

All glories to Śrī Guru and Śrī Gaurāṅga

Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math

# Invitation

16 to 26 March 2008

The 523rd Auspicious  
Advent Celebration of  
Lord Śrī Gaurāṅga Sundar

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## **INVITATION**

**Nadiyā-Udayagiri, Pūrṇachandra Gaurahari,  
krpā kari' ha-ila udaya  
pāpa-tamaḥ haila nāśa, tri-jagatera ullāsa,  
jagabhari' Hari-dhvani haya**

*(Śrī Chaitanya-charitāmṛta Ādi-līlā 13.98)*

Honourable Vaiṣṇavas, Godbrothers, Godsisters & Friends,

**You are cordially invited** with your family and friends for our mutual benefit and spiritual fulfilment to participate with your various services on the 523rd Anniversary of the Auspicious Advent of the most magnanimous **Lord Śrī Gaurāṅga Sundar** which will be observed this year, as inaugurated in **Śrī Chaitanya Sāraswat Maṭh** by our beloved Śrīla Guru Mahārāj, **His Divine Grace Ananta-śrī Vibūṣita Paramahaṁsa-chūrāmaṇi Om Viṣṇupād Śrī Śrīla Bhakti Rakṣak Śrīdhar Dev-Goswāmī**, from **Sunday 16th to 26th March 2008**, by the sincere efforts and enthusiasm of the devotees of the Maṭh.

Distinguished Vaiṣṇavas and many other honourable guests will be present especially for this grand occasion.

The functions of worship, readings, discourses, Kīrttan, Śrī Nabadwīp Dhām Parikramā, distribution of Mahāprasād and other devotional activities pertaining to the great Saṅkīrttan Mahāyajña will be held as an offering to the very embodiment of Saṅkīrttan: Their Lordships Śrī Śrī Guru-Gaurāṅga-Gāndharvā-Govindasundar, Giridhari, Gopāldev, and Śrī Śrī Lakṣmī-Varāhadevī with Their Divine Paraphernalia.

We shall be pleased to have your company and participation in this grand ceremony.

Yours in the service of the Supreme Lord Gaurāṅga,  
Tridaṇḍi-bhikṣu Śrī Bhakti Sundar Govinda  
Sevāite-President-Āchāryya of Śrī Chaitanya Sāraswat Maṭh  
22nd February, 2008

# PROGRAMME 2008

**Sunday 16th March, 2008:** Sri Nabadwip Dham Parikrama Adhivasa. The auspicious inauguration of the grand holy celebration of Mahaprabhu; and inauguration of the world-wide conference of the distinguished Vaisnavas, Sri Visva-Vaisnava-Raja-Sabha. Congregational chanting, and lectures by the stalwart devotees attending from various parts of the world.

**Monday 17th March: Ekadasi. Fast. Sri Nabadwip Dham Parikrama begins.** Parikrama of Sri Ishodyan, Sri Yogapitha (Sriman Mahaprabhu's birth place), Srivas Angan, Sri Nrsimha Mandir, Sri Adwaita Bhavan, Murari Gupta Bhavan, Sri Chaitanya Math, Acharyya Chatustya Samanita, Sri Sri Gandharvika Giridhari and Sri Mahaprabhu Mandir, Srila Bhakti Siddhanta Saraswati Thakur Prabhupad's Samadhi Mandir, Srila Gaurakishor Das Babaji Maharaj's Samadhi Prabriti, Sri Kazi Samadhi, Sharadanga Sri Jagannath Mandir, Sridhar Angan and Sri Simantadwip, Sri Rudradwip, Sri Antardwip.

**Tuesday 18th March:** Gaura-dvadasi. Paran between 6:34 and 9:45 a.m. Disappearance of Sripad Madhavendra Puri. Parikrama of Prodamaya Briddha Shiv, Sri Vishnupriya's own Deity of Sri Gauranga, Sri Jagannath Das Babaji Maharaj's Samadhi Mandir, Koladwip, etc.

**Wed. 19th March:** Parikrama of Sri Godruma and Madhyadwip, Sri Surabhikunj, Suvarna Bihar Math, Sri Nrsimha Palli, Sri Harihara Ksetra and other places.

**Thursday 20th March:** Adhivas observance ceremony of the Appearance of Sri Gauranga. Parikrama of Sri Koladwip, Sri Ritudwip, Sri Jahnudwip, Sri Modadrumadwip, etc., Old Sri Gaura-Gadadhar Mandir, Vidyanagar Sarvabhauma Gaudiya Math, Sri Vrindavan Das Thakur's Appearance Place, and the Deity served by Sri Saranga Murari and Vasudeva Datta Thakur.

**Friday 21st March: Sri Gauravirbhava Purnamasi. Gaura-Purnima. 523rd Divine Appearance of Sri Gauranga. Total fast until moonrise;** then no grains. **Grand Festival at Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math.** Vasantotsav and Dolyatra of Sri Sri Radha-Govinda. Special offering of worship and arati. *Sri Chaitanya-charitamrita* reading and Maha-Sankirttan.

**Saturday 22nd March:** Paran by 9:43 a.m. Anandotsav of Sri Jagannath Misra. Last gathering of the week-long yearly meeting, Sri Visva-Vaisnava-Raja-Sabha, at Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Math and yearly festival.

**Wednesday 26th March:** 'Pancham Dol.' The annual festival of Sri Sri Guru-Gauranga-Radha-Gopinathjiu with Sankirttan and Mahamahotsav at the Holy Appearance Place of Srila Bhakti Raksak Sridhar Dev-Goswami Maharaj: Sri Chaitanya Saraswat Ashram, **Sripat Hapaniya.**

# Other major festivals

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## FEBRUARY 2008:

- 26 Tue: The festival of the Divine Appearance of the founder of the worldwide Sri Chaitanya Math and Gaudiya Maths, Bhagavan Sri Srila Bhaktisiddhanta Saraswati Goswami Thakur.**  
Anniversary Festival of the installation of Sri Gupta-Govardhan Sri Mandir, Sri Govinda Kunda, Nabadwip.  
Disappearance of Srila Purushottam Thakur.

## MARCH 2008:

- 3 Mon: Krishna-ekadasi. Fast.** Paran next day by 9:52 a.m.  
**6 Thu:** Sri Sri Shivaratri.  
**7 Fri:** Anniversary Festival of the installation of Sri Sadasiva Gangadhara, Sri Govinda Kunda, Nabadwip.  
**10 Mon:** Sri Sri Guru-Gauranga-Radha-Ramanasundarjiu installation anniversary festival, at Sree Chaitanya Saraswata Krishnanushilana Sangha, Kaikhali, Kolkata.  
**11 Tue:** Appearance of Srila Purusottama Thakur.  
**16 Sun: Adhivas Festival of Sri Nabadwip Dham Parikrama.** Beginning of annual seven day festival.

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N.B. Service-donation-cheques in the name of “**Sree Chaitanya Saraswata Krishnanushilana Sangha**” will be accepted for this glorious occasion.  
Service donations may also be made online at  
<http://scsmath.com/events/service.html>

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## **IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PILGRIMS:**

**Please be sure** to notify the Math Secretary if you are coming so that we can better serve you. Please, especially at this busy time, arrive **at Sri Math with basic necessities, including proper bedding for the season** (bedsheet and blanket), **torchlight, and your own lock.**

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The normal programme and arrangements are subject to change by the will of providence...

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