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Newsletter, November 2026
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Greetings and welcome to the November 2026 (Edition 9) of the ***"Voice of Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple"*** newsletter.

Our newsletter continues to capture and celebrate the most memorable moments from our events, festivals, community activities, and significant milestones.

At **Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple**, we are committed to providing the highest standards of spiritual, religious, and ritual services to devotees around the world. We warmly welcome all individuals, regardless of caste, creed, culture, or religion, and strive to foster an atmosphere of devotion, inclusivity, and community harmony.

We remain deeply grateful for the unwavering support, trust, and participation of our devotees, which continue to inspire our growth and progress as a spiritual and cultural institution.

Monthly round-up

The month of October 2026 started with Shasti viratham and included Ekadesi, Prathosham, Uthirapoosai, Ekadesi viratham, Sathyanarayana viratham, Mahalaya paksham viratham, Navarathri puja, *weekly Vishnu Sagasranamam parayanam on Saturdays* – these were celebrated in grand manner

Kumkuma archanai during Vishnu sagasranamam

Saturday Special – Vishnu Sahasranama Parayanam & Kumkuma Archana isalways performed at 11.30 am.

As part of our regular Saturday Vishnu Sahasranama Parayanam, devotees gathered with great devotion to participate in the sacred Kumkuma Archana and special Aradhana to Lord Sri Venkateswara.

The prayers and offerings filled the temple with divine grace, peace, and spiritual devotion.

May the blessings of Lord Sri Venkateswara bring health, happiness, prosperity, and peace to all devotees and their families.







We warmly invite all devotees to participate in this divine worship and receive the blessings of Lord Maha Vishnu.







Sri Lalitha Sahasranama parayanam on Fridays.

Lalitha Sahasranama Parayanam and Kumkuma Archana were performed with devotion at the Nagapoosani Shrine on all Friday evening.

May the divine blessings of Goddess Nagapoosani bring peace, good health, happiness, prosperity, and well-being to all devotees and their families





Sri Bhairavar Poojai

Ashtami Thithi – Sri Bhairava Special Pooja & Aradhana

On this auspicious Ashtami Thithi, the regular special Pooja and Aradhana for Sri Bhairava Swamy took place at our temple today. Devotees gathered with deep devotion to offer their prayers and seek the divine blessings of Sri Bhairava Swamy.

May Sri Bhairava Swamy bless all devotees and their families with good health, peace, prosperity, and protection.

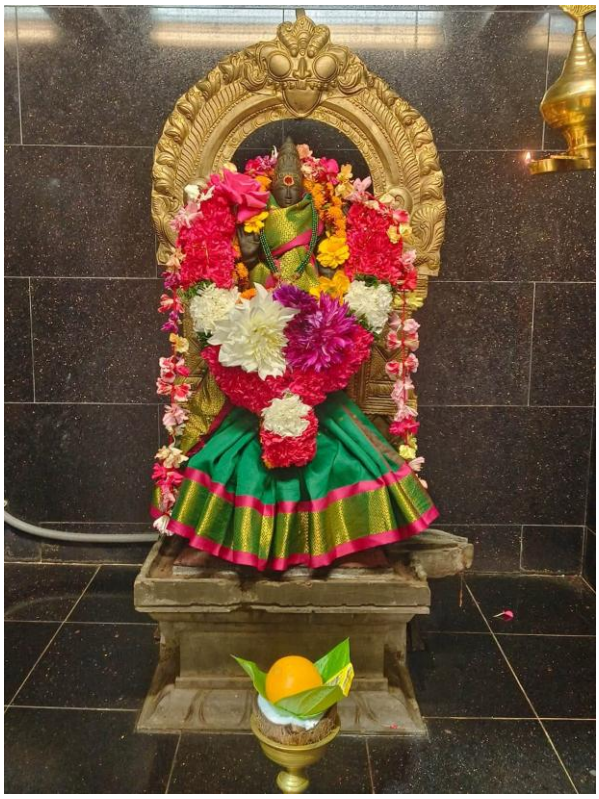
Om Sri Bhairavaya Namaha!





Prathosham Pujai





Mahalaya Amavasya

Ancestor Remembrance and Prayers

Arrangements were specially made at the temple for devotees to offer Pinda Pradanam and Tharpanam (sesame seeds and water offerings) in remembrance of their departed ancestors from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

In addition, Moksha Archana, Ghee Lamp Offerings, and Atma Shanthi (Soul Peace) Prayers were performed by devotees at the temple from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and again from 5:00 p.m. to 9:15 p.m.

