

Calendar Year 2017, Vikram Samvat 2073-74

Main Festivals and Events in Omkarananda Ashram Winterthur, Switzerland



2017	Day	Month	Paksha	Tithi	Festival/Event
Jan 01	Sun	Posha	Shukla	3 (Tritiyā)	New Year
Jan 04	Wed	Posha	Shukla	6 (Shashti)	Omkarananda Mahāsamādhi Day Havan and Pujan
Jan 12	Thurs	Posha	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Swami Vivekananda Jayanti
Jan 14	Sat	Posha	Krishna	2 (Dvitiyā)	Sankrānti
Feb 01	Wed	Mahā	Shukla	5 (Panchami)	Vasant Panchami
Feb 14	Tues	Mahā	Krishna	4 (Chaturthi)	Valentine's day
Feb 24	Fri	Mahā	Krishna	13 (Trayodashi)	Mahā Shivarātri
Mar 12	Sun	Fālgun	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Holi
Mar 14	Tues	Fālgun	Krishna	2 (Dvitiyā)	Tukārām Punya Tithi
Mar 18	Sat	Fālgun	Krishna	6 (Shashti)	Eknāth Shashti
Mar 28	Tues	Chaitra	Shukla	1 (Pratipadā)	Chaitri Navarātri / Gudi Padavo
Apr 05	Wed	Chaitra	Shukla	9 (Navami)	Rām Navami
Apr 09	Sun	Chaitra	Shukla	13 (Trayodashi)	Mahāvīr Jayanti
Apr 11	Tues	Chaitra	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Hanumān Jayanti
Apr 14	Fri	Chaitra	Krishna	3 (Tritiyā)	Good Friday
Apr 16	Sun	Chaitra	Krishna	5 (Panchami)	Easter Sunday
Apr 22	Sat	Chaitra	Krishna	11 (Ekādashi)	Srī Vallabhāchārya Jayanti
Apr 28	Fri	Vaishākha	Shukla	3 (Tritiyā)	Akshaya Tritiyā / Parashurām Jayanti
Apr 30	Sun	Vaishākha	Shukla	5 (Panchami)	Ādya Shankarā Jayanti Sri Rāmānujāchārya Jayanti
May 10	Wed	Vaishākha	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Buddha Jayanti-Buddha Purnimā
May 12	Fri	Vaishākha	Krishna	2 (Dvitiyā)	Nārad Jayanti
May 14	Sun	Vaishākha	Krishna	3 (Tritiyā)	Mother's day
June 05	Mon	Jyeshthā	Shukla	11 (Ekādashi)	Gāyatri Jayanti
June 18	Sun	Jyeshthā	Krishna	9 (Navami)	Father's day
June 25	Sun	Ashādhā	Shukla	2 (Dvitiyā)	Rathyātrā
July 04	Tues	Ashādhā	Shukla	11 (Ekādashi)	Dev Shayani Ekādashi Chāturmas Vrata starts
July 09	Sun	Ashādhā	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Guru Pūrnima
July 30	Sun	Shrāvan	Shukla	7 (Saptami)	Tulsidās Jayanti
Aug 07	Mon	Shrāvan	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Rakshā Bandhan
Aug 15	Tues	Shrāvan	Krishna	8 (Ashtami)	Krishna Janmāshtami Gnyānadev Jayanti & Shri Arvind Jayanti
Aug 25	Fri	Bhādrapad	Shukla	4 (Chaturthi)	Ganesh Chaturthi
Sept 03	Sun	Bhādrapad	Shukla	12 (Dvādashi)	Grandparent's day
Sept 05	Tues	Bhādrapad	Shukla	14 (Chaturdashi)	Anant Chaturdashi

