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**“THE GLORY OF SHIRDI SAI” ENTERS THE SEVENTH YEAR**

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## **1. FROM THE SATSANGHS OF SAIBANISA JI**

### **FOUNDATION STONES FOR THE SPIRITUAL LIFE**

150. To control the army, a capable Chief is required. Similarly for better control of family, a capable lady (wife or mother) is required.

151. Even though you have given a birth to a baby girl, she will not stay permanently with you as she has to get married and leave the house.

152. The ladies should be given utmost respect in the society. If anyone crosses this, they deserve punishment from the society.

153. You should know that you will get many people around you who will go on praising. But it is difficult to find persons who will give healthy criticism. So it is your duty to select between a praise and healthy criticism.

154. In the society, the intellectuals should be given due respect, otherwise, society turns lawless and will be full of unrest.

155. A wise government should collect taxes from the people in such a way as honey bee collects honey from the flowers.

156. The way the Alum clears the dirt from the water, participation in the Satsanghs (company of learned people) will clear all doubts in the spiritual field.

157. Self defense is your birth right. Accept the outcome in that process whatever it may be.

158. You should know that self praise is the first step of your downfall.

159. Like the night follows the day, rebirth follows the death, so it advisable not to think too much on birth and death.

**To be continued.....**

## **2. SAI'S NEWS FROM THE TIME MACHINE:**

September 9, 1918: Dasa Ganu wrote "Sri Sai Sthvana Manjari" at Maheswaram on the banks of the river Narmada.

September 28, 1918: Nathpanth Saint Rama Maruthi of Kalyan passed away.

September 29, 1952: "Kalash" of gold was fixed on the spire of Samadhi Mandhir.

### **3. QUINTESSENCE OF SRI SAIBABA'S PHILOSOPHY:**

(By Late Sri Bharam UmamaheswaraRao)

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#### **34. Self Knowledge can overcome Karma**

Karma are actions that are laid down in the scriptures with various ends in view and for various types of persons in different stages of life and spiritual evolution. These can be arranged into three groups. In the first group there is 1. Karma as laid down in the scriptures 2. Akarma is inaction or withdrawal from action not due to indolence but due to intelligent understanding of the futility of action 3. Vikarma are actions that are prohibited expressly.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> group we have 1. Nitya Karma – actions that have to be performed every day.

2. Naimithyaka Karma – that are to be performed on special occasions such as birth etc.

Nishkamya Karmas are those actions that are performed without any thought of personal benefit or authorship, as a sacrifice for the general good of others.

This is conducive to the purification of the mind and places one on the road to self-realization, thru the archway of knowledge and the reform, is of the highest type for people of active temperament. By Akarma or total withdrawal from work is possible only by those who are already on the threshold of knowledge and hence it is the best.

**To be continued...**

### **4. IN THE DAYS OF SHRI SHIRDI SAIBABA**

#### **BABA Given Eye Sight to Shri Laxman Avare Thajanpur Chehedi near Sinner of Nasik**

Shri Laxman Abaji Avare, Thajanpur Chehedi near Sinner, Nasik District was suffering from eye pain and water began to ooze from the eyes for about six months. His eye sight has gone even though medicines were tried. Someone had advised him to go to Shirdi for permanent cure.

He came to Shirdi with his mother for Baba's Darshan on a Thursday. At that time slabs have been fixed in the "Sabha Mantap" of Dwarakamayi. Son and mother took Baba's darshan. Baba gave them udi and blessed them by saying "Allah Acha Karega". They have gone to their home. Afterwards, the pain and water in the eyes have been ceased. From that time onwards they used to come to Shirdi for six months.

The villagers have insisted his mother and sent him to J.J Hospital, Bombay for treatment. At the time when they prepared to go to Bombay, his body became more or like with burning sensation, without minding that they have gone to Bombay. There an English expert doctor examined his eyes and told that they eyes have been spoiled and that the eye sight was however not possible.

