



## **Sri Visalakshi Samoohika Kumkuma Pooja** **Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 (Thai-Friday)**



**Program: 7:00 PM Sankalpam, 7:30 PM Pooja Starts**

Goddess Visalakshi, an incarnation of Goddess Parvathi, is the consort of Swami Viswanatha in Varanasi/Kasi. Visalakshi means "vast-eyed" implying She has the vision to see the entire universe. The Varanasi temple is one of the 52 Shakthi peedams in India. Sri Adhi Shankaracharya helped renovate the Varanasi temple, installed a Yantra and performed kumkuma pooja to reinstate the powers of the temple after several invasions.

Doing kumkuma pooja brings the blessings of Goddess Visalakshi and bestows health and prosperity for the devotees and their family. This is being celebrated at Austin Hindu Temple & Community Center on the last Friday of the Thai month. All Fridays are auspicious for the Goddess, especially in the month of Thai. These four Fridays are called Thai Vellies. Goddess brings life to anyone and everything she touches. This irresistible energy is something we can all nurture in ourselves. When she comes to us there is no poverty or sadness. Kumkuma poojas provide opportunities to establish our link to the divine energy during the Thai Vellies by worshipping Her.

**Please bring a small oil lamp, fruits, flowers and any prasadam**

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