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Sep 21	Thurs	Ashwin	Shukla	1 (Pratipadā)	Navarātri begins
Sep 27	Wed	Ashwin	Shukla	7 (Saptami)	Sarasvati Āvāhan / Durgā Saptami
Sep 28	Thurs	Ashwin	Shukla	8 (Ashtami)	Durgā Ashtami / Sarasvati Pūjan / Mahā Ashtami
Sep 30	Sat	Ashwin	Shukla	10 (Dashami)	Vijayā Dashami / Sarasvati-Visarjan Shirdi Sāi Bābā Punya Tithi
Oct 02	Mon	Ashwin	Shukla	12 (Dvādashi)	Mahātmā Gāndhi Jayantī
Oct 05	Thurs	Ashwin	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Sharad Pūrnimā
Oct 16	Mon	Ashwin	Krishna	12 (Dvādashi)	Guru Dvādashi / Wāgh Bāras
Oct 17	Tues	Ashwin	Krishna	13 (Trayodashi)	Dhan Theras (Trayodashi)
Oct 18	Wed	Ashwin	Krishna	14 (Chaturdashi)	Narak Chaturdashi / Hanumān Pūjan
Oct 19	Thurs	Ashwin	Krishna	30 (Amāvasya)	Dipāvali / Shāradā Pūjan / Lakshmi Pūjan
Oct 20	Fri	Kārtik	Shukla	1 (Pratipadā)	Nūtan Varsha / Annakūt Vikram Samvat 2074
Oct 21	Sat	Kārtik	Shukla	2 (Dvitiyā)	Bhāi Beej (Sisters invite brothers for meal)
Oct 25	Wed	Kārtik	Shukla	5 (Panchami)	Lābha Pañchami
Oct 27	Fri	Kārtik	Shukla	7 (Saptami)	Jalarām Jayantī
Oct 31	Tues	Kārtik	Shukla	11 (Ekādashi)	Dev ūthi Ekādashi / Tulasi Vivāha Chāturmas ends
Nov 04	Sat	Kārtik	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Dev Divāli / Guru Nanak Jayantī
Nov 23	Thurs	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	5 (Panchami)	Thanksgiving Day
Nov 30	Thurs	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	11 (Ekādashi)	Gītā Jayantī
Dec 03	Sun	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	15 (Pūrnimā)	Dattātreya Jayantī
Dec 24	Sun	Posha	Shukla	6 (Shashti)	X-mas-Eve
Dec 25	Mon	Posha	Shukla	7 (Saptami)	X-mas-Day / Omkarananda Jayantī
Dec 31	Sun	Posha	Shukla	13 (Trayodashi)	Silvester - New Year's Eve
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Jan 01	Mon	Posha	Shukla	14 (Chaturdashi)	New Year 2018
Jan 04	Thurs	Posha	Krishna	2 (Dvitiyā)	Omkarananda Mahāsamādhi Day Havan and Pūjan

Observe following performances in celebration of main festivals:

On **RAMNAVAMI**: Recitations of Rāmaraksha Stotra, Sunderkand, Rām Dhoon: “Rām Rām Rām Rām, Sita-Rām Sita-Rām”

On **HANUMAN JAYANTI**: Recitation (11 or 40 times) of Hanumān Chālisa and Sundarkand, near Rāmparivār. And Rāmaraksha-Stotra in the beginning and at the end. Recitation of the Mantra: Rāma Lakshmana jānaki jay bolo Hanumāna ki. (Note: When Rāma's name is recited, Hanumān is certainly present there)

On **GURUPURNIMA**: Guru Pūjan, recitation of Gurusaptashati. Recitation of the Mantra: Om Drām Dattātreyāya namah.

On **KRISHNA JANAMASHTAMI**: Recitation of the Mantra: “Shri Krishnah sharanam mama”. Recitation of Shrimad Bhagavad Gita, at least chapters 9, 12, 15 and 18.

On **GANESH CHATURTHI** and 10 days Ganesh Utsav in Bhadrapad. Recitation in sound voice of “OM Gam Ganapataye namah” near Ganesha Murti. Recitation of 21 times Ganesha Atharvashirsha.

On **SOMVATI AMAVASYA** and in Shravan Mās in Shiva-Temple. Recitation in low voice: “OM namah Shivāya – OM Tryambakam yajamahe – OM namah Shivāya”

On **DATTATREYA JAYANTI**: Low sound recitation of Dattanāma-Sankīrtanam and Digambara Dhoon near Datta Mūrti. Recitation of Mantra: “Om Drām Dattātreyāya namah”.

