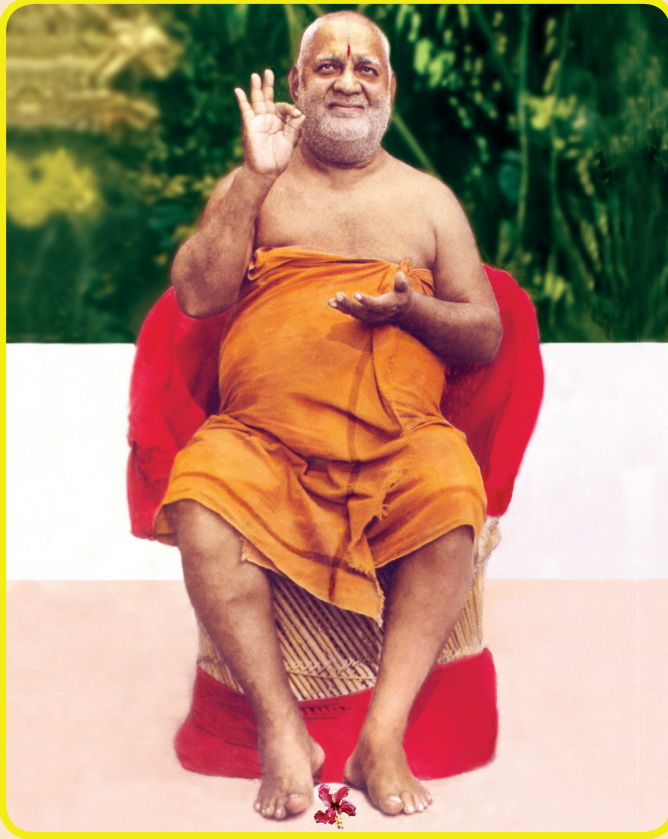




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**FIFTY FIRST ARADHANA CELEBRATIONS OF  
SADGURU  
SRI GNANANANDA GIRI SWAMIGAL**



**INVITATION**

**December 2, 2024 to December 17, 2024**



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The advent of our Sadguru Swami Gnanananda Giri is a mystery and must have been some time in the early 19<sup>th</sup> century. He was born in Mangalapuri of Karnataka State. He left his house at a very early age. He offered himself to his Guru Sri Swami Sivaratna Giri of Jyotir Mutt who by his grace enveloped and took possession of him. After Mahasamadhi of his Guru, He adorned the Peetam for some time and retired to remote heights of Himalayas for intense penance. He has spent many years at icy caves of Himalayas in contemplation and meditation. After a long period of seclusion Sri Sadgurudev travelled extensively on foot spanning whole of India, Tibet, Nepal, Burma and Sri Lanka.

During the middle of last century Sri Sadgurudev chose a small village on the northern banks of River Dakshina Pinagini, near Tirukovilur, and instituted a spiritual retreat, Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam, which is sanctified by ancient Sages, Mrigandu, Kapila, Gnana Desika, the well-known Tamil Saint Avvaiyar, the three Alvars of Vaishnava traditions, and Sri Ragothama Swamigal's Moola Brindavan. Sri Sadgurudev also established Ashrams at Attayampatti, Siddhalingamadam and Yercaud.

Sadguru Sri Gnanananda is a baffling enigma to the modern intellectuals but an open book with the disarming simplicity of a child of God to the common man, Swamiji swore by tradition but went beyond it in his glorious ministry spanning well over a century nobody knows for certain how long. He breathed the essence of God-knowledge, the Paravidya, but amazed everyone with his grasp of the intricacies of the complex nature of the prevailing material civilization. He would draw himself on to the summits of Brahmic Nirvana and the next moment join hilarious children on their swing. There was hardly a line of Yoga with which he was not acquainted or a major experience in spiritual life that he had not undergone.

Sri Gnanananda's whole personality radiated wonderfully pure and tender love. A love which was totally given to each and yet was the same for all.

So the joy of feeling oneself loved by him carried with it a high degree of detachment; for we all dream of being loved with a distinct and preferential love. But this love enveloped each one at the same time as if uniquely. You felt that for him all distinction, Bheda, was annulled and had vanished. In each disciple it was as if he directly perceived the truest personality the self alone, the Atman.

The Swami would look at the devotee with eyes full of tenderness and love. When the devotee made his parting obeisance, the Swami would take special care to give him a 'Prasada'. At the end, the Swami would tell the devotee softly in an endearing tone, with an affectionate gentle smile, "Meendum Sandippom" - We will meet again.

The Swami was always totally absorbed at the time of the worship of Guru Padukas. The Pada Pooja or the worship of the Padukas of Acharya Sankara and Sri Gnanananda Giri Swami takes place every day at the Ashram at Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam.

Swami Gnanananda also significantly declares: "**A true disciple has no Sadhana to perform. He has only to surrender himself completely to his Guru**". Nothing could be simpler for the aspirant if there is the proper attitude. Nothing could be nobler than the Guru's willingness to take over the disciple.

