

Sri Sathya Sai Chalisa

śrīkaramagu puṭṭapartini velasina
The One who incarnated in the sacred Puttaparthi

śivasvarūpuni sāyisadguruni
Sai Sadguru, who is verily Lord Shiva

caraṇābdam'mula rajamunu bhaktitō
The dust sanctified by the touch of His Lotus Feet

śiramuna dālcucu sannuti sētunu
Placing that dust on my head with devotion I praise Thee

ajñānamucē kalige janmayani
Realizing that the birth is the result of ignorance

janma karmalanu tolagajēyumani
Praying to remove all our karmas earned through many lives

sarvadēvatātīta rūpiyagu
The Lord of Lords, the Supreme One

śrī satya sāyinē madilō golutunu
I worship Sri Sathya Sai in the heart of my hearts

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īśvarāmbasuta sṛṣṭi vidhātā
Son of Easwaramma, The Lord of Creation

īpsitārtha varadāyaka mahitā
One who grants boons to fulfil our desires

trimūrti rūpā dattātrēyā
Embodiment of The Holy Trinity - Lord Dattatreya!

triguṇātītā dīnarakṣakā
The One who is beyond the three attributes, the One who protects the destitute

sakalajīva hṛdayāntarvāsī
The One who dwells in the heart of every living being

sadguṇarāśī praśāntivāsī
The One who is personification of virtues, the One who resides in Prasanthi Nilayam

munnu ṣiṛḍilō nēḍu partilō
The One who resided in Shirdi then and in Parthi now

sāyināmamuna velasina īśā
The Supreme Lord has incarnated with the name 'Sai'

satyamu dharmamu nud'dharimpagā
To uplift Truth and Righteousness

śānti prēmalanudharanu nimpagā
To fill the Earth with Peace and love

āvatārammulu dālcina sāyī
You had incarnated oh Sai

anugrahamu kuripincaga dōyī
To shower Your grace.

Manas'su vākkuna katītamagu nī
Your glory that is beyond thoughts and words

mahimalu pogaḍaga manujulataramā
Can it be possible for humans to extol?

karuṇādr̥ṣṭiṇi bhaktula j̥utuvu
You see Your devotees through the eyes filled with compassion

ghana r̥ogamulanu hariñci br̥otuvu.
You protect by curing dreadful diseases

hasta cālanamu cēta s̥r̥jintuvu
By a mere wave of Your hand

āścaryamuḡā vastuvulennō
Astonishingly You create many things

bhaktulakennō bahumatulittuvu
You bless Your devotees with countless gifts

bhuktini śaktini mukti niccedavu
You grant them food, power and liberation.

okē samayamuna pekku dēśamula
In multiple places at the same time

darśana mosagucu mahima j̥ūpedavu
You reveal Your glory by granting Your Divine darshan

satyasanātana sārādhi n̥ivē
You are the Eternal Charioteer of Truth

sakala śaktulaku nilayamu nivē
You are the Source of all powers

l̥ēdulēdu n̥īkasādhyamēdī
What's impossible for You? Nothing

l̥īlānāṭaka kārya vinōdī
You are the One who enjoys this Divine play

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bhaktula veṅṭane jaṅṭane kaṅṭane
I am always with you, in you, around you

uṅṭānani sāyīśuḍu palukunu
Thus assures the Supreme Lord Sai

janulokkaḍugunu tanakai vēsina
If people take one step towards Him

sāyi padaḍugulu vēyucuvaccunu
Sai would take ten steps and come

sarva matam'mula kokaṭē gamyamu
The goal of all religions is one and the same

aneḍu sāyi andaraku śaraṅyamu
Thus spake Sai, who is the refuge to all

nannu nam'mi nī bhāramu nantayu
With faith if all burden is left on Me

nāpai vēsina nēnu mōsedanu
I shall carry them for you

nēnuṅḍaga bhayamenduku nīkani
Why do you fear when I am here

sāyi bhaktulaku abhaya mosaṅgunu
Saying thus Sai confers protection to His devotees.

svārthatyāgamu jitēndriyatvamu
Sacrificing selfishness, having sense control

satsaṅgatvamu muktiki mārgamu
Having good company paves way for liberation.

parōpakārame parama dharmamagu
Helping others is the ultimate act of righteousness

parula himsayē naraka hētuvagu
Hurting others is the pathway to hell

ati bhāṣaṇamē matiki hāniyagu
Excessive talk is harmful for minds

mitabhāṣaṇamē matiki hāiyagu
While less talk is a sure way to peace of mind

grāmasēvayē rāma sēvayagu
Grama Seva is Rama Seva

prēmatattvamē daivatattvamagu
The principle of love is the divine principle

dayagala hṛdayame daiva mandiramu
A compassionate heart is verily the temple of the Lord

dayayē lēnicō dayyamutō sari
One bereft of compassion is comparable to devil

paradūṣaṇamē pāpapōṣaṇamu
Speaking ill of others will beget sins

narulandaru divyātmarūpulē
All human beings are embodiments of Divine.

daiva prītiyu pāpabhītiyunu
Love for God, Fear of sin and

saṅghanītiyunu kāvale janulaku
Morality in society are essential for all.

