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**Date: 04-19-2026 Time: 7:00 AM - 12:30 PM**

**Palia:** Bhakti Maa, Sibani M. Maa, Tani Maa, Biswa Bhai, Gyan Bhai, Prabhakar Bhai, Bijoy Bhai, Biswajit B. Bhai, Subhashis Bhai

04-18-26 (ET)		Adhivaasa & NC Pathachakra Puja (06:15 PM – 09:00 PM)
18:15	Bhakti Maa Udita Maa	Prateekshaa 1 Prateekshaa 2
18:30		Stotra Bandanaa
18:45	Ashrita	Bandanaa
18:55	Y. A.	Sadguru Swami Nigamananda Upadeshmrita Chapter 1, Page 1
19:10	Smita Bai Maa	Prarthana
19:20	Braja Bhai	Shri Shri Nigamananda Kathamrita, Part 1, Page 24
20:00	Gyan Bhai	Prarthana
20:10	Prabhakar Bhai	Nllachale Thakur Nigamananda, Part 2, Page 129
		Bhaba Binimaya
20:44		Offering Akshaya Trutiya Program to Shri Shri Thakur
20:45	Subhashis Bhai Prabir bhai & Madhusmita maa	Invitation for the Next Session Invitation for the Next Pathachakra Puja
	Gyan Bhai & Sibani Maa	Praying for Forgiveness
20:48		Bidaya Prarthana
20:55		Jayaguru Naama Kirtana and Closing of Aasana
21:10		Offering of Bhoga and Prasaad Sebana
04-19-26 (ET)		First Session (07:00 AM – 08:40 AM)
07:00	Nihar Bhai Anjali Maa Smita Bai Maa Udita Maa	Prateekshaa (E Naba Prabhate Aaji) Prateekshaa (Janae Pade Jodi Kara He) Aabaahana (Aaji Marame Ka Madhusura) Aabaahana (Prabhati Aarati Kalani Prakruti)
07:30	Sanujit Bhai	Morning Aarati
07:50	Gyan Bhai	Bandanaa (Bande ShreeGuru)
08:00	Suprit Bhai	Stotra Bandanaa
08:15	Sarthak bhai	Shree Shree Gurugetaa (Verse #64 )
08:20	Braja Bhai	Parichaya Patra & Sammilani Praarthanaa
08:30	Prabhakar bhai	Nirajana #13
08:35	Biswa Bhai	Invitation for the Next Session
08:36		Jayaguru Naama Kirtana and Closing of Aasana
08:40		Offering of Balaya Bhoga and Prasad Sebana
01-04 -26 (ET)		Second Session (09:20 AM – 12:30 PM)
09:20	Bhakti Maa Sibani M Maa Nirlipta Maa	Prateekshaa (Natha Tumaku Dekhiba Pain) Aabaahana (Mana Mora Chahen Sebibaku Sada) Aabaahana (Aasa He Aasa Parana Isha)
09:45		PraNaama Gaana and Opening of the Curtain
09:47	Milu Maa	Bandanaa
09:55	Rama Bhai	Nigam Upadesha (Akshaya Trutiya Ashirbad)
10:05	Brundaban Bhai	Praarthana
10:15	Subrat bhai Braja Bhai	Saraswata Math & Swami Swarupananda Scripture Reading & Discussion

10:50	Shreyasee	Y. A. Praarthana
10:55	Bhakti Maa	YA Session
11:25		Bhaaba Binimaya
11:55	Sibani M. Maa	Invitation for Madhyaahna Bhoga offering, Prasad sevan and Evening Puja
	Braja Bhai	Invitation for the next Akshaya Trutiya (2027)
11:56	Suhani, Leena Maa, Deba Bhai	Invitation for Next Sangha Puja (04-26-2026)
11:57	Bijoy Bhai	Begging for forgiveness
11:58	Smita Ray Maa	Bidaaya Praarthanaa
12:03		Jayaguru Naama Keertana, PraNaama and Closing of Aasana
12:30		Offering of Madhyahna Bhoga and Prasad Sebana

# Akshaya Patra: An Inexhaustible Source of Food

The Mahabharata tells the story of Akshaya Patra, a divine copper pot that is an inexhaustible source of food. This magical object was gifted by Lord Surya to Yudhishtira, and it helped the Pandavas survive the harsh life during their exile.