They returned to the village and determined whether eye sight comes or not, they have to stay with Baba. Thus they stayed at Shirdi for some time. His mother after some days left him alone in Shirdi and gone to the village. He stayed in Shirdi with firm belief in Baba. He used to wash his eyes with the face washing water of Baba in the morning.

After doing this for one month, all on a sudden, his eye sight came back. When he took Baba's darshn in Chawadi one evening, Baba gently clapped His hands on his chest. From that time his eye became very much clear. He was in Shirdi till Baba's Mahasamdhi. Then Radhakrishmai requested him to pump the well water. His firm faith and patience towards Baba gave him permanent relief from his blindness.

### **BABA Cured the Disease of Shri Govind Rao and His nephew after Trail**

Shri Govind Rao Gadre of Nagpur felt much when his nephew came to his house and suffered from disease. He prayed to Baba, that if his nephew got well, he would send him to Baba for His darshan. Accordingly, his nephew got well in two days by Baba's grace and went to his house. But he was not sent to Shirdi for Baba's darshan as per the vow of Shri Govind Rao.

Once again the nephew came to his uncle's house. At that time Govind Rao himself suffered from the disease. On one Thursday, all the family members prayed Baba with Bhajan. Govind Rao joined in the worship. Then he remembered that his vow has not yet been fulfilled by his nephew. Hence, he made another vow that if he would become alright, himself and his nephew would go to Shirdi for Baba's darshan. Then he was relieved off his sufferings. They both went to Shirdi and took Baba's darshan.

### **5. DEVOTEES EXPERIENCES:**

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**Fri, Aug 28, 2009 at 10:54 PM**

Om Sri Sai Ram

I completed the Shirdi Sai Vrat of 9 Thursdays and the miraculous benefits are just unimaginable. Please pray with faith and Sai Maa is always there to grant your humble wishes. Both my daughters were expecting results on the same day and we were tense and with SaiMaa's grace both were successful.

NPandya

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Om Sai Ram! Lord Sai ram has helped me and my husband in innumerable ways. It was some nine years back when I first experienced his miracle. I had lost my admission ticket of the common entrance exam. When I prayed to him he made me obtain that within minutes. Recent one is of my marriage. My uncle and aunt wanted me to get married to his relative who is a businessman. They made us talk to each other over the phone. When we started to like each other the shocking news came up that our horoscopes don't match. Everybody who supported us

in the beginning opposed us saying that this marriage would not work out since my qualification is higher than his. We both are the devotees of Baba. All our relatives including my parents were against the wedding, but Baba made my parents agree for the wedding and now we are married because of his blessings. I know he will never let us down. His miracles are beyond our understanding. He is great, very caring and loving. He makes us feel his presence always.  
Akshatha

## **6. SAI WITH CHILDREN:**

**Smt. Madhu Gopal Ravada, Saidarbar, Hyderabad.**

Hello Children! I am Madhu aunty. Do you know Baba use to play with children and used to tell stories to them? I felt children visiting Saidarbar should be entertained with good stories. Now I want to tell the stories what heard in my child hood.

### **THE CROOKED JUDGE:**

Once upon a time a partridge built its nest under a big peepal tree in a jungle. Many small and big creatures lived around that tree. The partridge was on good terms with all of them.

One day the partridge went out far in search of food. After covering a long distance, he reached a cornfield. The corn was ready for harvesting. Now, the corn is a favorite food of the partridges. So he stayed there and kept on feasting on the delicious corn. He made friends with many other birds, which also enjoyed the corn in the field. This went on for many days.

Here, under the peepal tree, a rabbit chanced to come. He saw the unoccupied nest of the partridge and decided to start living there. When the partridge finally returned to his nest, he found it occupied by the rabbit. So he asked the rabbit to leave it and to somewhere else, as the nest originally belonged to him.

