

IMPORTANT GURU PUJAS OF THE RISHICULTURE ASHTANGA YOGA PARAMPARA

2013

10 th January	Srila Sri Kambaliswamigal Swamigal Guru Puja. The annual celebration of the Param Guru of the South Indian tradition to which our Swamiji became a successor as Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam. Hailed as the King of the world of Ashtanga Yoga, he was a master of Yoga with numerous Siddhis.
10 th January	Srila Sri Gitananda Swamigal Guru Puja. Celebration of the Maha Samadhi of our beloved Guru who has given us this great Yoga Vidya and shown us the path to liberation.
2 nd February	All night AUM Chanting in honor of the Jayanthi of Yogamaharishi Srila Sri Kakananda Swamigal, the Yoga Guru of our beloved Pujya Swamiji, Gitananda Giri Guru Maharaj
3 rd February	Srila Sri Kakananda Swamigal Jayanthi. Celebrated with the all night Om chanting the previous night and then a grand fire offering in the morning in celebration of the birth of this grand master of Yantra, Mantra and Tantra Yoga.
10 th March	Maha Shivaratri Puja. The grand night of Lord Shiva where he dances his cosmic Tandava dance of transformation. Special Puja is done at the Kambaliswamy Madam to the Shivalingam that is under the giant Shiva Shakti Tandava statue. Following this the annual Pada Yatra is done by procession of the mud lingam from the Madam to ICYER where it is immersed in the ocean at sunrise.
11 th March	Srila Sri Shanmuga Swamigal Guru Puja. This is the annual celebration of the Guru who was the third Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam after Srila Sri Ambalavana Swamigal and Srila Sri Manikka Swamigal.
16 th April	The Jayanthi celebrations for Yogacharya Dr Ananda Balayogi Bhavanani, son and the successor to Swamiji and Ammaji and present Madathiapathy of Sri Kambaliswamy Madam.
28 th May	Srila Sri Shankara Giri Swamigal Guru Puja. This is the annual celebration of the Guru who was the immediate predecessor to our Swamiji as Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam. He was a great Siddha with knowledge of traditional medicine and lived in the Sri Rengaih Madam at Melavanjore, near Karaikal.

23 rd June	Srila Sri Manikka Swamigal Guru Puja. This is the annual celebration of the Guru who was the second Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam after Srila Sri Ambalavana Swamigal.
22 nd July	Vyasa Guru Purnima. This is the celebration for the Guru spirit as it is the birth celebrations of the great sage Veda Vyasa who codified the Vedas, the Mahabharata and the Puranas. It is also the birth celebrations for our Guru, Pujya Swamiji, Gitananda Giri Guru Maharaj.
6 th August	Srila Sri Ambalavana Swamigal Guru Puja. This is the annual celebration of the Guru who was the first Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam and was the one who placed the Param Guru Srila Sri Kambaliswamigal in Samadhi.
6 th August	Srila Sri Subramaniya Swamigal Guru Puja. This is the annual celebration of the Guru who was the predecessor to Srila Sri Sankaragiri Swamigal who later appointed our Swamiji as Madathipathi at the Sri Kambaliswamy Madam.
13 th September	The Jayanthi celebrations for Ammaji who is the living manifestation of Swamiji's teachings and is the light of our times, helping us to understand Swamiji's great teachings and the best role model of a Yogic life.
16 th December	Swami Gitananda Giri Samadhi Purnima Puja. The Samadhi full moon celebration of the day Swamiji attained to Maha Samadhi. One of greatest of modern masters with the most amazing body of teachings that is a path for all of us to follow in this lifetime and more to come. A truly realized master.
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