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On each occasion recitation of 21 times Ganesha-Atharvashirsha



Vināyak Chaturthi in Shukla Paksha (before Pūrṇimā, Fullmoon) **Sankashta Chaturthi in Krishna Paksha** (between fullmoon and new moon)

Date	Day	Maas	Paksha	Chaturthī
Jan 02	Mon	Posha	Shukla	Vināyak
Jan 16	Mon	Posha	Krishna	Sankashta
Jan 31	Tues	Māgha	Shukla	ANGĀRAKI
Feb 14	Tues	Māgha	Krishna	ANGĀRAKI
Mar 02	Thurs	Fālgun	Shukla	Vināyak
Mar 16	Thurs	Fālgun	Krishna	Sankashta
Mar 31	Fri	Chaitra	Shukla	Vināyak
Apr 14	Fri	Chaitra	Krishna	Sankashta
Apr 29	Sat	Vaishākha	Shukla	Vināyak
May 15	Mon	Vaishākha	Krishna	Sankashta
May 29	Mon	Jyeshtha	Shukla	Vināyak
Jun 13	Tues	Jyeshtha	Krishna	ANGĀRAKI
Jun 27	Tues	Ashādha	Shukla	ANGĀRAKI
July 13	Thurs	Ashādha	Krishna	Sankashta
July 27	Thurs	Shrāvan	Shukla	Vināyak
Aug 11	Fri	Shrāvan	Krishna	Sankashta
Aug 25	Fri	Bhādrapad	Shukla	Vināyak
Sep 10	Sun	Bhādrapad	Krishna	Sankashta
Sep 24	Sun	Ashwin	Shukla	Vināyak
Oct 09	Mon	Ashwin	Krishna	Sankashta
Oct 23	Mon	Kārtik	Shukla	Vināyak
Nov 07	Tues	Kārtik	Krishna	ANGĀRAKI
Nov 22	Wed	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	Vināyak
Dec 07	Thurs	Mārgashirsha	Krishna	Sankashta
Dec 22	Fri	Posha	Shukla	Vināyak

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Recitation of Narayana-Sukta and Vishnu-Sahasranama



Date	Day	Month	Paksha	Tithi	Name
Jan 09	Mon	Posha	Shukla	11	Putradā Ekādashi
Jan 23	Mon	Posha	Krishna	11	Shaṭtilā-Ekādashi
Feb 07	Tues	Māgha	Shukla	11	Jayā-Ekādashi
Feb 22	Wed	Māgha	Krishna	11	Vijayā-Ekādashi
Mar 08	Wed	Fālgun	Shukla	11	Āmalki-Ekādashi
Mar 24	Fri	Fālgun	Krishna	11	Pāpmochani-Ekādashi
Apr 07	Fri	Chaitra	Shukla	11	Kāmadā-Ekādashi
Apr 23	Sun	Chaitra	Krishna	11	Varūthinī-Ekādashi Vallabhāchārya Jayantī
May 06	Sat	Vaishākha	Shukla	11	Mohini-Ekādashi
May 22	Mon	Vaishākha	Krishna	11	Aparā-Ekādashi
June 05	Mon	Jyeshtha	Shukla	11	Bhim-Ekādashi / Gāyatri-Jayantī
June 20	Tues	Jyeshtha	Krishna	11	Yogini-Ekādashi
July 04	Tues	Ashādha	Shukla	11	Devshayani-Ekādashi (Chaturmās starts)
July 20	Thurs	Ashādha	Krishna	11	Kāmikā-Ekādashi
Aug 03	Thurs	Shrāvan	Shukla	11	Pavitrā-Ekādashi
Aug 18	Fri	Shrāvan	Krishna	11	Ajā-Ekādashi
Sep 02	Sat	Bhādrapada	Shukla	11	Parivartini-Ekādashi
Sep 16	Sat	Bhādrapada	Krishna	11	Indira-Ekādashi
Oct 01	Sun	Ashwin	Shukla	11	Pāshānkushā-Ekādashi
Oct 15	Sun	Ashwin	Krishna	11	Ramā-Ekādashi
Oct 31	Tues	Kārtik	Shukla	11	Prabodhini Ekādashi (Chaturmās ends) (Tulsi-Vivah starts)
Nov 14	Tues	Kārtik	Krishna	11	Utpatti-Ekādashi
Nov 30	Thurs	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	11	Mokshadā-Ekādashi (Bhagavad Gīta Jayantī)
Dec 13	Wed	Mārgashirsha	Krishna	11	Safala Ekādashi
Dec 30	Sat	Posha	Shukla	11	Putradā Ekādashi

