

**SRI SELVA VINAYAKAR KOYIL (GANESHA TEMPLE)
BRISBANE (South Maclean)**



Newsletter January 2026

Dear Sri Selva Vinayaka devotees,

Hindu Ahlaya Sangam Qld Inc (HASQ) cordially invites you to Sri Selva Vinayakar Temple Brisbane (South Maclean) for January 2026 Month Festivals.

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| English New Year Celebration on Thursday 01-01-2026 |
| Pirathosha Viratham on Thursday 01 Friday 16 & 30-01-2026 |
| Nadesar Abishekam Aaruthra Tharisanam on Saturday 03-01-2026 |
| Sathya Narayana Pooja/ Powrnami- on Saturday 3-01-2026 |
| Vishnu Sahasra Nama Paarayanam - on Sunday 04-01-2026 |
| Sankatahara Chathurthi on Tuesday 06-01-2026 |
| Thai Pongal Celebration on Thursday 15-01-2026 |
| Sri Ayyapa Swamy Abishekam on Saturday 17-01-2026 |
| Thai Amavasai/Lalitha Sahasra Nama Sthothram Parayanam on Sunday 18-01-2026 |
| Monthly Chathurthi Viratham on Thursday 22-01-2026 |

English New Year on Thursday 01-01- 2026



| Program | Time |
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| Sankabishekam to Lord Vinayakar starts | 6.30am |
| Special Puja to Vinayakar (Ganesha) | 9.00am |
| Annathanam (Special Lunch) | 10.30am onwards |
| Special Puja | 6.00pm |

Sankabishekam is a special pooja performed by our Priest to Lord Selvavinayakar(Ganesha) with 108 Sangu's(Conch) in the temple premises.

Devotees like to participate on this Sankabishekam are cordially invited by the HASQ to sponsor a Sangu(Conch)

Cost is only \$51 per Conch.

Please contact our temple priest ASAP and leave your name with your Star sign.
Only 108 Sangu's limited for this special Sankabishekam

Pirathosha Viratham on Thursday 01 & Friday 16 & 30-01-2026



Prathosha Viratham is one of the most important viratha among the Virathas performed to Lord Shiva. Pirathosha Viratham comes twice a month (Lunar). Shukla Paksha and Krishna Paksha, the evening of the Thirayodasi (13th moon day) between 4:30-6:00pm. Devotees worship Lord Shiva at this significant time.

If the Pirathosham happened on Saturdays called Sani Pirathosham.”

Pradosham is when Lord Siva drank the poison and saved all beings of the world from destruction. It is believed that when Siva descends into the earth plane into the consciousness of people and gives them spiritual awareness. Thus, pradosham liberates a person from an unconscious mind to a conscious and aware mind.

At Sri Serlvavinayakar Temple special Pooja, Lingotbava Stotram & Thiravya Abishekam are performed at Lord Shiva (Amirthagadeswarar)’s Sannithy at 5.00pm

| Program | Time |
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| Abishekam | 5:00pm |
| Regular Pooja | 6:30pm |
| Circumprocession of Utsava Moorthys inner and outer sanctum | 7:30pm |

Nadesar Abishekam/Aaruthra Tharisanam on Saturday 03-01-2026



Arudra Darshan is celebrated in the Tamil month of Margazhi. This day falls on this month when the Thiruvadirai(Arudra) star rules over. Notably this happens to be the longest night of the year. Arudra is the star that symbolizes the golden red flame of Lord Shiva at his cosmic dance. Main high light of this occasion is having the darshan of Siva as Natarajar, the God at his comic dance. It is considered highly auspicious and beneficial to view the procession of Lorda Natarajar on this day. Thiruvaadhirai also known as Arudhra Darshanam is observed on the 10th day of Thiruvempavai festival commencement, which happens to be thiruvaadhirai nakshaththram, the full moon day during the month of Maarkazhi, The Thiruvadhirai is one of the eight significant "Vratas" dedicated to Lord Shiva. Thiruvaadhirai is also considered to be the nakshaththram (birth star) of Lord Natarajar.

| Program | Time |
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| Abishekam to Lord Natarajar | 5.30am |
| Regular pooja | 7.00am |
| Vasanthamandapa Pooja | 7:30am |
| Circumprocession of Natarajar and Sivakami (Inner and outer pathway) | 8.00am |
| Prasatham and breakfast | 8:30am |
| Thiruvasakam (Hymns on Lord Shiva) full reading | 9:30am |

Powrnami /Sathya Narayana Pooja on Saturday 03-01-2026



Lord Satyanarayan is a manifestation of Shri Vishnu, who is also known as Narayan, the one who symbolises eternal truth. The word “Satya” means Truth and “Narayana” means The Highest Being. Together they mean “The highest being who is the embodiment of truth”. Hindus perform **Sri Satyanarayan Vrat & Pooja** for getting blessings of health, wealth, prosperity and relief from troubles and sickness. It can also be performed to get success in business or career and during social functions like marriages.