The great spiritual Genius, our Guiding Light, passed into eternity in January 1974, responding to His Master's Divine call.

With the Grace and blessings of Sadguru Sri Gnanananda Giri Swamigal, it is decided to celebrate the 51<sup>st</sup> Aradhana Festival at Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam. There will be Bhajans, Upanyasam, Nama Sankeerthanam, Music Concert from Monday the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024 to 17<sup>th</sup> December 2024.

The traditional ARADHANA, the special Pada Pooja and Maha Abhisheka and Pooja at the Shrine of Grace of His Adhishtana will take place on Monday the 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024. (Margazhi Krishna Paksha Dwitiya).

All devotees are cordially invited to participate in the celebrations and receive Sri Sadguru's Grace and Blessings. The detailed programme of the celebrations is given overleaf.

**20-10-2024**

**TRUSTEES**  
**Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam**

**Annadhanam at Siddhalingamadam Ashram of Sadgurudev  
on 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of December 2024.**



# Fifty First Aradhana celebrations of Sadguru Sri Gnananandagiri Swamigal

02.12.2024 - 17.12.2024

## PROGRAMME

02.12.2024 Monday	5.00 - 10.30 AM	Commencement of Aradhana Celebrations with worship of all Deities, Ganapathi Homam and Pada Pooja, Dwhaja Arohanam
	7.30 - 9.30 PM	<b>Bhakti Padalgal</b> - Smt <b>G. Uma</b> Thapovanam Kuzhuvinar
03.12.2024 Tuesday	5.00 - 10.30 AM	Commencement of Krishna Yajur Veda Parayanam, Maharudra Japam with Maha Sankalpam (till Aradhana day)
	7.30 - 9.30 PM	Thirupugazh - Isai Sorpozhipu <b>Dr. Madhusudanar Kalaichelvan &amp; Vidushi Bhavya Hari</b>
04.12.2024 Wednesday - 10.12.2024 (7 days)	6.00-11.00 AM	Srimad Bhagavata Moola Parayanam (from 4 <sup>th</sup> to 10 <sup>th</sup> December)
	3.00 - 5.00 PM	Srimad Bhagavata Saptaham Pravachanam By <b>Dr. Sri Ranganji</b> (Founder Acharya of Srimad Valmiki Ashrama, Bengaluru)
	7.00 - 9.00 PM	
05.12.2024 Thursday	7.00 AM	Sri Maha Ganapati Homam
06.12.2024 Friday	5.00 - 12.00 AM	Sri Srividya Ghata Sthapanam, Sri Navavarana Pooja (till Poornima)
	6.00 AM	Commencement of Laksharchana at Adhishtanam (till Aradhana day)
07.12.2024 Saturday	7.00 AM	Murugan Kavadi
08.12.2024 Sunday	6.00 AM	Commencement of Shukla Yajur, Rig, Sama Veda, Devi Bhagavatham, Shrimad Ramayana, Sri Shankara Bhashya, Sivagama Parayanam (9 days)
		Surya Namaskaram
		Navagraha Homam, Special Poojas to Navagraha Moorthis
	6.00 PM	Sri Chandi Ghata Sthapanam, Sri Chandi Parayana

09.12.2024 Monday	6.00 PM	Rama Nama Japa Yagnam
10.12.2024 Tuesday	6.00 PM	Bhagavati Seva
11.12.2024 Wednesday	10.00 AM	Ekadasi, Vishnu Sahasranama Japa Yagnam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeerthanam By <b>Svagata Anand Bhagavadar</b> & team, Svagata Satsang, Chennai
12.12.2024 Thursday	8.00 AM	Sri Sudarshana Homam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Upanyasam - Guru Bhaktha Sri Niloba Maharaj By <b>Govindapuram Sri Balaji Bhagavadar</b>
13.12.2024 Friday	7.00 - 10.30 AM	Sri Maharudra Homam, Poornahuti, Vasodhara
	8.00AM - 1.00 PM	Sri Nava Chandi Homam, Poornahuti, Vasodhara and Sri Chandi Ghata Abhishekam at Adhishtanam
	5.00 PM	Rudra Jata Parayanam - on Pradosham day
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeertanam 'Guru Mahima' by <b>Abhang Ratna Dr Ganesh Kumar Bhagavadar</b>
14.12.2024 Saturday	7.00 AM Onwards	Sri Suktha Homam, Sri Avahanti Homam
	4.30 PM Onwards	Sri Vidhya Homam, Mani Mandapam Sri Sadgurunathar Maha Abhishekam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeerthanam By <b>Guru Paduka Group, Mumbai</b> (part of Sri Gnanananda Mandali)
15.12.2024 Sunday	5.00 - 12.00 AM	108 Kalasa Ksheera Abhishekam 1008 Shankabhishekam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeerthanam By <b>Sri Vinaya Chandra Menon Bhagavadar &amp; team</b>
16.12.2024 Monday	5:30 AM Onwards	<b>Aradhana day</b> Pada Pooja and Maha Abhishekam and Pooja at Adhishtanam (Conclusion of Laksharchanaa)
	1.00 PM	<b>Aradhana &amp; Teertha Narayana Pooja</b>
17.12.2024 Tuesday	10.00 AM Onwards	Vidayatri utsavam



