



# Newsletter

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## Council's Corner

In preparation for the March monastic visit, devotees and friends are encouraged to take a sleeve of information posters from the temple for distribution at relevant venues (listed in the sleeve). You might even like to post some of the posters to friends and family who may be interested in meeting the monks on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> of March. Be sure to mark those dates in your diary. The program will be emailed to everyone on our distribution list as soon as it becomes available.



### God's Boatman

Painted and donated by Alysea McArtney.

This beautiful painting is now available for silent auction in the back room at the temple to raise funds for the monastic visit.

Please place your bid on the bidding sheet next to the painting. Anyone who doesn't attend the temple may bid by phoning or texting your name and bid amount to 0405 182 741. The highest bid at 6.45pm on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March will win the painting.

*Oh, I will come again and again!  
Crossing a million crags of suffering,  
With bleeding feet, I will come-  
If need be, a trillion times-  
So long as I know  
One stray brother is left behind.*

God's Boatman by Paramahansa Yogananda

## Special Events

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| Tuesday 14  | Chapel Cleaning before Service 5.45pm<br>Social after the Service |
| Sunday 19   | Social after the Service  |
| Saturday 25 | Monastic Visit fundraising dinner at<br>Annalakshmi from 6.30pm   |
| Sunday 26   | Busy Bee after Service  |

## Monastic Visit Information

**Bazaar** - Please visit our "back room bazaar" after each of the services at the temple. You may just find that treasure you have always been looking for! Unpriced items are by donation. Feel free to bring anything you would like to donate to the bazaar at any time. The bazaar will continue to run until Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> March.

**Dinner at Annalakshmi** - Devotees and friends are invited to join us for a shared meal at Annalakshmi Restaurant at the Barrack Street Jetty on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February from 6.30pm. The cost is \$25 which includes a smorgasbord, drinks and wonderful company. Please bring your family and friends - all are welcome.

**Donation basket** - Please note that there is a donation basket at the back of the temple for devotees wishing to financially support the monastic visit. Let's strive together to make this a memorable and inspiring occasion.

**Questions for the temple satsanga** - We are hoping to hold a satsanga with the monks on either Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March. A box will be placed at the back of the temple for all devotees, visitors and friends to write any question you would like to be considered and discussed by the monks.

**Service during the visit** - There will be lots of opportunities to serve the monks and at the temple during the visit. Watch this space for more information or please feel free to speak with a Council member.

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