Devotees can contact temple priest in advance to perform the Poojai at our Temple

Vishnu Sahasra Nama Parayanam Chanting on Sunday the 04-01-2026



| Program | Time |
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| Regular Pooja | 9:00am |
| Homam and Abishekam at Narayanar Sannithi | 10:00 am |
| Special Poojai to Narayanar | 11:00am |

Sankatahara Chathurthy on Tuesday 06-01-2026



Chathurthi (Krishna Paksha) which comes after Full moon day called Sankatahara Chathurthi. For Lord Sri Selva Vinayakar a special Homam and Abishekam are conducted at the sannithy at 5.30pm. It is believed that the person who does Sankatahara Chathurthi poojai will get relieved from all their worries and troubles.

Special Homam and Abishekam for Lord Sri Selva Vinayakar are performed at 5.30pm

Thai Pongal (Tamil Harvest Festival) Celebration on Thursday 15-01-2026



Significance of the Thai Pongal:

Pongal is an ancient festival of people in South India particularly Tamils. The history of the festival can be traced back to the Sangam Age i.e. 200 B.C to 300 A.D. Although, Pongal originated as a Dravidian Harvest festival and has a mention in Sanskrit Puranas, historians identify the festival with the Thai Un and Thai Niradal which are believed to have been celebrated during the Sangam Age.

| Programme | Time |
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| Pongal Starts front of the temple | 6.00am |
| Makara Sankaranthi Abishekam to Lord Vinayakar | 7.30am |
| Regular Puja | 9.00am |
| Pongal Puja | 9.20am |
| Pongal Prasatham | 9.30am |

Participating Thai Pongal at Selva Vinayakar Temple

HASQ encourage devotees to come and participate in the Thai Pongal celebration at the temple. If you wish to make your own sweet rice (Pongal) in front of the temple you are most welcome to do that. You must bring your own cooking facilities and celebrate Pongal at the temple outer sanctum or near the Vali Pillayar Arena. For more details please contact our temple

Sri Ayyappa Swamy Abishekam on Saturday 17-01-2026



Special Puja/Abishekam will be performed to Sri Ayyappa Swamy on the first five days of every Hindu calendar month. These poojas are usually named after each Zodiac (Rasi) sign. This month puja called “Kumbha” Masa Abishekam”.

Ayyappa Swamy is the epitome of dharma, truth, and righteousness and is often called upon to obliterate evil. He fulfills all good, honest wishes and desires of the devotees and grants good health to the worshipper and their loved ones.

Swamy Ayyappa also bestows prosperity and success upon the devotees and controls the malefic effects of Shani (Saturn).

HASQ cordially invites all devotees to come and participate in this special Abishekam and get the blessing of Sri Ayyappa Swamy. Thiraviya Abishekam will be performed at Sri Ayyappa Swamy Sannithy at 10am.

Thai Amaavasai/Lalitha Sahasra Nama Stotram Chanting on Sunday 18-01-2026



Lalitha Sahasranamam (1000 names of Goddess Lalithambikai Devi) is a secret and very sacred text or mantra in Hindu religion. This mantra has been revealed to mankind through the discussion between lord Hayagriva and the great sage Agasthya.

| Program | Time |
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| Regular Pooja | 9.00am |
| Sri Lalitha Sahasra nama Stotram Parayanam | 10.00am |
| Special Deepa Arathanai to Goddess Lalithambikai. | 11.00am |
| Special Abishekam Goddess Abirami | 5:30pm |
| Special Poojai at Abirami Sannithy | 7:00pm |

Monthly Chathurthy Viratham on Thursday 22-01-2026



Chathurthi (Sukla patksha) which comes after new moon day called Chathurthi.

Ganesha Mantra

*“Vakratunda Mahaakaaya Suryakoti Samaprabhaa
Nirvighnam Kurumedeve Sarvakaaryeshu Sarvadaa”.*

Translation:

*“O Lord Ganesha of large body, curved trunk, with the brilliance of a million suns
Please make all my work free of obstacles, always.”*

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| Abishekam for Lord Sri Selva Vinayakar | 5:30pm |
| Regular Puja | 7:00pm |
| Vasanthamandapa Alankara Pooja and Circumprocession of Lord Selva Vinayakar (inner sanctum) | 7:30pm |
| Prasadam | 8.00pm |

Visit Brisbane Sri Selva Vinayakar (Ganesha) Temple and get the Blessing of Lord Ganesha



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