



# UNITY BULLETIN

Sathya Sai International Organisation of Australia and PNG  
Victorian Regions East and West

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*'The mind has to be completely emptied of all bad thoughts to achieve real peace'*

- Sathya Sai Baba



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### SAI CALENDAR OF EVENTS APRIL 2016

DATE	EVENT
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Ugadi</i>
Thur 14 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Tamil New Year</i>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Ramanavami</i>
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Vishu</i>
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Maha Samadhi Day celebrations</i>
Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>Easwaramma Day</i>



Extracts from 2003 Ramanavami Divine Discourse By Sathya Sai Baba

The sacred epic Ramayana is verily the Veda descended from heaven to earth. The Veda is classified into four: Rig Veda, Yajur Veda, Sama Veda, and Atharvana Veda. The Rig Veda helps, sustains and protects the ritual sacrifices. In the Ramayana, Rama symbolises Rig Veda. Lakshmana signifies Yajur Veda, which contains mantras chanted during the performance of ritual sacrifices. When Rama was away in the forest, Bharata stayed in Nandigrama singing His divine Name day in and day out. Hence, he symbolises Sama Veda. Satrugna was the one who annihilated the satrus (enemies) and protected the pious. He was obedient to his brothers. He stands for Atharvana Veda. The essence of Atharvana Veda lies in destroying wickedness and fostering sacred feelings and activities. The Ramayana is verily the Veda. The Veda is not different from the Ramayana. True humanness lies in understanding this. Rama, Lakshmana, Bharata, and Satrugna are the four sons of Dasaratha. Merely knowing this will not suffice. One should enquire and understand the inner meaning. Who is Dasaratha? He represents the human body consisting of ten senses (five senses of perception and five senses of action). Strictly speaking Rama, Lakshmana, Bharata, and Satrugna are not the sons of Dasaratha and his three wives. We should not think that they were born like mere mortals.

### IMPORTANT DATES

- ✓ 18th OF EACH MONTH - Articles/Events submitted to Regional Chairpersons
- ✓ 23rd OF EACH MONTH - Articles/Events verified and inserted in Unity Bulletin
- ✓ 25th OF EACH MONTH - Unity Bulletin finalised
- ✓ 27th OF EACH MONTH - Unity Bulletin published on the website

All late or urgent articles will only be considered on merit and under exceptional circumstances. All articles MUST be submitted to Regional Chairpersons prior to entry in Bulletin.

They are the embodiments of divine consciousness who emerged from the sacrificial fire. They set an ideal to parents, brothers, and sisters in every family and to humanity at large.

Today, due to the impact of Kali age, there is no unity and love among brothers in a family. There are conflicts among them leading to disturbances. On the contrary, Rama, Lakshmana, Bharata, and Satrughna had total unity among themselves. They delighted others by their unity. Even while playing games in their childhood, each aspired for the victory of the other. Once the four brothers as young lads were playing a game. Shortly thereafter, Bharata came to mother Kausalya, sat on her lap, and started weeping. She asked him, "Bharata, why are you feeling sad? Have you lost the game?" Bharata replied, "Mother, I would have been happy if that were to be the case, but when I was about to lose the game, Rama managed to lose the game and made me the winner. I am upset at the defeat of my elder brother." What an example of fraternal love!

## **Maha Samadhi Day Celebrations - East & West:**

Sunday, 24 April 2016 (3:00 pm to 6:00 pm)

Venue - Preston Town Hall, 284 Gower St, Preston VIC 3072



## **Easwarramma Day Celebrations**



### **Knitted Comfort Bears for Fiji**

“Members of the Sai Medical Unit of Sathya Sai International Organisation of Australia & PNG. have been providing voluntary free medical service in rural Fiji for the last seven years. A great number of children from very poor families also come to these camps to seek medical aid. Out of love for these children, it has been suggested (and agreed to by Dr Gunu Naker, Team Leader and State Coordinator) that we provide knitted comfort bears to these children.

To date since April 2002 Sathya Sai Organisation members have donated over 1263 bears within Australia and over 2000 donated overseas. How do we go about getting the whole of Victoria doing the same thing? If you need the pattern on how to make these, kindly contact: Ami Chand on 95850273 or Trish Newcombe on 97726643 or Ursula Aruma on 95125597 Instructions are also available on ssswebsite

### **Unity Bhajan –Rama Navami:**

Friday, 15 April 2016 - Time 7:45 pm

Hosted by Box Hill Sai Centre.