The rabbit refused to leave. He insisted that now it belonged to him. It might have been the rabbit's once but he had found it empty and started living there. So he was the rightful owner. Their quarrel grew. The partridge sought the help of his other neighbors. They came for help but were not able to decide who the rightful owner should be. So they suggested to them both that they should go to a competent judge to decide their case. This appealed to both of them. They started out in search of a competent judge. After wandering for a long time they finally reached a Ganga - bank. Beside the river, some distance away, they saw a tom-cat sitting quietly. They both got frightened and decided to go somewhere else.

The tom-cat, however, was very cunning. He had seen the rabbit and the partridge in the distance. In order to all their fears he pretended to close his eyes and started chanting the 'Ram-nam' with the help of Rudrakshamala. The two seekers of justice were astonished. They had never seen a pious tom- cat who actually worshiped God. They were impressed. They talked between themselves and decided to approach him to solve their dispute. But both of them were still not fully assured of the goodness of the judge. So they kept standing some distance away.

The tom-cat finally finished his act of 'puja' opened his eyes and turned towards them enquiringly.

The partridge said, "Sir, the rabbit and I have a dispute. But it involves legality. We want you to kindly settle our dispute and award punishment to the one who is guilty."

The tom-cat assumed a pained expression and said, "Who am I to give punishment to another? I am an ordinary servant of God and pass my days in worshipping him. However, you may tell me both your sides. I shall try to point out who is in the wrong."

So the partridge narrated his side of the case and the rabbit put forth his arguments. The tom-cat listened to them and then sat silently for sometime as if reflecting. Then he said, "My friends, I am now old. I can neither see properly nor hear clearly. I could not hear your arguments properly. Why don't you two come nearer and explain the whole thing in a better way." By now, both the rabbit and the partridge had completely forgotten the fear of tom-cat. They now had full confidence in his good intentions. They both drew closer to him.

Suddenly, the tom-cat pounced on them and killed both of them with one blow. Then he did full justice to them eating them up. Thus the foolish rabbit and the partridge paid the price of building faith in their natural enemy.

Bye children meet you in the next issue

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## **NEWS FROM SAIDARBAR – HYDERABAD**

**Dear Esteemed Readers,**

**Sairam.**

**I am extremely grateful for the moral support you have been extending to our beloved e-magazine –“The Glory of Shirdi Sai”, for the past seven years. Your suggestions were well taken and implemented to our best abilities, adopting the changing technologies from time to time. It gives our team members a sense of great satisfaction to note that it has become an eagerly awaited home magazine for most of you. All that could be made possible only due to blessings of Shirdi Sai.**

**I take this opportunity to inform all our Readers that beginning with the issue-20/2009 onwards; “The Glory of Shirdi Sai” will be published under the Stewardship of Sriman Badrinarasimhan and his ably assisted team.**

**As per the decision taken by Saidarbar, Hyderabad team, I shall be handing over the mantle of Editorship of the titled e-magazine – “The Glory of Shirdi Sai”, to Sriman Badrinarasimhan, beginning with our next issue-20/2009.**

**Hoping for continued support in the coming future also.**

**Jai Sairam.**

**Editor - Raghu Raman Satulury.**

**For Saidarbar, Hyderabad, India.**

## **7. SPIRITUAL GEMS FROM SAI SATCHARITRA**

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Shri Sai Satcharitra

### **Chapter XXXIII**

Scorpion Sting and Plague Cases Cured - Jamner Miracle - Narayanarao's Sickness - Balabuva sutar - Appasaheb Kulkarni - Haribhau Karnik.

In the last Chapter we described the greatness of the Guru; now in this we will describe the greatness of Udi.

