



Sri Sathgurubhyo Namaha

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



INVITATION

December 21, 2025 to January 05, 2026



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The advent of our Sadguru Swami Gnanananda Giri is a mystery and must have been some time in the early 19th 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, Gna 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 Swamikal, it is decided to celebrate the 52nd Aradhana Festival at Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam. There will be Bhajans, Upanyasam, Nama Sankeerthanam, Music Concert from Sunday the 21st December 2025 to 5th January 2026.

The traditional ARADHANA, the special Pada Pooja and Maha Abhisheka and Pooja at the Shrine of Grace of His Adhishtana will take place on Sunday the 4th January 2026. (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.

20-10-2025

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**Annadhanam at Siddhalingamadam Ashram of Sadgurudev
on 3rd and 4th of January 2026.**



FIFTY SECOND ARADHANA CELEBRATIONS OF Sadguru Sri Gnanananda giri Swamigal

21.12.2025 - 05.01.2026

PROGRAMME

20.12.2025 Saturday	7.00 PM	Isai Samarpanam by Shri Shashank Ganeshan, Atlanta, USA
21.12.2025 Sunday	5.30 - 10.00 AM	Commencement of Aradhana Celebrations with worship of all Deities, Ganapathi Homam and Pada Pooja, Dwhaja Arohanam
	7.30 - 9.30 PM	"Guru Samarpanam" - By Shri Raman Shankar & Shishya Parivar
22.12.2025 Monday	5.00 - 10:30 AM	Commencement of Krishna Yajur Veda Parayanam, Maharudra Japam with Maha Sankalpam (till Aradhana day)
	6 - 11 AM	Srimad Bhagavata moola parayanam (22-28 Dec '25)
22.12.2025 to 30.12.2025	3.00 - 4.30 PM &	Srimad Valmiki Ramayanam by Dr. Shri Ranganji (Founder Acharya of Srimad Valmiki Ashrama, Bengaluru)
	7.00 - 9.00 PM	
24.12.2025 Wednesday	7.00 AM	Sri Maha Ganapati Homam
25.12.2025 Thursday	5.00 - 12.00 AM	Sri Srividya Ghata Sthapanam, Chandi Parayanam (till Chandi homam day) Sri Navavarana Pooja (till Poornima)
	6.00 AM	Commencement of Laksharchana at Adhishtanam (till Aradhana day)
26.12.2025 Friday	6.00 AM	Commencement of Shukla Yajur, Rig, Sama Veda, Devi Bhagavatham, Shrimad Ramayana, Sri Shankara Bhashya, Sivagama Parayanam (9 days)
	7.00 AM	Murugan Kavadi
	6.00 PM	Bhagavati Seva
28.12.2025 Sunday	6.00 AM	Surya Namaskaram, Navagraha Homam, Special Abhishekam to Navagraha Moorthis, Sri Chandi Ghata Sthapanam

30.12.2025 Tuesday	10.00 AM	Vaikunta Ekadasi, Vishnu Sahasranama Japa Yagnam
	7.00 - 9.00 PM	Conclusion of Srimad Valmiki Ramayanam by Dr. Shri Ranganji
	6.00 PM	Rama Nama Japa Yagnam
31.12.2025 Wednesday	8.00 AM	Sri Sudarshana Homam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeertanam By Shri Karthik Gnaneshwar Bhagavathar & Group
01.01.2026 Thursday	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
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeertanam By Smt Sivapriya Ramaswamy & Group, Bangalore
02.01.2026 Friday	7.00 AM Onwards	Sri Suktha Homam, Sri Avahanti Homam
	4.30 PM Onwards	Mani Mandapam Sri Sadgurunathar Maha Abhishekam, Sri Vidhya Homam, Poornahuti
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeerthanam By Shree Vittal Bhajan Mandali, Adambakkam, Chennai
03.01.2026 Saturday	5.00 AM - 12.00 Noon	108 Kalasa Ksheera Abhishekam 1008 Shankabhishekam at Adhishtanam Aarudhra Darisanam, Oodal utsavam
	7.30 - 9.00 PM	Namasankeerthanam By Shri Anand Bhagavathar (Muscat) & Group
04.01.2026 Sunday	5:30 AM Onwards	Aradhana day Pada Pooja and Maha Abhishekam and Pooja at Adhishtanam (Conclusion of Laksharchanaa)
	12.30 PM	Aradhana & Teertha Narayana Pooja
05.01.2026 Monday	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 **27th January 2026** (Thai-13, Tuesday) 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 26th January 2026. All Devotees are cordially invited to participate in the Jayanthi Celebrations and receive Sri Sadgurunathar's Grace and Blessings.

25-01-2026 Sunday 7.00 - 9.00 pm - Namasankeerthanam By

Srinidhi and Aditi Sisters & Group

26-01-2026 Monday 7.00 - 9.00 pm - Namasankeerthanam By

Chennai Shri. C.Nagarajan Bhagavadar & Group

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Sri Gnanananda Thapovanam
Fifty Second Aradhana Celebrations of
SADGURU SRI GNANANANDA GIRI SWAMIGAL

December 21st, 2025 - January 5th, 2026

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	
	a) Kalasa Ksheera Abhisheka (108)	1250
	b) Sahasra Sankha Abhisheka at the Adhishtanam (1008)	1250
15	SPECIAL ABHISHEKA OF LORD NATARAJA & PROCESSION (3.01.2026)	3000
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 Aradhana Day	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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Annadhanam (per day)

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- The detailed programme of the **Fifty Second Aradhana Celebrations** is given in the Invitation.
- Details (Name, Nakshatra, Gotra and Date) may be furnished to be included in the respective Sankalpas.

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