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kulamukannanū guṇamē goppadi
Not caste but the virtues are great

guṇaśīlam'mula meccunu dēvuḍu
God is pleased only with our virtues and conduct

vidyaku lakṣyamu mañcinaḍatayē
The end of education is character

aḥamu viḍaci vinayam'mu peṅcukō
Give up ego and foster humility

madilō samatanu śānti nimpukō
Fill your heart with equanimity and peace

mānavatā viluvalanu peṅcukō
Develop and practice human values

nīkēnaccani parulacēṣṭalanu
What you don't like to beget from others

nīveppuḍunū cēyakuṇḍumā
Desist from doing it to others.

cētulu samāja sēvanuṅcumā
Let your hands be engaged in serving the society

cittamu vairāgyamutō nimpumā
Fill your heart with detachment.

karuṇāyā prēmāyā kaliginatṭi
With compassion and love for all

ā naruḍē śivudāgu lēnicō śavamāgu
Man becomes God, lest a corpse.

manas'su māṭāyā kriyāyā okaṭigā
One with harmonious thought, word and deed

masaleḍu naruḍē dēvuni jērunu
Such person only will reach God

anu sāyīśuni bōdhala nevvaru
Those who follow these teachings of Sai

ācarinturō vāru sukhinturu
Will lead a happy, fulfilling life

satya pracārā dharmā dhārā
Propagator of Truth, the very basis of Righteousness

śānti svabhāvā prēmāvatārā
Embodiment of peace, Incarnation of love

śivaśakyātmaka saṅkaṭaharaṇā
Embodiment of Shiva and Shakti, Remover of all problems

sirisampadaliḍu karuṇābharaṇā
The compassionate Lord showers on us with abundant wealth and prosperity

māṭāyā pitayunu guruvudaivamāni
You are our Mother, Father, Guru and God

nam'mitimāyā nīvesarvamāni
Thus we believe You to be our everything

durgā lakṣmī sarasvatī ambā
You are verily Durga, Lakshmi, Saraswathi and Amba

duḥkha nivāriṇi sāyī jagadambā
Oh Sai, Mother of the world, Remover of sorrows

asattunūḍi satya padavikini
From untruth to the Ultimate Truth

tamas'su nuṇḍi jyōtipatamunaku
From darkness to the Light

mṛtyuvunuṇḍi amṛta sthitikini
From death to the state of Immortality

naḍipi mam'mu nīdariki jērcumā
Lead us oh Sai to reach You

śraddayu sahanamu bhakti nam'makamu
Only those who have steadfastness, forbearance, devotion and faith

unnavāre pondedaru sāyidaya
Will receive Sai's compassion in abundance

jayamu nīku prabhu jayamō sāyī
Victory to You Lord, Victory to You Sai

śaraṇāgatulamu kāvagadōyī
Pray, protect us who have surrendered to You

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satyasāyi cālīsa paṭhiṅcina
One who recites Sathya Sai Chalisa

sāyirāmu daya sadā labhiñcunu
Begets Sai Rama's compassion all the time

kaṣṭasādhyamagu kāryamu lellanu
Tasks that are seemingly difficult

sulabhasādhyamagu sāyi karuṇatō
Becomes easy with Sai's grace

manasuna vākkuna sāyini golicina
One who worships Sai in thoughts and words

manujuḍu bādhala nennaḍu pondaḍu
Never suffers any difficulties

mūgavāḍu vācāluḍugānagu
Vocally challenged becomes eloquent

kuṇṭivāḍu koṇḍalapai egurunu
Physically challenged climbs mountains

nī kṛpavallane paramānandā
Only with Your grace, Oh Blissful Lord!

nīku vandanamu sāyimukundā
Salutations to You Sai Mukunda!

maṅgaḷahārati gonumā
Accept this auspicious Arathi

maṅgaḷakarapartidhāma maṅjulanāmā
Lord of auspicious Parthi, the One with a beautiful name

saṅgīta rasa priyā
The One who loves nectarous music

sāṣṭāṅga natul sētu nīku satatamu sāyī
I prostrate to You always oh Sai!

śivaśaktyātmaka sāyīrām
śritajana rakṣaṇa sāyīrām
parti purīśā sāyīrām
praśānti nilayā sāyīrām
īśvarāmba suta sāyīrām
īśvarāmsāyuta sāyīrām
kāṣāyāmbara sāyīrām

karuṇā bharaṇā sāyīrām
satya pracāraka sāyīrām
nitya nirañjana sāyīrām

rāma rāma jaya rājārām rāma rāma jaya sāyīrām

dharmōddāraka sāyīrām
dayā samudrā sāyīrām
śānti svabhāvā sāyīrām
śyāmala kōmala sāyīrām
prēma svarūpā sāyīrām
kāmitārtha prada sāyīrām
jagadōddāraṇa sāyīrām
jagannādhaśrī sāyīrām

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dattātrēya sāyīrām
dāridryāntaka sāyīrām
bhaktajanāvana sāyīrām
patita pāvanā sāyīrām
lōkādharaka sāyīrām
śōkavidāraka sāyīrām
bhaktavaśaṅkara sāyīrām
bhukti mukti prada sāyīrām
vibhūti vilasita sāyīrām
prabhū namōnama sāyīrām

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nityalīlā rāma vandita satyanāmā
Oh ever-sportive Rama, Salutations to Thee, who has Truth as His name

sāyīrāmā nīdu dāsula callagāgani niratamunu dayabrōvumā
Oh Sai Rama! Shower compassion on Your servitors ever and kindly protect them