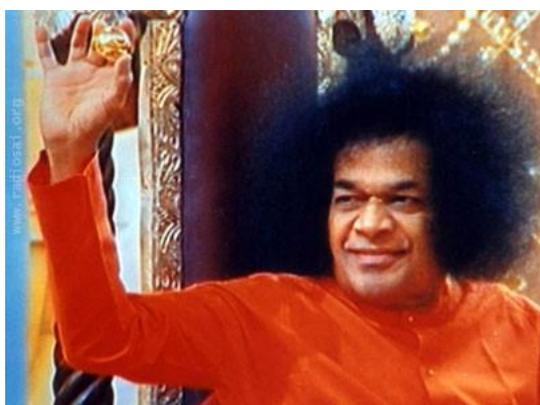


Read about the Shivratri Celebrations, Blood Donation and the 11th World Conference



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"The Lingam is the transitional link between the form-less and the form aspects of Godhead. The emergence of the Lingam represents the Emergence of the Cosmos from the Formless. Do not exaggerate the creation and the manifestation of the Lingam from Me. In Me who can create the worlds and fill the Universe, there are things more worthy of

adoration, that is Universal Love." *Sathya Sai Baba*

Jai Sai Ram Welcome to a brand new year of 2020. This year marks the 95th birth anniversary of Sathya Sai Baba and serves as a reminder of His glorious message and mission for which the Avatar took human form on this earth. We will be marking this momentous year with many special activities and events (some of which are detailed here). But please do share your thoughts on how you would like to celebrate this important year by [emailing us](#). As always we try to organise a variety of different types of activities and we hope you find inspiration to join us in something that appeals to you.

Your 2020 Centre Coordinators

Most of the centre coordinators have kindly agreed to continue in their posts. We would like to thank each one of them and those who are stepping down for their hard work and dedication over the years in leading our centre activities. As a reminder these are the centre coordinators and their roles:

Sanjay Samani - Centre President

Savitaben Chauhan - Service Coordinator

Hansaben Popat - Assistant Service Coordinator

Jagdishbhai Chauhan - Service Coordinator

Ashaben Jivraj - Bhajan Coordinator

Vijayanbhai Rengarajan - Spiritual Coordinator

Jaybhai Modha - Spiritual Coordinator

Harshiniben Jogia - Youth Coordinator

Bhaveshbhai Mistry - Youth Coordinator

Miraben Gadhia - SSE Coordinator

Niteshbhai Patel - Treasurer

Shivratri 2020

This year we are celebrating the festival of Shivratri in Leicester and as a region in Coventry. Please see the posters below for more details about both events.



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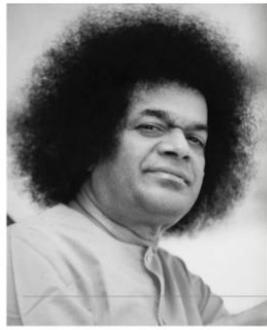
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MAHA SHIVRATRI CELEBRATIONS



FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY | 7PM-9PM

SOAR VALLEY COLLEGE, GLENEAGLES AVENUE, LE4 7GY



6.00pm to midnight is
Coventry centre event
Midnight to 6.00am is
Regional event



Sathya Sai International
Organisation UK
Coventry Centre

Maha Shivratri

A Regional Event

Friday 21st – Saturday 22nd February 2020
From Friday 6.00pm to
Saturday 6.00am

All are welcome

*"You are the Eternal Paramatma
If only you realise your innate power"*
- Baba

Brother Chirag from Leicester will be conducting the Shiva Puja. Devotees wishing to participate in this puja should notify the centre via email (see below) and further details will be provided

For further details, contact Shyam Kumar: 07703126314
email: coventrysaicentre@gmail.com

**Venue: Shree Mandhata Samaj, Cross Road (off Stoney Stanton Road),
Coventry CV6 5FX**



Blood Donation

Giving blood saves lives. The blood you give is a lifeline in an emergency and for people who need long-term treatments. Black, Asian and minority ethnic donors are specifically needed right now because:

- some patients who receive frequent blood transfusions need blood to be closely matched to their own
- a number of blood conditions, like sickle cell disease which is treated through blood transfusions, most commonly affect black, Asian and minority ethnic people
- the best match typically comes from blood donors from the same ethnic background



**Save a life
Give blood**

Our youth are organising a way for us all to save lives - by giving blood. Harshini our youth coordinator will be doing a presentation about why this is so important at our centre on **Sunday 9th February**. The actual blood donation will be on **Saturday 22nd February**. Please speak to Harshini for more details about this important initiative.

Region 4 Ladies Retreat

It gives us immense pleasure in inviting our sisters, aunts, or friends to the Ladies Retreat. Following the success of the previous Ladies Retreat, where we had activities such as study circles, workshops to create our own songs and role plays, card and glass painting, colour therapy, outdoor team games and devotional singing etc. we would like to share this wonderful opportunity with you once again.

It will be a weekend event, on 25th and 26th July 2020 at Lea Green Learning and Development Centre, Main Road, Lea Green, Matlock, DE4 5GJ. The theme for the retreat is “**Empower the Divinity Within**”. We would be grateful if you could please register by clicking this [link](http://bit.ly/Ladies-Retreat) There are only 84 places with accommodation. The weekend retreat is open to anyone of age 18+. It will be prioritised for Region 4 and then it will be open to other regions. It is very popular so book your place as soon as possible. **The closing date for registering is 28th June 20.**



Pre World Conference and Young Adults Festival

As per the introduction to this month's newsletter, 2020 marks a very important year – the 95th birth anniversary of Swami. We will be offering our love and gratitude to Him by celebrating His 95th Birthday in 2020 with many special devotional programmes, service projects, educational events and conferences, throughout the year, here in the UK and around the world. This will culminate in a grand, joyous and holy Birthday celebrations in Prasanthi Nilayam in November 2020.



As part of the 95th Birthday celebrations of our Lord Sai, the Sathya Sai International Organisation will hold the 11th World Conference in Prasanthi Nilayam on 16th, 17th and 18th November 2020. The theme of the Conference is "Unity is Divinity; Purity is Enlightenment". Held every 5 years, the World Conference will feature inspiring addresses, panel discussions, multi-media presentations, sharing of personal transformations, selected SSIO projects, musical and cultural performances, programmes by children, and many other inspiring items.



Starting in February 2020, Pre-World Conferences/Young Adult Festivals will be held in at least 16 countries in all Zones. Further information about the 11th World Conference and the Pre-World Conferences/Young Adult Festivals will be shared with you in future newsletters. However, please save the date for the UK's Pre-World Conference/Young Adult Festival which will be held on **28th - 29th March 2020**.

2020 UK National Council

It gives us great pleasure to introduce the National Council Members of United Kingdom for 2020 listed below. We wish them the very best of luck in their roles and hope to support them as best as possible. You will see some familiar Leicester names as part of the new National Team!

meet the national team



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