Devotees undertook the Vratam (fasting) meal and Annadanam (community meal) waserved at the temple

Navarathri festival

Navarathri was celebrated with great devotion and enthusiasm, drawing large numbers of devotees throughout the festival. Special homams, Veda parayanam and prayer services were conducted on all nine days. As a unique spiritual initiative, our priest delivered a daily discourse on the significance of Navarathri and the *Devi Mahatmyam* through the Temple's WhatsApp channel each morning, enabling devotees to begin their day with divine inspiration and a deeper understanding of the festival.











One of the highlights of the celebration was the captivating devotional music performance by the students of the **Ilam Kalaignar Mandram (Young Artists Forum)**. Under the able guidance of **Sangeetha Bhooshanam Pon Sundaralingam**, the young artists delivered a melodious recital of devotional songs that enthralled the devotees and created a spiritually uplifting atmosphere.

Their heartfelt presentation filled the temple with divine serenity, devotion, and joy, leaving a lasting impression on all who attended.



Special Vennai kaapu for Sri Anjaneya Swami

A special **Abhishekam**, **Butter Alankaram (Vennai Kaappu)**, and **Maha Aarthi** were conducted in a grand and devotional manner today for **Bhakta Anjaneya Swami**, drawing the participation and prayers of devotees.





Chathurthi Pooja

Pillaiyar Chathurthi Pooja was performed at our temple with devotion and prayers, seeking the divine blessings of Lord Sri Vinayagar for wisdom, prosperity, and the removal of all obstacles.

May the divine grace of Lord Vinayagar be with us all!





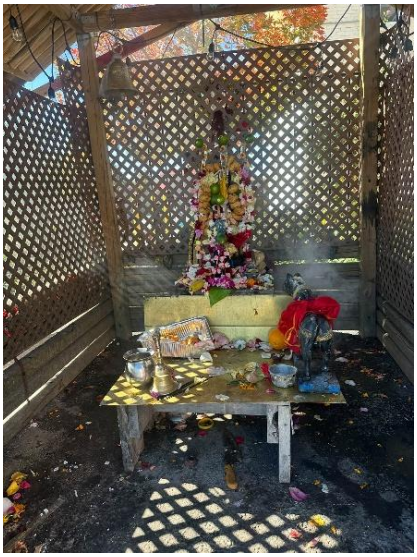




Maple Tree Gnana Bhairavar Pongal

The Maple Tree Gnana Bhairavar Pongal was observed with great devotion at the temple, featuring a special Abhishekam and Aaradhana.

We pray that, by the divine grace and blessings of Gnana Bhairavar, all devotees are blessed with good health, prosperity, protection, and spiritual well-being





Saraswathi Poojai

On the auspicious occasion of **Saraswathi Pooja** during **Navaratri**, the students and teachers of **Abhinayalaya Dance School** presented a captivating devotional dance recital at **Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple**. Through their graceful performances, they beautifully depicted the divine glory of **Goddess Durga, Goddess Lakshmi, and Goddess Saraswathi**, along with a special dance offering dedicated to **Lord Sri Ayyappan**.

The performances reflected not only artistic excellence but also deep devotion, inspiring and delighting the devotees gathered for the celebration. The vibrant presentations created a spiritually uplifting atmosphere and showcased the rich heritage of our cultural traditions.

Following the recital, the students and teachers received the blessings of the temple priests, who conveyed their heartfelt appreciation and congratulations for their dedication, talent, and commitment to preserving and promoting classical arts and spiritual values.

May **Goddess Saraswathi** bless all students with knowledge, wisdom, creativity, and success, and may the divine grace of the Goddesses and **Lord Sri Ayyappan** continue to guide them towards a bright, prosperous, and fulfilling future.





Vijayadasami Celebrations

On this auspicious and spiritually significant day of Vijayadasami, devotees gathered at Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple to participate in a series of sacred rituals and special poojas, celebrating the divine victory of good over evil and the triumph of righteousness over unrighteousness.

The celebrations commenced with sacred Abishekam, followed by Deepa Aradhana, invoking the divine blessings of the Goddess for the well-being, prosperity, peace, and spiritual growth of all devotees and their families.

A particularly significant highlight of the celebration was the traditional Vaalai Vettu, symbolically commemorating the divine destruction of Mahishasura by Goddess Durga. This sacred observance represents the victory of divine power over evil forces and the restoration of Dharma, peace, and harmony in the world.

