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Panguni Uthiram









Panguni Uttiram (Meena Uttaraphalguni in Sanskrit) is one of the few festivals that is significant and important for several Deities in our temple. It is the Jayanti (Day of Incarnation) of Lord Ayyappa. It is also an important festival day for Lord Subramanya (Muruga), as it is on this day that Sri Valli married Lord Subramanya. On this day Goddess Mahalakshmi incarnated on earth from the ocean of milk (after the ocean was churned by the Gods and the demons) and hence it is celebrated as Mahalakshmi Jayanti. In Sri Rangam and other Sri Vaishnava temples in India, the devotional prosaic compositions of Sri Ramanuja Acharya "Gadya Trayam" are recited this day. On this day Goddess Parvati in the form of Gowri married Lord Siva in Kanchipuram and hence this day is also celebrated as the Gowri Kalyanam day. It is only fitting that we celebrate this festival in our temple with all the religious grandeur and partake in the Blessings of all the Gods and Goddesses.