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FULL MOON - Pūrṇimā 2017

On each occasion perform Satyanarayana-Puja and Badrinarayana-Puja

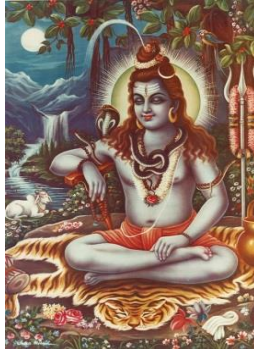


Date	Day	Month	Paksha	Tithi	Name
Jan 12	Thurs	Posha	Shukla	15	Poshi-Pūrṇimā
Feb 10	Fri	Māgha	Shukla	15	Māghī-Pūrṇimā
Mar 12	Sun	Fālgun	Shukla	15	Holikā Dahan-Pūrṇimā
Apr 11	Tues	Chaitra	Shukla	15	Shri Hanumān-Jayantī
May 10	Wed	Vaishākha	Shukla	15	Buddha-Jayantī-Pūrṇimā
Jun 09	Fri	Jyeshtha	Shukla	15	Vata Sāvitrī-Pūrṇimā
July 09	Sun	Ashādha	Shukla	15	Guru (Vyās) Pūrṇimā
Aug 07	Mon	Shrāvan	Shukla	15	Rakshābandhan Pūrṇimā
Sep 06	Wed	Bhādrapada	Shukla	15	Praushtha-padi Pūrṇimā
Oct 05	Thurs	Ashwin	Shukla	15	Sharad Pūrṇimā
Nov 04	Sat	Kārtik	Shukla	15	Dev-Divāli / Tulsi-Vivāha end
Dec 03	Sun	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	15	Datta-Jayantī



Durgā Ashthami 2017

Date	Day	Maas	Paksha	Tithi	
Jan 06	Fri	Posha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Feb 04	Sat	Māgha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Mar 05	Sun	Fālgun	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Apr 04	Tues	Chaitra	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
May 03	Wed	Vaishākha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Jun 02	Fri	Jyeshtha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
July 01	Sat	Ashādha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
July 31	Mon	Shrāvan	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Aug 29	Tues	Bhādrapada	Shukla	8	Rādhā Ashthami
Sep 28	Thurs	Ashwin	Shukla	8	Mahā Ashthami/Saraswati Avahana
Oct 28	Sat	Kārtik	Shukla	8	Gopāshtami
Nov 27	Mon	Mārgashirsha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami
Dec 26	Tues	Posha	Shukla	8	Durgā Ashthami



Gurupushyāmr̥t Yog (Thursday of good omen) Year 2017

Date	Weekday	Maas	Paksha	Tithi	Duration
Mar 09	Thurs	Fālgun	Shukla	Dvadashi	till 5:12 pm
Dec 07	Thurs	Mārgashirsha	Krishna	Chaturthi	till 7:54 pm

Recite mainly Devi Sooktam and Guru Mantras.

Somavati Amāvāsyā (New Moon Day on Monday) Year 2017

Date	Weekday	Maas	Paksha	Tithi	Duration
Aug 21	Mon	Shrāvan	Krishna	New Moon Day	full day and night
Dec 18	Mon	Mārgashirsha	Krishna	New Moon Day	till 12:00 noon

Recite Rudri, Namak- and Chamakam, repeat 11 times Shiva Mahimna Stotram, at the end Dvadasha Jyotirlingam, Shiva Shadakshara Stotram, Shiva Panchakshara Stotram.

Continuous Mantra: OM Namah Shivaya.

ECLIPSES Year 2017

Date	Weekday	Maas	Paksha	
Feb 26	Sun	Māgh	Amāvāsyā	Annular (Ring) Solar-Eclipse; Kankanaakruti Soorya Grahan
Aug 07	Mon	Shrāvan	Pūrṇimā	Shadow (Partial) Moon-Eclipse; Khandagras - Aanshik - Chandra Grahan
Aug 21	Mon	Shrāvan	Amāvāsyā	Total (Full) Solar-Eclipse; Khagras Purna Soorya Grahan

Continous recitation of Gayatri-Mantras on every floor of the temple, office building and kitchen. Keep environment full of Gayatri-Mantras-vibrations, possibly everywhere in Ashram.