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Celebrating
91st year of the
Divine Advent

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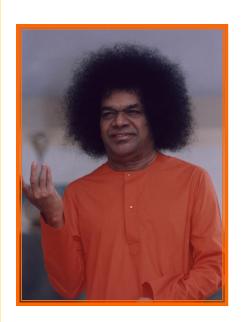
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Om Gan Ganpataye Namo Namah...



Om Sai Eeshvaraya Vidmahe Sathya Devaya Dhimahi Tanna Sarva Prachodayat



Aum Sarva Mangalamangalye Sive Sarvārthā Sādhike Sharanye Tryambake Gouri Nārāyani Namostute.

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S.A.I. – Seva...All Inclusive (Collective Seva) Seva.

Regular Activities.

Spiritual -

The essence of all Sadhana "...When you chant the Divine Name with love at least once, you will experience inexplicable and overwhelming bliss in your heart. Divine Name melts even a stone-hearted person. Even ice takes some time to melt, but God's heart melts instantaneously when you chant His Name with love. Even while you are travelling, you can chant His Name silently without attracting others' attention. There is no greater sadhana than this. The essence of all sadhanas is contained in this. In the Kali Yuga, chanting of God's Name is the royal path to liberation..."- Baba

- Nagarsankirtan is held on the 1st Sunday of every month at Bhajana Mandali "Anand Sai Baba Temple", Arul Murugan Nagar Main Road, Kilkattalai from 5.00 am to 6 am. Members of Kilkattalai and nearby samithis, join in for this pre-dawn spiritual venture.
 - We are expanding this activity to every individual houses on phase manner.
- **Bhajan at our Mandali**: On the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of every month Bhajan is conducted at our Mandali- "Anand Sai Baba Temple", Arul Murugan Nagar Main Road, Kilkattalai between 6.30pm and 7.30pm.
- **House Bhajan:** Devotees regularly attend bhajan sessions which are held once in a month (First Tuesday) at fixed venues, being devotees' residences, on a rotational basis.

Educational -

Balvikas:— The Goal of the Balvikas movement is societal transformation. But where should this process begin? According to our Indian culture, it is said, mother is God, father is God. One's parents are the manifestations of Divinity in a visible form. Our parents have given us this body; have cared for us by giving us food and also given us the ideals with which we have to lead our lives. Hence we must consider showing our gratitude to them as our first and foremost duty. Our body, our blood and everything in this human body, all the aspects and all the capacities are given to us as a gift by our parents. If you are unable to give satisfaction to your parents who have given you this sacred body, how will you be able to do good to the country? How will you be able to transform the society? How will you be able to look after the security of your country? You can think for yourself. When we are not in a position to make our parents who live in the same house happy, how can we spread happiness across the country and the world? — Baba

Balvikas classes are conducted at our Bhajana Mandali every Sunday between 8.30am and 9.30am. Children participate with great enthusiasm.

<u>Mandali Seva -</u>

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

Mahatma Gandhi

Narayana Seva-

Narayana Seva is carried out at our Bhajana Mandali every Sunday. Fruits and biscuits are distributed along with home made food packets.

Temple Service - (Uzhavarapani):

Temple seva is conducted on every Thursday for the smooth functioning of the temple activities and assisting devotees gathering for the Aarthi and prasadam distribution, etc,.

Blood Donation: We organise blood donors on SOS call request. So far an average of 8 to 10 units of blood has being arranged every month.



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Special Activities.

Special Bhajans were held to mark festive days:-

Adi Kirthikai and Vaikasi Visagam: Sri Sakthivel Murugan Temple, Big Street, Kilkattalai, was reverberating with bhajans in praise of Lord Muruga during the occasion of Adi Kirthikai. The songs mellifluously charmed all hearts.



Navrathri Bhajan: Special bhajan was conducted at our Bhajana Mandali on the auspicious occasion of Saraswathi Pooja. Devotees attended and sang bhajans in praise of the Tri Devi – Maa Durga, Maa Lakshmi and Maa Saraswathi.









Our Balvikas students were honoured with Sai literature and stationary items. Further, the students and the and Guru, Miss Rohini, were sponsored with one year subscription of Sanathana Sarathi.

Ladies Day:

This day of 19 November is celebrated as Ladies Day in order to delve into the sacred qualities of women and disseminate them. Women are the repositories of Truth and Culture - Baba

On 19 November, a special Ladies' Bhajan was held at 'Sundaram' in honour of Ladies Day. Innumerable ladies from Kanchi North/ South joined in to rejoice during this exclusive exaltation.

The Kanchi-North day began with Sahasranamam in the morning participated by both gents and ladies.

The evening programme began with veda chanting by mahilas.

Subsequently, the hall was resonating with the melodious voice of Smt. Ambuli Rajasekar and party followed by a special bhajan by our mahilas of Kanchi North/ South Districts.

Global Akhand Bhajan:

Akhand Bhajan Realize that there is nothing greater than bhajan. What bliss is there in bhajans! What a demonstration of oneness is it when a myriad throats join in uttering the name of God! The vibrations emanating from them make the heart vibrant. If you sing alone in your shrine, the vibrations return to you as a reaction. But in community singing, what you have is not a reaction but a wave of vibrations. - Baba

Harmonious intonations of Bhajans, tender expressions of devotion rang out in the environment the globe over from 6 pm on Saturday, 12th November to blissfully conclude at 6 pm on Sunday, 13th November.

