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The Vedanta Society of New York was founded in 1894 by Swami Vivekananda, the first teacher of Vedanta to come to the West. He drew wide acclaim by his historic addresses at the World Parliament of Religions held in Chicago in 1893. After that a group of students gathered about the swami, and the first Vedanta Society in the United States was started in New York City. At present there are fifteen such centers in the U.S. Each center is an official branch of the Ramakrishna Order, the monastic organization established by Swami Vivekananda in India.



**MEMBERSHIP:**

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## OCTOBER 2018

### SUNDAY 11AM

- Oct 7 Swami Akhandananda  
Life and Teachings  
Oct 14 Tibetan Buddhism:  
Philosophy and Practice  
by Scott Tusa, Buddhist Teacher  
Oct 21 Shakti - The Divine Mother  
Oct 28 Everyday Worship of the  
Divine Mother  
by Pravrajika Gitaprana

### TUESDAY 7.30PM

Meditation and Study of  
**THE GOSPEL OF SRI RAMAKRISHNA**

### WEDNESDAY 4.00PM

Vedanta Study Group  
**MANDUKYA KARIKA**

### FRIDAY 7.30PM

Meditation and Study of  
**BHAGAVAD GITA**

### DAILY MEDITATION 6.30 PM

Vesper service (prayer)  
followed by meditation



### GUEST SPEAKERS

**Oct 14, Sunday at 11AM**

**Scott Tusa**

(Buddhist Teacher)

Will speak on

"Tibetan Buddhism:  
Philosophy and Practice"

**Oct 28, Sunday at 11AM**

**Pravrajika Gitaprana**

(Vivekananda Retreat Ridgley)

Will speak on

"Everyday Worship of the Divine Mother"

### SPECIAL SERVICES

**Oct 17, Wednesday at 8AM**

Special Worship of the Divine Mother Durga  
followed by flower offerings and prasad

**Evening 6:30 PM**

Arati of Mother Durga  
followed by regular prayer

**Oct 21, Sunday at 11AM**

Durga Puja Special Service  
Swami Sarvapriyananda will speak on  
"Shakti - The Divine Mother"  
Special music by choir and congregation



*A person sees a thing one way through reasoning and in an altogether different way when God Himself shows it to him. . . . The Divine Mother revealed to me in the Kali temple that it was She who had become everything. She showed me that everything was full of Consciousness. The Image was Consciousness, the altar was Consciousness, the water vessels were Consciousness, the door-sill was Consciousness, the marble floor was Consciousness - all was Consciousness. . . After realizing God, one sees. . . that it is He who has become the universe, living beings, and the twenty-four cosmic principles.*

*- The Gospel of Sri Ramakrishna, pp. 345-346*