



|| Sree Gurubhyo Namaha ||

Full Reopening of the Temple

Dear Devotees,

SVBF Management has decided to open the temple fully as of Saturday, July 3, 2021 with Pre-Covid (i.e) Temple will be open on weekends from 8:30 AM to 8:30 PM and on weekdays from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM & 4:30 PM to 8:30 PM starting from July 3, 2021 without any appointments. **Bhojanashala (Mahasprasadam) still remains closed.**

SVBF Management considers the health and well-being of their devotees, employees, volunteers and the community at large of utmost importance and priority. Thus, SVBF is committed to achieving that by supporting local health officials and government ordinances.

Please take the time to read the following before you come to the temple.

STEPS TO BE TAKEN BEFORE YOUR LEAVE YOUR RESIDENCE:

1. **The CDC (Centers for Disease Control and Prevention) has advised that certain groups of people may be at higher risk from Coronavirus.** This includes: 1) people over 65 years of age, and 2) people with underlying conditions such as high blood pressure, heart disease, diabetes, or lung conditions. **Please consult with your doctor for guidance on visiting any public places.**
2. If anyone with a fever of 100° F or above with consistent cough, shortness of breath, chills, body pains, sore throat or been in contact with any COVID-19 diagnosed person or travelled outside the country within the last two weeks, kindly refrain from coming to the temple.
3. **Please note that all normal services will be provided starting from July 3, 2021.**
4. Please ensure you carry a face mask for each member of your party. Keep your mask on at all times during this visit. Temple will not provide a mask and in its absence will ask you to leave.
5. It is preferred that any services like Archana, Abhishekam be requested online. However, you may also request the same at the temple when you are there.
6. Please maintain social distance of 6 feet required by CDC guidelines.
7. **Should you wish to do Vastram (Saree) Samarpanam to Sharadamba or Devi Bhavani or any other deities, please feel free to bring them with you when you come to the temple.**
8. Please make sure to follow our Temple Dress Code when you come, as we are not able to provide Veshtis "on loan."
9. Devotees are requested to exercise their judgement in bringing infants or children under 10 to the temple.
10. Devotees will be able to donate with Cash, Checks or Credit cards at the Temple Office.
11. **Aksharabhyasa service will be available onsite with limited capacity during weekdays & weekends at 10:30 AM. Please contact one of the temple priests to book an available slot.**
12. **Mahapsradam/Bhojanashala still remains closed.**

STEPS TO BE TAKEN AT THE TEMPLE:

1. Park at designated areas only
2. Temple will have a non-touch thermometer when you enter and you are required to measure your temperature. If it is above 100°F, the devotee along with the group he/she is part of will be requested to leave.
3. Please use the hand sanitizer provided at the temple.
4. Keep your masks on before you enter the temple and keep the mask on at all times.
5. Always maintain the social distance of 6 ft. between yourself/your group and the person/group in front.
6. Do not stop or spend too much time at any one location.
7. No conversation be conducted with the priests, Volunteers or members of your party.
8. Please follow the directions of the volunteers.
9. Priests will not offer Theertham, Prasadam etc.,
10. You are welcome to drop your donations (Cash or Check) in the donation plate as you exit the temple hall. This is totally a voluntary act.
11. Please keep young children under your control at all times.
12. Do not move the barriers from their located places for better views etc.
13. Devotees cannot go near any of the Sannidhis.

DISCLAIMER and ACCEPTANCE OF RISK:

- A. The temple management requests the devotees to be compliant with the policies and procedures set forth to have a blissful Darshan.
- B. Devotees are requested to exercise their judgement in bringing very elderly parents, family members who have immunity related and other underlying health issues and infants to the temple.
- C. Although the Temple is taking all possible safety measures, it is impossible to guarantee that visitors will not be exposed to Coronavirus. Those who visit the Temple are doing so at their own risk, and the Temple cannot be held responsible for any potential exposures.