

BUDDHA'S BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL

*Buddhist Calendar 2565-(2021-Western calendar)
At Vien Giac Temple at 10:00 AM Sunday 30
May 2021 (corresponding to 19/04 -Lunar
calendar-Year of Metal Ox)*

*“Thiên Thượng Thiên Hạ, Duy Ngã Độc Tôn”
(In all of Heaven and Earth
I am the only one worthy of honor)*



*“Seven lotus flowers opened up under his steps,
three thousand worlds welcoming Sakyamuni”*

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INVITATION

*Buddha's Birthday Festival
Namo Sakyamuni Buddha.*

Dear Buddhist Followers.

During the 49 years of Buddha's life, he travelled here and there to save sentient beings. During his whole life and Dharma teaching path, from his birth till entering Nirvana, our Buddha devoted all his love to all species. His Dharma teachings were like a boat sent to rescue all sentient beings.

Buddha's noble teachings have reminded us as his disciples to cultivate our joy, equanimity, loving kindness and compassion, all of which enhance our mindfulness to lead our lives with sufficient knowledge to deal with changes in life.

The Covid- 19 pandemic has changed our lives globally, leading to much more concern about health and sadness for families that have lost beloved members due to the pandemic.

As Buddhists we should take refuge in Three Jewels to bless all who are suffering from the Covid -19 pandemic. On the occasion of this Buddha's birthday commemoration, Vien Giac Temple is organizing this significant festival.

We respectfully invite all Buddhist followers to come to our Temple and comply with Covid- 19 safety procedures and keep social distancing during this festival. May Ten Directions bless you and your families with happiness and good health. Best wishes and our hope that the world will soon escape from this pandemic.

Namo Sakyamuni Buddha.



*Best Regards
Abbot: Thich nữ An Thiện*

GENERAL PROGRAM



Sunday 30 May 2021

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19/04 - Lunar calendar- Year of Metal Ox*

*(This program might be subject to change if there is
any change of Covid -19 stipulations by NSW
authorities on the above date)*

10:00 AM “ BUDDHA’S BIRTHDAY” ritual
starts

- ❖ Vesak Prayer
- ❖ Buddha bathing ritual (bathing new birth Buddha statue)
- ❖ Offering for spirits worshipped to ancestors at the Temple
- ❖ Buddhists receiving some light food
- ❖ Real almsgiving
- ❖ Three Refuges and Five Precepts taking ceremony

2:00 PM Closing ceremony

Note: Write down namelists for peace ceremony and requiem prayer on next page.