

Prayers chanted at the beginning of class

om śrī gurubhyo namaḥ hariḥ om ॐ श्री गुरुभ्यो नमः हरिः ॐ
(1)

om śrutismṛtiparāṇānām ālayam karuṇālayam ॐ श्रुतिस्मृतिपराणानां आलयं करुणालयम् ।

namāmi bhagavatpādam śaṅkaram lokaśaṅkaram ॐ नमामि भगवत्पादं शङ्करं लोकशङ्करम् ॥
(2)

śaṅkaram śaṅkarācāryam keśavam bādarāyaṇam शङ्करं शङ्कराचार्यं केशवं बादरायणम् ।

sūtrabhāṣyakṛtau vande bhagavantau punaḥ punaḥ ॐ सूत्रभाष्यकृतौ वन्दे भगवन्तौ पुनः पुनः ॥
(3)

īśvarogururātmeti mūrtibhedavibhāgine ईश्वरोगुरुरात्मेति मूर्तिभेदविभागिने ।

vyomavadvyāptadehāya dakṣiṇāmūrtaye namaḥ ॐ व्योमवद्व्याप्तदेहाय दक्षिणामूर्तये नमः ॥
(4)

om ॐ ब्रह्मानन्दं परमसुखदं केवलं ज्ञानमूर्तिं
brahmānandaṁ paramasukhadaṁ kevalaṁ jñānamūrtiṁ

dvandvātītaṁ gaganasadr̥śaṁ tattvamasyādilakṣyam द्वन्द्वातीतं गगनसदृशं तत्तमस्यादिलक्ष्यम्

ekaṁ nityaṁ vimalamacalaṁ sarvadhīśākṣibhūtaṁ एकं नित्यं विमलमचलं सर्वधीसाक्षिभूतं

bhāvātītaṁ triguṇarahitaṁ sadgurum taṁ namāmi om ॐ भावातीतं त्रिगुणरहितं सद्गुरुं तं नमामि ॐ
(5)

om sadāśivasamārambhām ॐ सदाशिवसमारम्भां

śaṅkarācāryamadhyamām शङ्कराचार्यमधमाम् ।

asmadācāryaparyantām अस्मदाचार्यपर्यन्तां

vande guruparamparām om (6) वन्दे गुरुपरम्पराम् ॐ ॥

om śanno mitraḥ śaṁvaruṇaḥ ॐ शन्नो मित्रः शंवरुणः ।

śanno bhavatvaryamā शन्नो भवत्वर्यमा ।

śanna indro bṛhaspatiḥ शन्न इन्द्रो बृहस्पतिः ।

śanno viṣṇururukramah शन्नो विष्णुरुरुक्रमः ।

namo brahmaṇe namaste vāyo नमो ब्रह्मणे । नमस्ते वायो ।

tvameva pratyakṣaṁ brahmāsi त्वमेव प्रत्यक्षं ब्रह्मासि ।

tvameva pratyakṣaṁ brahma vadiṣyāmi त्वमेव प्रत्यक्षं ब्रह्म वदिष्यामि ।

ṛtaṁ vadiṣyāmi satyaṁ vadiṣyāmi ऋतँ॑वदि॒ष्यामि । सत्यँ॑वदि॒ष्यामि ।

tanmā mavatu tadvaktāram avatu तन्माम॑वतु । तद्वक्तार॑मवतु ।

avatu mām avatu vaktāram avatu vaktāram अवतु॑ माम् । अवतु॑ वक्तारम्॑ अवतु॑ वक्तारम्॑ ॥

om śāntiḥ śāntiḥ śāntiḥ ॐ शान्तिः॑ शान्तिः॑ शान्तिः॑ ॥
(7)

om saha nāvavatu ॐ सह॑ नाववतु ।

saha naubhunaktu सह॑ नौभुनक्तु ।

saha vīryaṁ karavāvahai सह॑ वीर्यं॑ करवावहै ।

tejasvināvadhītamastu तेजस्विना॑वधीतमस्तु ।

mā vidviṣāvahai मा॑ विद्विषावहै ॥

om śāntiḥ śāntiḥ śāntiḥ ॐ शान्तिः॑ शान्तिः॑ शान्तिः॑ ॥
(8)

Oh, Lord! We now bow our heads in reverential salutations
unto all teachers and to the sacred lineage of teachers.
We invoke their grace to remove our self-ignorance.
(1)

I salute *Śaṅkarabhagavatpāda*; the abode of *śruti* (*Vedas*),
smṛti and the *purāṇas*; the wellspring of compassion;
the one who blesses the world with happiness. (2)

I salute again and again *Śaṅkarācārya* who is Lord *Śiva* and
Bādarāyaṇa (*Vyāsa*) who is Lord *Viṣṇu*. I salute He who
embodies the venerable ones; they who wrote the aphorisms
(*Brahmasūtras*) and commentaries thereon (*bhāṣya*). (3)

Salutations to Lord *Dakṣināmūrti* who is all-pervasive
like space; who appears (as-though) subdivided as Lord, Teacher
and Self. (4)

