaitra (April-May) and the Durga Navaratri in

Aswayuja (September-October). The bodies and minds of people undergo

a considerable change on account of the changes in Nature. Sri Rama is

worshipped during Ramnavmi, and Mother Durga during Navaratri. </blockquote><blockquote>

The nine different aspects of Devi are worshipped over the nine days.

Durga: goddess beyond reach;

Bhadrakali: the auspicious power of time;

Amba or Jagdamba: mother of the world;

Annapurna: giver of food and plenty;

Sarvamangala: auspicious goddess;

Bhairavi: terrible, fearful, power of death;

Chandika or Chandi: violent, wrathful, furious;

Lalita: playful;

Bhavani: giver of existence.

The festivities culminate on the tenth day on Vijayadashmi or Dussehra.</blockquote><blockquote>

our ego, and radiate peace and love wherever we go. Let us all resolve to

become men of sterling character. Let us resolve and act. The story of

of the ten heads of Ravana. So, let us resolve today to cut the ten heads--

passion, pride, anger, greed, infatuation, lust, hatred, jealousy,

the adoration of the Divine, they commemorate stirring events in history,

they are allegoric when interpreted from the occult standpoint and, lastly,

they are deeply significant pointers and revealing guides to the individual

on his path to God-realisation.</blockquote><blockquote>

Letusnowconsiderhow,onthefirstthreedays,theMother is a

doredassupremepower and force, as Durga the Terrible. You pray

practice from its many dangers and pitfalls. Thus the first three

days,whichmark the first stage or the destruction of impurity

and determined effortand struggle to root out the evil tendencies

in your mind, are set apartfor the worship of the destructive aspect

of the Mother.</blockquote>

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