

# VEDANTA NEWSLETTER

The Quarterly Newsletter of  
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*God is one. Different sages call Him by different names – Rig Veda*

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## Membership in the Vivekananda Vedanta Society of BC

Membership of the Society runs on a calendar year basis. Members, please renew your membership in time. The Annual Membership fee for a couple is \$60.00, and for a single person \$40. We also have a Life Membership, which is \$500.00 for a couple, and \$300.00 for a single person. Please contact our Treasurer Mrs. Purabi Das at (604) 942-9377 or during the Society's functions.

## Sunday Service

The Society holds a Sunday Service on the first Sunday of every month at the Vivekananda House. One of the Swamis from the Vedanta Society of Western Washington in Seattle would arrive for the day and conduct the Service at 11:00 am. The program consists of arati, singing of devotional songs, and a talk by the Swami on a title of his choice. A potluck lunch would follow. Please phone (604) 228-9987 OR (604) 942-9377 first to confirm.

## Meditation Meetings

The members of the Vivekananda Vedanta Society meet for Meditation and Scripture reading at the Vivekananda House on the second Saturday of every month at 3:00 p.m. Please phone (604) 942-9377 first to confirm.

## Monthly Ramnam

Monthly Ramnam sessions are held by the Society at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm on the last Sunday every month. There will be arati and singing of devotional songs on Lord Rama and other Divine incarnations. Please phone (604) 228-9987 first to confirm.

## Book Sale

Audiotapes and CDs of lectures by Swamis, tapes of bhajans and other devotional music are also available. For all your needs on books about Vedanta and other spiritual subjects, please contact our secretary, Mrs. Radha Chaklader. Phone: (604) 228-9987. All the popular titles are available. Any book that is not in stock will be made available at very short notice.

*“The poor, the illiterate, the ignorant and the afflicted – Let these be your God. Know that service to these alone is the Highest Religion” – Swami Vivekananda (1863 – 1902*

# Coming Events

## October 2018

- Sun, Oct 7, 2018: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Manishananda  
Title of Swami's talk: **"Saints, Their Common Denominators"**  
Time: 11:00 am. A potluck lunch would follow.
- Sat, Oct 13, 2018: Meditation Meeting at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Fri, Oct 19, 2018: A free public talk by Sw. Atmajayananda. Title: **"Mandukya Upanishad — Part 2"**  
Venue: Vivekananda House. Time: 7:00 pm. Tea and snacks will follow.
- Sun, Oct 28, 2018: Ram Nam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
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## November 2018

- Sun, Nov 4, 2018: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Atmajayananda at 11:00 am.  
Title of Swami's talk: **"Two Kinds of Knowing"**. A potluck lunch will follow.
- Sat, Nov 10, 2018: Meditation meeting at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Sun, Nov 18, 2018: Ram Nam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.
- Sun, Nov 25, 2018: Three revered swamis will arrive in Vancouver in the morning:  
**Sw. Girishananda**, a manager and trustee of the Belur Math  
**Sw. Amarananda**, Head of the Vedanta Society in Geneva, Switzerland  
**Sw. Kripamayananda**, Head of the Vedanta Society, Toronto.
- Sw. Kripamayanandaji will perform a pooja in honor of the Holy Mother at 10:30 am.  
Concurrently, Sw. Amaranandaji will give a talk on the Holy Mother.  
Sw. Girishanandaji will give a talk on Sri Ramakrishna.  
There will be "Pushpanjali" (flower offering) followed by "prasad" (lunch).  
Venue: The Confederation Community Centre, 4585 Albert Street, Burnaby, BC
- Mon, Nov 26, 2018: A sightseeing tour of Vancouver and vicinity.
- Tue, Nov 27, 2018: The swamis will depart to Toronto.
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## December 2018

- Sun, Dec 2, 2018: Sunday Service at the Vivekananda House by Sw. Brahmatmananda at 11:00 am.  
Title of Swami's talk: **"Teachings of Holy Mother"**  
A potluck lunch will follow.
- Sat, Dec 8, 2018: Meditation meeting at the Vivekananda House at 3:00 pm.
- Fri, Dec 14, 2018: A free public talk by Sw. Manishananda  
Title: **"A Vedantic View of Christ"**  
Christmas function and Carol singing led by Sw. Manishananda.  
Venue: Vivekananda House. Time: 7:00 pm. Tea and snacks will follow.
- Sun, Dec 30, 2018: Ram Nam at the Vivekananda House at 4:00 pm.