The one whose nature is absolute-fullness; that is *Brahman*.
The one who gives me self-knowledge and happiness with no
reason; who is 'non-dual'; who is of the nature of limitless-
awareness; who is 'in and through' and yet transcends all
pairs of opposites; who is all-pervasive like space; who is the
implied meaning of the *mahāvākyam* 'That Thou Art';
who is 'one without a second'; who is timeless and yet unopposed
to time; who is pure, free from binding likes and dislikes; who is
motionless; who is the witness to the presence and absence of
thought; who is free from all ignorance-caused suffering; who is
free from all qualities, yet 'in and through' all qualities. I salute that
revered teacher who is quality-less-existence. (5)

I salute the lineage of teachers which began with *Śiva*, the Lord,
down through the ages to *Śaṅkarācārya*, extending to the
present day and my own revered teacher. (6)

May *Mitra* give us fullness.
May *Varuṇa* give us fullness.
May *Aryaman* give us fullness.
May *Indra* and *Brhaspati* give us fullness.
Salutations to *Brahman*.
Salutations to you *Vāyo*;
You indeed are the immediate *Brahman*.
I shall call you righteousness.
I shall call you truth.
May He protect me.
May He protect the teacher.
May He protect me.
May He protect the teacher.
May He protect me.
May He protect the teacher.
om peace peace peace (7)

May He protect us (both).
May He nourish us (both).
May we (both) acquire the capacity
(to study and understand the scriptures).
May our studies be brilliant.
May we not argue with each other.
om peace peace peace (8)

Prayers chanted at the conclusion of class

om svasti prajābhyaḥ paripālayantām ॐ स्वस्ति॑ प्रजा॑भ्यः परि॑पालयन्ताम् ।

nyāyena mārgena mahīm mahīśāḥ न्याये॑न मार्गे॑ण मही॑ं मही॑शाः ॥

gobrāhmaṇebhyaśsubhamastu nityam गे॒ब्राह्म॑णे॒भ्यश्शु॑भमस्तु नित्यम् ।

lokāssamastāssukhino bhavantu ले॒कास्स॑मस्तास्सु॒खिनो॑ भवन्तु ॥ १ ॥

kāle varṣatu parjanyaḥ काले॑ वर्ष॑तु पर्जन्यः॑ ।

pṛthivī sasyaśālinī पृथि॑वी सस्य॑शालिनी ॥

deśo'yaṁ kṣobharahitaḥ देशो॑ऽयं क्षोभ॑रहितः ।

brāhmaṇāssantu nirbhayāḥ ब्राह्म॑णास्सन्तु निर्भ॑याः ॥ २ ॥

om sarveṣāṁ svastirbhavatu ॐ सर्वे॑षां स्वस्ति॑र्भवतु ।

sarveṣāṁ śāntirbhavatu सर्वे॑षां शान्ति॑र्भवतु ॥

sarveṣāṃ pūrṇāmbhavatu सर्वेषां पूर्णभवतु ।

sarveṣāṃ maṅgalāmbhavatu सर्वेषां मङ्गलंभवतु ॥ ३ ॥

sarve bhavantu sukhinaḥ सर्वे भवन्तु सुखिनः ।

sarve santu nirāmayāḥ सर्वे सन्तु निरामयाः ॥

sarve bhadraṇi paśyantu सर्वे भद्राणि पश्यन्तु ।

mā kaścīd duḥkhabhāg bhavet मा कश्चिद् दुःखभाग् भवेत् ॥ ४ ॥

asato mā sadgamaya असतो मा सद्गमय ।

tamaso mā jyotirgamaya तमसो मा ज्योतिर्गमय ।

mṛtyormā'amṛtaṃ gamaya मृत्योर्माऽमृतं गमय ॥

om pūrṇamadaḥ pūrṇamidaṃ pūrṇāt ॐ पूर्णमदः पूर्णमिदं पूर्णात् पूर्णमुदच्यते ।
pūrṇamudatcyate

pūrṇasya pūrṇamādāya pūrṇamevāvaśiṣyate पूर्णस्य पूर्णमादाय पूर्णमेवावशिष्यते ॥

om śāntiḥ śāntiḥ śāntiḥ ॐ शान्तिः शान्तिः शान्तिः ॥
(6)

ḥariḥ om śrī gurubhyo namaḥ ḥariḥ om हरिः ॐ श्री गुरुभ्यो नमः हरिः ॐ ॥
(7)

May all beings be happy.
May the kings righteously rule the Earth.
Let there be abundance for animals and people of
wisdom at all times.
May all enjoy fullness. (1)

May it rain at the proper time.
May the soil produce grains.
May this country be free from famine.
May men of contemplation (those that see
beyond the objective world) be fearless. (2)

May all have good fortune.
May all know peace.
May all know fullness.
May all know freedom from suffering. (3)

May all be happy.
May all be healthy.
May all be prosperous.
May none suffer. (4)

Lead me from the unreal to the real;
from ignorance to illumination;
from mortality to death-less-ness. (5)

All is Fullness. This is 'full'.
From Fullness, this 'full' is made manifest.
Removing this 'full' from Fullness,
Fullness alone remains.
om peace peace peace (6)

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