Devotees from in and around Chromepet took part in this wondrous congregation held at our Chromepet Samithi.





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Special Sevas:-

During the festive occasion of Adi Kirthikai and Vaikasi Visagam, our sevadals were blessed with the opportunity of rendering services at Sri Sakthivel Murugan Temple, Big Street, Kilkattalai.

We distributed about 200 copies of Sanathana Sarathi. Further, the Sathya Sai Books and Publication Counter witnessed excellent response from the public.









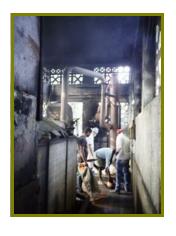
Swachata Se Divyata Tak

Swacha Bharat Abhiyan:

The Honourable Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi as a true devotee of Bhagawan Sri Sathya Sai Baba has rightly launched 'Swacha Bharat Abhiyan'.— SSSSO, AIP



In connection with 'Swacha Bharat Abhiyan' initiated by our Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, On October 2nd, 2016,on the eve of Gandhi Jayanthi, our sevadals rendered service at the Burial Ground, Opposite to General Hospital, Chromepet, Chennai, from morning 7.00 to 10.00 am, as per the directions of State Admin. & Dist. Admin.







Swachata Se Divyata Tak







CELEBRATING 91ST YEAR OF THE DIVINE ADVENT

With the mood of enchantment and festivity setting in, we had a week long Birthday celebrations of our Beloved Bhagwan starting from 17th November 2016 to 24th November 2016.

17th November:

Being Arudhra Nakshathiram special Bhajan was conducted followed by Aarathi.

19th November:

Participated in District level Progarmme organised at "Sundaram", R.A. Puram, Chennai.

20th November:

We had the opportunity to be a part of the 'Rathyatra' organised at Chromepet, which started from Nemilicherry Samithi , Postal Nagar at 4.00 pm and concluded at the Chromepet Samithi by 7.00 pm with Maha Aarthi followed by Maha Prasadam. Mr. Velu, Service Co-ordinator, shared his views about the importance of Prashanthi Seva.

22nd November: Gearing up for the BIG DAY-

Our Mandali premises was cleaned and well decorated for Birthday Celebrations with the help of youth team & Sevadal members.

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23 NOVEMBER, 2016: CELEBRATIONS THAT APPLAUD THE ADVENT OF GOD IN THE PHYSICAL.

23rd November:

<u>5.00 am.</u> The day began with the chanting of Omkaram, Suprapatham followed by Veda Chanting at the Mandali. Devotees enthusiastically participated in the Nagar Sankirthan conducted around our temple area reverberating the atmosphere with spirituality.

<u>6.15 am.</u> Prashanthi Flag was hoisted by our spiritual coordinator Shri. A. S. Kumar marking Bhagwan's '91st year of advent'. Smt. Kamala took Aarathi after flag hoisting thereafter prasadam was distributed among the devotees.

7.00 am. - Participated in the Homam conducted at the Chromepet Samithi.

<u>10.00 am.</u> - Special Bhajan was organised at our Mandali.

<u>11.00 am.</u> - Narayana Seva and Vastradhanam.

Food packets prepared by our devotees were collected and distributed among poor and needy people. Our sevadals visited the nearby General Hospital as well ,and distributed food packets to the patients and the visitors.

One of the special sevas taken over by the Mandali was <u>Vastradhanam and</u> Blanket Distribution.

Deserving women were given sarees and men were issued dhothi & towel.

Blanket Distribution: As the temperature dipped in the city towards the end of November, to spread warmth and love, our devotees eagerly participated in Blanket Seva. Around 15 blankets were distributed to those living on the streets of Kilkattallai.

Orphanage Visit - "Udavum Ullangal", St. Thomas Mount, Chennai.

Biscuit packets were distributed to the children at Udavum Ullangal.

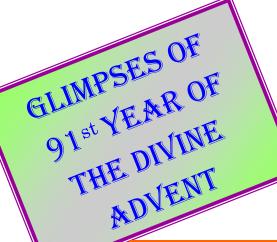
<u>**5.30 pm.**</u> – All the devotees gathered at the Chromepet Samithi for a special celebration of Bhagavan's Birthday.

The day long activities concluded with Special bhajan, Birthday song along with cake cutting and Jhoolatsavam at Chromepet Samithi.

The atmosphere was drenched in and exuding the essence of Bhagawan. Fireworks illuminated the whole area. After the offering of Aarthi to Bhagawan, prasadam was distributed to all present.

24th November:

As a culmination of this wondrous effort of devotion, a Special Bhajan was organised at Mandali from 6.00 pm to 7.30 pm, wherein the bhajans melodiously rang out in the environment touching all hearts with divine presence. Smt. Jayalakshmi Rajasekar, Educational Coordinator spoke about the importance of Balvikas. She motivated the parents with her encouraging words to enroll their children into the balvikas stream.







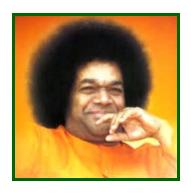
HOISTING OF PRASHANTHI FLAG





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RATHYATRA— ON 20TH NOVEMBER,2016

















NARAYANA SEVA AND VASTRADHANAM





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DISTRIBUTION OF BLANKETS

WELCOMING NEW YEAR - 2017

Let us aspire for his Grace and Blessings for a divinely, extraordinarily rewarding - 2017...

May we join hands in spreading our Beloved Swami's messages and love in this Universe

Wishing you all

Merry Christmas and a Happy New year!

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