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Aadi Krittika

Thursday, Aug 6, 2026

Temple Timings : 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM and 04:30 PM - 8:30 PM

All pujas can be sponsored in-person or online

Krittika Nakshatram occurring in Aadi Masam, which is the first month in the Dakshinayana Punyakalam is Aadi Krittika. Krittikas are the guardian mothers of Kartikeya Swamy.

Kartikeya Swamy is also known as -

- Shanmukha (one with six faces)
- Kumara Swamy (prince or child)
- Skanda (seed)
- Murugan (beauty, smart and clever)
- Swamy Mahasena (Commander in-chief of Devatas army)
- Vaisakhudu (born in Vaisakha Nakshatram)
- Subrahmanya Swamy



By worshipping Lord Kartikeya on this auspicious Aadi Krittika day, devotees prosper in six specific areas of their lives – Wisdom, Power, Health, Victory, Relationships and Prosperity. Those who have Kuja dosham or Kuja dosha should worship Subrahmanya Swamy to overcome hurdles.

Kavadi Pooja - offering Kavadi to Lord Muruga is believed to bring forth peace and good luck. It is believed that burdens in the life of a devotee who carries Kavadi are lessened by Murugan. Many devotees carrying Kavadi will go around the temple and participate in the Kavadi puja and the special Kavadi Abhishekam. Lord Subrahmanya Swamy along with His consorts Valli and Devasena will be taken in a beautiful procession with live Nadaswaram on this occasion.

10:00 AM Sri Subrahmanya Swamy Abhishekam, Harati (live)

06:30 PM Sri Shanmukha Subrahmanya Swamy Sahasra Nama Puja by Six Priests Simultaneously, Harati (live)

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Aadi Krittika Celebrations

Sunday, Aug 9, 2026

Temple Timings : 8:30 AM - 8:30 PM

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**02:00 PM Sri Subrahmanya Swamy Kavadi Puja,
Kavadi Abhishekam,
Harati,
Thiruveedhi Utsavam**

Kavadi Puja Registration Details -

- Registrations will be accepted from now till Saturday, Aug 8th until 8:30 PM
- Only those registered during this time will be accepted for Kavadi Puja sponsorship
- Others will be allowed to sponsor based on the availability of Kavadies
- All registrations should be done via Online Sponsorship link below or at the Temple Office only

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