

## ABOUT THE VEDANTA SOCIETY:

The Vedanta Society of New York was founded in 1894 by Swami Vivekananda, the first teacher of Vedanta to come to the West. He drew wide acclaim by his historic addresses at the World Parliament of Religions held in Chicago in 1893. After that a group of students gathered about the swami, and the first Vedanta Society in the United States was started in New York City. At present there are fifteen such centers in the U.S. Each center is an official branch of the Ramakrishna Order, the monastic organization established by Swami Vivekananda in India.



## MEMBERSHIP:

Those in regular attendance with sympathy for the principles of Vedanta living in the Tri-State area of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut are welcome to become members of the Society, subject to the approval of the Swami.

## BOOKS:

The bookstall at the rear of the chapel is open to the public before and after services and classes. Books may also be purchased by mail.

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## MARCH 2024

**SUNDAY 11.00AM**

***In-person attendance by prior registration.***

Please see website for registration details

- Mar 03 Ask Swami  
Swami Sarvapriyananda
- Mar 10 Sri Ramakrishna – Immersed in God  
Swami Sarvapriyananda
- Mar 17 Tattva Jnana – The Knowledge of Ultimate Reality  
Swami Sarvapriyananda
- Mar 24 Sri Chaitanya: In Love with God  
Swami Sarvapriyananda
- Mar 31 Easter Readings: The Imitation of Christ  
Swami Sarvapriyananda

**NOTE ON WEEKDAY CLASSES**

Weekday classes restarting on March 5<sup>th</sup>.  
***NO registration for Weekday Classes / Prayer.***

**TUESDAYS 7.30PM**

Meditation and Study of  
**THE GOSPEL OF SRI RAMAKRISHNA**  
Swami Sarvapriyananda

**FRIDAYS 7.30PM**

Meditation and Study of  
**BHAGAVAD GITA**  
Swami Sarvapriyananda

**DAILY MEDITATION 6.30 PM**

Vesper service (prayer)  
followed by meditation

### SPECIAL NOTES

*In-person attendance for the Sunday lectures and **all pujas** by prior registration only.  
Please see website for registration details.*

*Sunday lectures will also be live streamed at: [www.youtube.com/vedantany](http://www.youtube.com/vedantany).*

*Weekday classes (Tuesdays and Fridays) will be in-person only.*

*Masks are strongly recommended.*

### SPECIAL SERVICES

**March 12, Tuesday  
~ at 9AM ~**

Sri Ramakrishna Puja  
Reading, songs and flower offering  
Conducted by Swami Sarvapriyananda  
**Please see website for registration details.**



*After a while, he (SRK) started to give me some spiritual advice. I (Girish) stopped him, saying: I won't listen to any advice. I have written cartloads of it myself. It doesn't help. Do something that will transform my life. Hearing these words, Sri Ramakrishna was highly pleased. ...Sri Ramakrishna asked him to recite a particular hymn, which ran thus: "Go into solitude and shut yourself in a cave. Peace is not there. Peace is where faith is, for faith is the root of all." I saw a smile playing on the lips of Sri Ramakrishna, and I felt at that moment that I was freed from all impurities. And at that moment, my arrogant head bowed low at his feet. In him I found my sanctuary and all my fear was gone. I prostrated myself before him and was about to return home. He followed me as far as the northern porch. There I asked him, "now that I received your grace, am I to continue the same kind of work that I have been doing?" "Yes, why not?" From his words I understood that my connection with the theatre would not hurt my spiritual life.*

*They Lived with God by Swami Chetanananda Page 293*

★ ALL ARE WELCOME ★