## Greatness of Udi

### Haribhau Karnik

In 1917 Haribhau Karnik of Dahanu (Thana District) came to Shirdi on the Guru-pournima day (in the month of Ashadha) and worshipped Baba with all formality. He offered clothes and Dakshina, and after taking Baba's leave through Shama, got down the steps of the Dwarakamayi. Then he thought that he should offer one more rupee to Baba and was just turning to get up when Shama informed him by signs that as he had got Baba's leave, he should go and not return. So he started home. On his way, when he went into the temple of Kala Ram at Nasik for darshan, the Saint Narsing Maharaj who used to sit just inside the big door of the temple, left his Bhaktas there came to Haribhau, caught his wrist and said, " Give me my one rupee". Karnik was surprised. He paid the rupee most willingly and thought that Sai Baba recovered the rupee, which he intended in his mind to give, through Saint Narsing Maharaj. This shows how the saints work in unison.

This story illustrates the fact that all saints are one and shows how they work in unison. Sai Ram. That Haribhau wanted to offer one more rupee and was informed by Shama that once he got Sai's blessings, he should not turn back and his wish being fulfilled at Nasik is all Sai Samkalpa (the will of Sai) just as the following story. A devotee was asked by Sri Vasudevananda Saraswati Swami (Tembe Maharaj) to offer a coconut to His elder brother Sai and agreed. Later, the coconut was broken and eaten before he could reach Shirdi. When he wanted to offer another coconut, Sai refused saying that the whole thing was done as per His will and gave good Upadesh to that devotee. In all such cases (and a few more stories that we came across in the earlier chapters, the Saints had their own way of communicating with each other. If we think of the black letters as our egoistic thoughts and the white spaces as spiritual connection with the Higher Self, the Saints work with the white spaces and not the black letters! Since they are one with the One, they have no problem in communicating non-verbally (it is written in many spiritual books that the higher communication takes place more through imagery and musical sounds than the excessively logical, grammar / rule bound language. It may be worth noting that the language is only a few thousand years old but non-verbal communication is as old as the universe! Sai Ram.

Bow to Shri Sai - Peace be to all

## **8. ARTICLES FROM SAI DEVOTEES**

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### **The Devotees who earn the blessings of Sri Sai Baba**

Without any hatred towards all beings, friendly, compassionate, without any sense of possessiveness, without any egoism, equal in pleasure and pain and forgiving. The Yogi who is always contended, self controlled, strongly determined, his mind and intelligence offered to Me, that devotee is dear to Me.

He who nether disturbs the world nor is disturbed by it, who is free from joy, envy, fear and excitement - he is dear to Me. He who is without expectations, pure, dexterous, impartial, undisturbed, renouncing all effort in undertakings - that devotee is dear to Me.

He who neither likes nor dislikes, neither bemoans nor desires, who has renounced both the auspicious and inauspicious and who is full of devotion to me- he is dear to Me. Equal to friend and foe, in honor and dishonor, heat and cold, pleasure and pain and equally free from all attachment.

Equal to being criticized or praised, silent, contended with whatever he has, without a fixed abode, stable minded, engaged in devotion that devotee is dear to Me. But who follows completely the immortal righteousness as ordained, with faith, holding Me as the Supreme such devotees are exceedingly dearer to Me.

Sai Ka Laadla

## **9. LETTERS FROM SAI DEVOTEES**

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Thursday, 27 August, 2009, 10:22 AM

Aum Saim Ram

Thank you so much for sending these issues of E-magazine "The Glory of Shirdi Sai". I am very

Glad to receive all issues of E- Magazines of Sai Baba and it's very interesting.

May Baba bless all the Sai members in this universe.

Jai Sai Ram

Prakash

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SaiRam!

The e-magazine "The Glory of Shirdi Sai" is an excellent use of the internet for fostering bhakti among the users. It would be more useful if more experiences of the devotees are included.

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Om Sai Sri Sai Jai Jai Sai,

Many Blessings and Thank you for your wonderful magazine of our Lord Shirdi Sai. Thank you for being able to read your magazine by clicking on "text". This is very helpful. You are a wonderful influence.

Lord Sainath is all and everything.

Koti Pranams at His Lotus Feet.

Best wishes,

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SaiRam!

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