



# Shiva Vishnu Temple

## COVID-19 update

The Greater Cleveland Shiva Vishnu Temple (Temple) is taking measures to prevent and contain the spread of COVID-19 in the wake of rapidly evolving public health situation and recommendations from WHO and CDC.

The following changes will be effective Monday March 16<sup>th</sup> and will remain in effect Until Further Notice.

The Temple will be open only during the hours of 9AM-11AM in the morning and 5:30PM-7:00PM in the evening on all days of the week. The Priests will continue to perform nithya pooja, abhishekam & other rituals.

### General Guidance:

1. Devotees should wash their hands with soap and water in the Temple lobby before entering the Temple Hall. However, during this time group activities such as Katha, Hanumaan Chalisa, Shashti, Baba Aarti or similar activities which involve gathering of even a few people, will NOT be conducted. Also devotees are requested to limit their time inside the Temple on an as needed basis.
2. Devotees are requested not to bring any prasadam, fruit, dry fruits, flowers in the Temple.
3. Archana, Shraadh, Mundan, Vahan (Car) pooja can be requested and performed at the Temple. We, however, request devotees to limit the number of people in their group to not more than four and use caution by following the 'no touch' policy, i.e., they should not touch the Vighrams (Deities), Aarti thalis, Archana plates or other common shared surfaces. No diyas should be lighted. Vibhuti, Kumkum or Tikas will not be available. The Priests will offer aarti only from a distance and no prasadam will be distributed.
4. Archanas and other poojas can also be performed by the priests on behalf of the devotees in their absence. The devotees can request these

services either by calling the Temple or online using the donate button at the Temple website.

5. All Classes held in the Temple premises (incl. Community Center), all Temple programs listed in the Annual/Monthly calendar, and any private/public events and Temple tours will remain suspended. There will be no Sunday Mahaprasadam (Lunch) during this time.

We realize that this may cause inconvenience to our devotees but as a preventive action we ask for your grace and understanding during these unusual times. The health and safety of our Priests, Manager and Devotees is our top priority.

If you have specific concerns, you may contact the Temple at –

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