When the Pandavas and their wife, Draupadi, started their twelve-year exile, they were worried about how they were going to provide food for the sages who accompanied them into the forest. Sage Dhaumya suggested that Yudhishtira pray to Lord Surya, the Sun God, as he was the provider of food for all creatures. Upon the sage's advice, Yudhishtira stood in the waters of the river Ganga, facing the sun, and prayed to Lord Surya. He prayed that Lord Surya would bestow food upon them all. Pleased by his sincere devotion, Lord Surya appeared before him. As a boon, he gave Yudhishtira the *Akshaya Patra* – a special copper pot that would remain full of food until Draupadi eats. Lord Surya also blessed Yudhishtira and declared that his kingdom would be restored to him.

On his return, Yudhishtira gave the copper pot to Draupadi. Even though the food she cooked was very little, it soon grew large enough to fill the pot. The Pandavas first served their guests, then had their meals and only when Draupadi finished her own meal, did the pot finally become empty. In the following years, the Pandavas and Draupadi performed many acts of charity and religious sacrifices. They welcomed many sages, who visited them in the forest. Draupadi used the *Akshaya Patra* to feed sages and guests. She also made sure she was the last one to eat the food.

Duryodhana was filled with envy when he heard about the peaceful life his cousins were leading in their exile. He devised a plan to get the Pandavas in trouble by turning Sage Durvasa against them. One day Sage Durvasa, along with his hundred disciples, visited Duryodhana in his palace at Hastinapur. When he arrived, Duryodhana provided lavish hospitality for Sage Durvasa and looked after his every need. Pleased with his service, Sage Durvasa decided to grant him a boon. Making use of this opportunity, Duryodhana asked the sage to visit the Pandavas in the forest, along with his disciples, and seek Yudhishtira's hospitality. However, he specified that Sage Durvasa should arrive at their home only after Draupadi had finished her meal. Duryodhana knew that the sage was famed for his temper and thus was convinced that Sage Durvasa would curse the Pandavas when they failed to feed him and his disciples.

Sage Durvasa arrived with thousands of his disciples at Yudhishtira's hermitage, after Draupadi had finished her meal. Yudhishtira welcomed the sage and his followers with due honor. Sage Durvasa left with his disciples to bathe in the nearby river before their meal. In the meantime, Draupadi began to get worried looking at the number of guests they had. She had already finished her meal and the *Akshaya Patra* was empty. She knew she was in no position to prepare a large meal for Sage Durvasa and thousands of his disciples. Draupadi, in her despair, prayed to her best friend Lord Krishna to save her from the sage's wrath.

Upon hearing Draupadi's plea, Lord Krishna immediately appeared in front of her. Draupadi explained the problem to Lord Krishna and after listening to the distressed Draupadi, Lord Krishna asked her to bring him the *Akshaya Patra*. He noticed that a small piece of food was still there in the divine pot.

He took the small morsel, and putting it in his mouth, proclaimed that all the souls of the universe would be satiated with it.

Then Lord Krishna called Sahadeva and asked him to go to the river to invite them for lunch. Meanwhile, Sage Durvasa and his disciples who were bathing in the river suddenly realized that they were not feeling hungry anymore. They felt as though they would not be able to eat even one morsel of food. Sage Durvasa and his disciples became worried, thinking that the Pandavas would be furious if they didn't arrive for their meal. They decided to depart quietly, without informing the Pandavas. Thus, Lord Krishna was able to avert a disaster with the divine *Akshaya Patra* and save the Pandavas and Draupadi once again.

Source: <https://www.amarchitrakatha.com/mythologies/akshaya-patra-the-inexhaustible-source-of-food/>