Venue: 29 Strabane Avenue, Box Hill North.



### **East Region**

Sunday, 8 May 2016 (2:00 pm to 5:00 pm )

Venue- St Judes Community Centre, 49 George St, Scoresby

### **West Region**

Sunday, 8th May 2016. (Time TBA)

Venue: Epping Memorial Hall

### **Overseas Speaker Mr Jegadeesan's visit to Melbourne**

**(please note this in your diaries)**

Youth Program

on Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

Venue: Eley Park Hall, 87 Eley Road, Blackburn south.

For all devotees

on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> June 2016 from 2.30 to 5.30 pm

Programs in West Region to be confirmed.

## NOTICES

### Home Devotional Singing

**Tuesday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2016 @ 7: 30 pm**

**Where:** 21 Magnolia Ave, East Bentleigh (Melway Ref: 78 D1)

**Contact:** Norma Brown - 9563 7872

**Saturday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2016 @ 6.00 pm**

**Where:** 48 Creek Road, Mitcham (Melway Ref: 48 105)

**Contact:** Ramesh & Rajesh- 98745373

### VEDAM CHANTING

Anyone wishing to learn Vedam chanting please contact Mahen - 0413607965

#### West Region

Every Sunday – Time 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Venue: 7 Lomandra Court, Bundoora

For further details contact: Kalai – 0402 957 957

#### East Region

Every Sunday – time: 9:00 am to 10:00 am

Venue: 44 Nothan Road, Wantirna

Contact: Mahen - 0413607965

#### Learning over SKYPE

Every Working day: Time: 7:00 am to 7.25 am

Contact : Achuta - 9511 4463

Service to man is Service to God – Sathya Sai Baba

#### Every Monday in Footscray Area



6.00 - 7.00 pm: Nicholson Mall, Footscray.  
More volunteers needed who can cook and supply vegetarian pasta, rice, curry, noodles, fruits, salad etc.

**For more information, Please contact:**  
**Bob - 9395 1085 Judy - 9741 1201**

#### Every Tuesday in Dandenong Area



7.30 – 9.00 pm: Dandenong Market Foyer,  
Clow St., Dandenong. Melway Ref: 90 E7

**For more information Please contact:**  
**Sanjay - 0409515092 Santhakumar- 0402455779**

#### Every Thursday in the City



8.30 – 10.00 pm: Victoria Market  
(behind the car park, Franklin St)

We serve: cooked vegetarian food, biscuits/cookies, coffee, tea and Milo, fresh fruits & packet juice.

**For more information please contact:**  
**Rajan Babu - 0434054347 Ching Ong - 0425715026**

#### School Breakfast Program

Breakfast is served in a number of schools throughout Victoria during the weekdays. For information on how to get involved, please contact the relevant people below:

#### Victoria Sai East Region

Clayton and Springvale Primary Schools

Bhagavantam Dasika - 98034552

Sanjay Unadkat - 0409 515 092

#### Victoria Sai West Region

Thomastown Primary School

Vasanth Ravi - 9467 5845



#### Recycling at the Mews

Women of the University Fund (WUF) would greatly appreciate your help in procuring following items for recycling

- STAMPS (urgently required): preferably with envelope cut in half.
- WOOL, ALUMINIUM CANS, CLEAN ALUMINIUM FOIL, GREETING CARDS, BOOKS, BRIC-A-BRAC, etc.

**For more information please contact: Trish – 9772 6643**

#### SAI BABA BOOKS & INFORMATION CENTRE



Manager and Central Supplier - Margaret McDonald SaiBooks/ DVD's /Bhajan CD's are available at cost price. **For enquiries & orders, please contact Margaret or Randall McDonald – 9722 1740**