Vijayadasami holds a special place in Hindu tradition as a day of new beginnings, knowledge, courage, and success. It is also an auspicious occasion to seek the blessings of the Divine before embarking on new educational, spiritual, and personal endeavours.

As we celebrated this blessed occasion together, may the divine grace of Goddess Durga, along with the blessings of Sri Ayyappan, illuminate our lives, remove obstacles, strengthen our faith, and guide us towards righteousness, wisdom, and success.

May this Vijayadasami bring happiness, good health, prosperity, and abundant blessings to every devotee and their family.





Vijayadasami Celebrations – Welcoming Our Community Leaders

On this auspicious day of Vijayadasami, Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple was honoured to welcome and receive Han Dong and Jamaal Myers, candidates for Toronto City Council Ward 23, and Garishan Ravishankar, candidate for the York Region District School Board (YRDSB) trustee for Markham Wards 5 and 7 schools.

The temple warmly welcomed and honoured the candidates and provided an opportunity for them to share their ideas, visions, and aspirations for our community. The interaction reflected the importance of open dialogue, community engagement, and understanding the needs and aspirations of residents.

Vijayadasami symbolizes the triumph of good over evil and the beginning of new endeavours. On this sacred occasion, we were pleased to welcome the candidates and hear their perspectives on community development, civic leadership, and education.

May Sri Ayyappan’s divine blessings guide all those who serve our community and inspire harmony, unity, and collective progress.



Aypassi Pournami – Annabishegam for Lord Shiva





Sri Satya Narayana Pooja at Venkateswara Sannidhi

With divine grace and devotion, Sri Satya Narayana Pooja was performed today at the Sri Maha Vishnu Sannidhi at Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple.

Devotees gathered in a spiritually uplifting atmosphere to offer their prayers and seek the blessings of Lord Sri Satya Narayana for peace, prosperity, good health, and happiness in their lives.

May the divine blessings of the Lord bring harmony to every family, remove obstacles, and guide us all on the path of righteousness and devotion.

May Lord Sri Satya Narayana shower their abundant blessings upon all devotees!



Birthday & Wedding day blessings from Lord Ayya

The following individuals received the divine blessings of Lord Ayyappa on their birthdays.

M/s Gurusamy ayya, Shiva Ayya, Santhanam Amma, Rithya, Kapilan, Latchumi amma, Ratheesan, Sabaratnam, Shan, Jayachandran.


















Wedding day blessings

Following couple received the blessings from Lord Ayyappan

Mrs. & Mr. Kapilan, Sivanadiyan Sangarapilai,




Communication with Purpose: Insights from Great Spiritual Leaders

Swami Vivekananda

"We are what our thoughts have made us; so take care about what you think. Words are secondary. Thoughts live; they travel far."

Insight: Meaningful communication begins with pure thoughts. Words carry the power of the mind and heart behind them.

Sri Ramakrishna Paramahamsa

"Do not speak ill of anyone. As you think, so you become."

Insight: Communication should uplift rather than criticize. Positive speech cultivates harmony and personal growth.

Sri Sathya Sai Baba

"Before you speak, ask yourself: Is it kind? Is it necessary? Is it true? Does it improve upon the silence?"

Insight: Responsible communication is guided by truth, kindness, and relevance.

Mata Amritanandamayi Devi (Amma)

"Words should be used as tools of love and compassion, never as weapons."

Insight: Communication has the power to heal, encourage, and build meaningful relationships.

We continue to connect and engage with our devotees through **Facebook, our official website, and our WhatsApp Channel**, with our online community and follower base continuing to grow steadily.

Subscribe to our WhatsApp Channel and stay up to date with temple news, upcoming events, festivals, religious programs, and community activities:

https://whatsapp.com/channel/0029VbCZn6A6rsQzYzfe1u0s

Stay connected. Stay informed. Stay inspired by the happenings at Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple.

Cultural Hall

The Cultural Hall continues to perform exceptionally well, with growing demand and strong community support. Special appreciation goes to **Kodeeswaran, Director, and his dedicated team** for their outstanding efforts, commitment, and continued success in expanding this important service. Well done on this remarkable achievement!

Our temple offers **state-of-the-art Cultural Halls** that are ideal for weddings, family celebrations, religious functions, community gatherings, corporate events, seminars, and other special occasions. We provide a **one-stop solution** for all your event requirements, supported by a professional booking process and efficient event management system.