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## JAYANTHI CELEBRATION OF SADGURU SRI GNANANANDA

With the Grace and Blessings of Sadguru Sri Gnanananda Giri Swamigal, it is decided to celebrate the 'Thai Kirthigai Jayanthi' celebration of Sadgurudev on **6<sup>th</sup> February 2025** (Thursday) with the usual fervor and devotion. As part of the Jayanthi celebration of our Sadgurudev, Swami Sri Gnanananda Giri, there will be traditional Poojas for all temple Deities, Special Pada Pooja of Sadguru Padhugas, Special Pooja for Adhishtana Mahalingam, Special Mahabhishekam at Manimandapam Sannidhi of Sri Sadgurunathar and Procession of decorated Sadgurunathar picture image. There will also be special Namasankeerthanam program on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2025. All Devotees are cordially invited to participate in the Jayanthi Celebrations and receive Sri Sadgurunathar's Grace and Blessings.

**05-02-2025 Wednesday 7.00 - 9.00 pm - Namasankeerthanam By Sri Kadayannallur K S Rajagopal Bhagavadar & Group**

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**December 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024 – December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

**SEVA LIST**

1	SRI MAHA GANAPATHI HOMAM	3000
2	MAHARUDRAM (Mahanyasa Ekadasa Rudra Japa per day)	1500
3	MURUGAN KAVADI	750
4	SRI BHAGAVATHI SEVA	2500
5	SRI VISHNU SAHASRANAMA JAPA YAGNA (with Poolangi Seva, Sahasranama Archana)	1250
6	a) NAVAGRAHA HOMAM	1250
	b) NAVAGRAHA POOJAS	600
	c) SURYA NAMASKAR	500
7	MAHARUDRA HOMAM	3500
8	SRI CHANDI HOMAM (Navachandi) including Chandi Parayana, Avarana Pooja, Suhasini, Kumari and Vatu Poojas, Vasordhara, etc	4000
9	SRI SUDARSHANA HOMAM	2500
10	SRI SUKTHA HOMAM (An elaborate Homam with 10 Ritviks to the chant of Sri Sukta in laid with Sowbhagya Panchadasakshari Mantra special Dravyas such as 1008 red lotuses, sandalwood, etc. with Vasordhara to the chant of Sri Sukta)	3500
11	SRI VIDHYA HOMAM	2000
12	NAVAVARANA POOJA per day	750
13	AVAHANTI HOMAM	1500
14	ASHTOTHRASATA (108)	
	a) Kalasa Ksheera Abhisheka	1250
	b) Sahasra Sankha Abhisheka at the Adhishtanam	1250
15	<b>SPECIAL ABHISHEKA OF LORD NATARAJA &amp; PROCESSION (13.01.2025 )</b>	<b>3000</b>
16	ARADHANA	
	a) Special Vastrams — 16 Aradhana Ritviks & Acharya	8500
	b) Copper Water Pots, etc.	1750
	c) Dakshina	4000
	d) Food Expenses for Vaidika (Aradhana Day only)	8500
	e) Vaidika Food Expenses per day	4000
17	SRIMAD BHAGAVATHA SAPTHAHA	
	a) Parayana by Pandits	8500
	b) Sambhavana	25000

18	VEDA PARAYANA	
	a) Krishna Yajur Veda Krama Parayana	8500
	b) Sukla Yajur Veda	6000
	c) Rig Veda	4000
	d) Sama Veda	5000
	e) Atharvana Veda	2000
19	OTHER PARAYANAS	
	a) Sri Sankara's Bhasya on Gita, Upanishads and Brahmasutras	1250
	b) Sri Devi Bhagavatha	1250
	c) Srimad Ramayana	2000
	d) Siva Agama	1500
20	THEVARAM BY ODUVARS	3000
21	PANNIRU THIRUMURAI — Parayana	3000
22	MANIMANDAPAM MAHA ABHISHEGAM	600
23	SANDANAKAPPU ALANKARA with sandalwood paste and Archana	
	a) Sri Gnana Venugopala on the concluding day of Sapthaga	2000
	b) Sri Gnana Ganesa and Sri Gnana Skanda on the Aradhana Day	2000
	c) Sri Gnanapurisa, Sri Gnanambika and Sri Gnana Mahalakshmi on the Aradhana Day	3000
23	LAKSHARCHANA per Sahasranama	300
24	VIDAIYATRI UTSAVAM	500
25	a) FLOWER DECORATION per day	3500
	b) FLOWER DECORATION ON ARADHANA DAY	18000



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