**NOTE: Sai Organisation does not render insurance indemnity for participation in home bhajans.**

## VICTORIAN CENTRE/GROUP MEETING TIMES

Please be seated 15 minutes before the start

	CENTRE / GROUP	MEL WAY	DAY	TIME	CONTACT	PHONE
<b>S A I E A S T R E G I O N</b>	<b>BERWICK</b> 19 Beldale Court, Berwick	110 H3	Each SUNDAY	10.00 am	Gary Thorpy	97020457 or 0405452 575
	<b>BOX HILL</b> 29 Strabane Avenue, Mont Albert North	47 A6	Each FRIDAY	7.45 pm	Sharma Mohan	0417394941
	<b>CLARINDA</b> Clarinda State School, 1166 Centre Rd, Clayton South	78 J3	Each THURSDAY	7.30pm	Keshi De Silva	0450425151
	<b>CLAYTON</b> Clayton South Primary School, 539 Clayton Road (entrance via Narrumburn St.), Clayton South	79 B3	Each THURSDAY	7.30pm	Ritesh Puran	95705562 or 0415457405
	<b>CHELTENHAM</b> 218 Centre Dandenong Rd, Cheltenham	87 D2	Each THURSDAY	7.30pm	Vinesh Latchman	0407809204
	<b>DONCASTER EAST GROUP</b> 105 Beverley Street, Doncaster East  97 Blackburn Road, Doncaster East		1 <sup>st</sup> FRIDAY  3 <sup>rd</sup> FRIDAY	7.45 pm	Dr Surendar Kumar	0422434869
	<b>ENDEAVOUR HILLS</b> Hallam Gardens Children's Centre, 26- 28 Nettle Drive Hallam	91 J12	Each THURSDAY	7.30 pm	Brenda Prasad	(03) 97558050 or 0431242922
	<b>MORNINGTON GROUP</b> Rotating venues (Please call for details)	N/A	1 <sup>st</sup> SATURDAY	2:00 pm	Christine Maskiell	97879834
	<b>NUNAWADING</b> East Burwood Hall, East Burwood Reserve, 310 Burwood Hwy, East Burwood	62 C7	Each THURSDAY	7.30 pm	Dr Ramani Sivakadachan	0412252472
	<b>OUTER EASTERN GROUP</b> Rotating venues (Please call for details)	N/A	1 <sup>st</sup> SUNDAY	4.00 pm	Randall McDonald	(03) 9722 1740
	<b>SPRINGVALE</b> 1A, The Crescent,, Springvale 3171	79 K11	Each SUNDAY	10.30 am	Saras Verma	97010925 or 0406886848
	<b>WAVERLEY</b> Highvale Primary School, Ashton St, Glen Waverley	62 E10	Each FRIDAY	7.30 pm	Santhakumaran	97785675 or 0403455774
	<b>S A I W E S T R E G I O N</b>	<b>BARANDUDA / ALBURY GROUP</b> 221B Andrews Street, Albury,NSW2060	N/A	1st THURSDAY 3 <sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY	7.30 pm 10.30 am	Padma Ayyagiri
<b>EPPING</b> Meadow Glen International Athletics Stadium (Function Room) McDonalds Rd, Epping		182 J10	Each THURSDAY	7.30 pm	Suruj Nair	0408401564
<b>EUROA GROUP</b> 'Alchera' 234 Gap Road, East Longwood		N/A	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday	11.00 am	Chris Parnell	5821 3483
<b>GEELONG GROUP</b> 15 Koorong Court, Highton.		465 B2	Alt FRIIDAYS	7.30 pm	Selva Selvalingam	(03) 5244 2802 or 0417 552 760
<b>HOPPERS CROSSING</b> Activity Room 3, Central Park Community Centre 80 Lonsdale Circuit, Hoppers Crossing		206 J1	Each THURSDAY	7.30 pm	Swamirathan Pazhannur	0402401051
<b>MELBOURNE</b> St Josephs Church Hall, Fitzgerald St (off Chapel St) South Yarra		58 D4	Each SUNDAY	4.30 pm	SantaRam	0451030858
<b>MILL PARK</b> Mill Park Community Centre, Cnr. of Blamey Avenue and Mill Park Drive, Mill Park		10 A6	Each FRIDAY	7.30 pm	Sukanthi Sanjeevan	0413987454
<b>SEDDON</b> Uniting Church Community Hall, cnr Gamon & Mackay St, Seddon		42 A7	1 <sup>st</sup> TUESDAY	7.30 pm	Sarma Pochincharla	(03) 9395 4880 or 0419 304 754
<b>CAROLINE SPRINGS (Formerly Sunshine)</b> Stevenson House, 10 Stevenson Crescent Caroline Springs		358 G1	Each SUNDAY	4.00 pm	Sivakumar Kandiah	0402787284
<b>TARNEIT</b> Penrose community Center, 83 Penrose Promenade, Tarneit.		202 C2	Each THURSDAY	7.30 pm	Jyothi Subadra Briers	0470 468 948