To experience our facilities firsthand and discuss your event needs, please call 416-321-6104 or 416-278-2031. We look forward to helping make your event a memorable success.

Vedha parayanam

Celebrate your birthday, wedding anniversary, or any special occasion by sponsoring Veda Parayanam at the Temple. This sacred offering is a wonderful way to seek the blessings of the Divine. Please contact the Temple Office for further details.

Ayyappan Hindu School

A Beautiful Celebration of Devotion, Culture and Young Talent!

The students and teachers of Ayyappan Hindu School participated in a grand pooja at Canada Sri Ayyappan Hindu Temple, marking the auspicious Navaratri festival.

The temple priest performed Navaratri pooja with devotion and traditional rituals, invoking the divine blessings of Goddess Durga.

Our talented students beautifully showcased their artistic abilities through melodious musical recitations and devotional dances, filling the temple with divine energy, joy and spiritual fervour. Their wonderful performances reflected the richness of our Hindu

traditions and the importance of nurturing devotion, culture and artistic talents among our younger generation.

The memorable celebration concluded with special prayers and Aradhana, seeking the divine blessings of the Goddess for all students, teachers, families and devotees.

May Goddess Durga bless our children with knowledge, wisdom, creativity and success!









Staff of the month – Nothing to report in this issue

In fond memory – Nothing to report

Upcoming events in November 2026

Please always see **temple calendar and daily Panjang** by following our What's up channel. Key events in November 2026 are: -

Chaturthi – 12, 27
Shasti – 15, 29
Ekadesi – 4, 20
Prathosham – 6, 21
Mandalam start - 17

Pournami – 23
Karthigai viratham - 23
Amavasai – 8
Skandha Shasti viratham (9 -13)

Appreciation

The Board of Directors extends its heartfelt gratitude to our dedicated staff and priests for their hard work, commitment, and selfless service. We also sincerely thank our valued devotees, Upayadharars, media partners, social media supporters, and business partners for their continued encouragement and unwavering support. Your contributions play a vital role in the growth and success of our temple community.

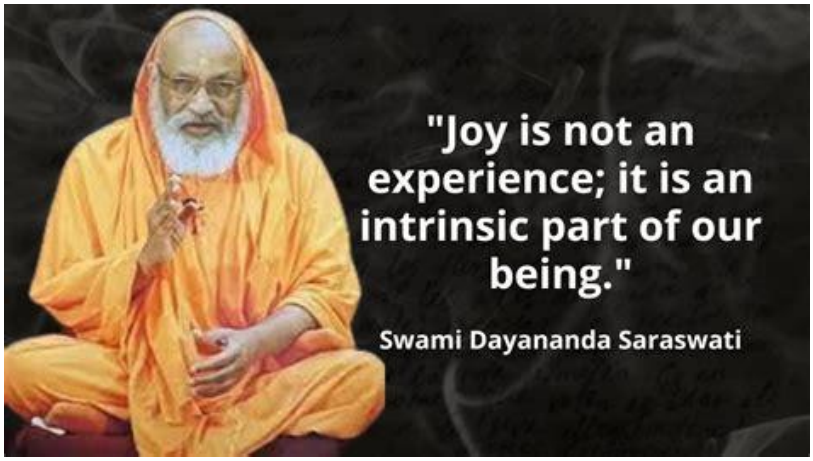
Explore more photos, event highlights, and special moments by visiting our Facebook page.

November calendar & WhatsApp channel QR code.





Blessings



Swami Dayananda Saraswati was a renowned Vedanta teacher whose teachings emphasized self-knowledge, compassion, discipline, and inner freedom. His wisdom continues to inspire seekers around the world to discover lasting happiness within themselves and to live a life guided by values, understanding, and service to humanity.

"True happiness is not something to be acquired from the outside; it is the very nature of the Self." Inspired by the teachings of ***Swami Dayananda Saraswati****, let us strive for wisdom, compassion, and inner growth in our daily lives.*

Congratulations

The Annual General Meeting and election of Board of Directors for our Samajam was held at our premises on Oct 31, 2026.

We heartily congratulate the newly elected Board of Directors of Sri Ayyappa Samajam of Ontario – M/s Kodeeswaran, Chandramohan, Sivanadiyan and Rajuran and look forward to their valuable contribution to our Samajam and Temple.

We also convey our special congratulations to our Sri Thiru Sivasamy for being re-elected as President.

We will meet again in the next edition in December 2026.

Best wishes for a Happy Deepavali and divine month of Mandalam.



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