

Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva Dharma Service

PURPOSE:

To celebrate the birthday of Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva, our temple will hold a “ Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva Dharma Service”. The Great Vow Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva is one of the four major Bodhisattvas. His compassionate vow profoundly affects not only the living, but also the departed. All merits accrued from reciting the sutras, chanting the Buddha's name, and bestowing food will be transferred to our living relatives, to eradicate their karmic obstructions and increase their virtuous roots, and to our deceased relatives, to free them from suffering and to help them attain bliss, and to promote their rebirth in the Western Pure Land.

DATE: August 23 to August 29, 2019

TIME: 8:00 am to 9:30 pm daily

ACTIVITIES:

- (1) A Ground Purification Ceremony will be held on August 22 (Thursday) at 7:30 pm. Anybody who wishes to stay over at the temple must register in advance.
 - (2) Each day, we recite the entire “Sutra of Ksitigarbha Bodhisattva's Fundamental Vows”; each evening we recite one-third of the sutra, completing it every 4 nights. Hence, we will recite the complete Sutra a total of 9 times during the 7 days.
- ❖ Please register early if you wish to participate in the Refuge Taking Ceremony which will be held on August 25 at 1:30 pm (in Recitation Hall)
 - ❖ During this event people can set up plaques to pray for blessings and longevity for their relatives, or to liberate the departed from suffering. For more information please visit the Information center.



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