

# Shiv Chalisa

Jai Ganesh Girija suvan, mangal mool sujan,  
Kahati Ayodhyadas tum, deu abhaya vardan.

**Hail Lord Ganesh, son of Girija, who is  
supremely wise and the start of all auspicious  
events. Ayodhyadas asks you, to grant him the  
boon of safety and security.**

Jai Girijapati deen dayala,  
Sada karat santan pratipala.

**Hail Girijapati, the ever kind lord,  
Who always looks after and protects his  
devotees.**

Bhal chandrama sohati neeke,  
Kanan kundal nag phani ke.

**He has the moon upon his forehead,  
and in his ears, instead of rings, he has the  
serpents coiling around.**

Ang gaur shiv ganga banai,  
Mundamal tan kshar lagai.

**He is fair complexioned with the divine river,  
Ganga, flowing from his crown,  
Around his neck, he has a necklace of severed  
heads and his body is smeared with ash.**

Vastra khal baghambar sohe,  
Chhavi ko dekh nag muni mohe.

**He wears the skin of a panther tied around his waist,  
Looking at his charming view, the serpents and high sages get enchanted.**

Maina Matu ki priya dulari,  
Bam ang rajat Shiv pyari.

**The beloved daughter (referring to Parvati) of Maina is sitting on his lap at his left side,  
She is supremely dear to Lord Shiv.**

Kar men soha trishul ati bhari,  
Karahi sada shatrun samhari.

**He carries a heavy trident in his hand,  
with which he slays the enemies forever.**

Nandi Ganesh soh tanha kaise,  
Manas madhya kamal hon jaise.

**With him are Nandi and Lord Ganesh,  
Looking as beautiful as lotus flowers blooming in Mansarovar lake.**

Kartik shyam aur gana rauo,  
Ya chhavi barnat bane na kauo.

**He has with him dark complexioned Kartikeya and Ganesh,**

**No one is capable to describe the full  
spectacle.**

Devan jab hee aai pukara,  
Tabahin dukh prabhu ap nivara.

**Whenever the celestials faced problems and  
came to you,  
You always solved the problems and provided  
succour to them.**

Keen upadrava tarak bhari,  
devan sab mili tumhari pukari.

**When the demon Tarak wrought havoc,  
The celestials all called to you help.**

Turat shadanan ap pathayo,  
Luv nimesh mahi mar girayo.

**Then you immediately sent Sadanand,  
Who, within no time at all, destroyed the  
demon.**

Ap Jalandhar asur sanhara,  
Suyash tumhar vidit sansara.

**You also slayed the demon, Jalandhar,  
Your glory is well known to the world.**

Tripurasur sang yuddha machayi,  
sabahin kripa kari leen bachayi.

**By fighting and killing the Demon Tripurasur,  
You forgave everybody and saved the Gods.**

Keenha tap Bhagirath bhari,  
Purahi pratigya tasu purari.

**King Bhagirath 1 had performed a rigorous  
penance,  
And by your grace, you fulfilled his wishes.**

Darpa chhod Ganga tab ayee,  
Sewak astuti karat sadaee.

**Because of this, Ganga, left her abode and  
came to earth,  
That is why your devotees always sing your  
praise.**

Ved naam mahima tav gayaee,  
akath anadi bhed nahin payee.

**The Vedas had tried to describe your glory but  
the same is beyond explanation,  
It is impossible to fathom your full glory.**

Pragati udadhi manthan te jwala,  
Jare surasur bhaye bihala.

**The sea churning 2 had produced such a  
dreadful poisonous flame,  
Which scared both the Gods and demons.**

Mahadeva tab kari sahayee,  
Neelkantha tuv nam dharayee.

**The, Great God, you came to their rescue and  
drank the poison,  
Which stayed in your throat, making it blue,  
hence you are called Neelkanth**

Poojan Ramchandra jab keenha,  
Lanka jeet Vibhishan deenha.

**When Lord Ram III worshipped you,  
You gave him victory over Lanka and made  
Vibhishan it's king.**

Sahas kamal arpanahi vichari,  
Keenha pareeksha tabahi purari.

**During this worship, Lord Ram decided to offer  
you a thousand lotus flowers,  
Then to assess his firmness of faith, you  
decided to test him.**

Ek kamal Prabhu rakheu goyee,  
Kamal nayan poojan chahin soyee.

**Lord, you decided to hide one of the flowers,  
Not finding it, Lord Ram substituted his lotus  
like eye for it.**

Kathin bhakti dekhi Prabhu Shankar,  
Bhaye prasanna deya icchhit var.

**Lord Shanker was pleased with his steadfast devotion,  
You granted him the desired boon.**

Jai Jai Jai, Ananta Avinasi,  
Karat kripa sab ke ghatvasi.

**Hail to thee, O Infinite and Indestructible Lord,  
Shower your grace on everybody, O  
Omniscient one.**

Dushta sakal mohi nitya satavan,  
Bharmita rahe man chain na aven.

**I am always troubled by wicked people,  
This makes me distressed with no peace of  
mind.**

Trahi trahe main nath pukaro,  
Yeh avasar mohi, ani ubaro.

**Getting distressed, I pray to you, Lord Shanker,  
O Lord, help me in these troubled times.**

Lai trishool shatrun ko marau,  
Sankat se mohi ani unarau.

**Come with your trident and slay my enemies,  
And free me from my problems.**

Mata pita bhrat sab hoi,  
Sankat mein poonchat nahi koi.

**Although I have my mother, father, brothers  
and family,  
Yet in times of trouble, nobody offers me help.**

Swami ekahi aas tumhari,  
Ai harahu sab sankat bhari.

**O Lord, you are my only hope,  
O Master, please come and take away this  
heavy burden (problems).**

Dhan nirdhan kon det sadaee,  
Arat jan ki peer mitaee.

**You give wealth to the poor,  
And you wipe away their difficulties.**

Astuti kehi vidhi karahu tumhari,  
Shambunath ab tek hamari.

**I do not know of any other way to seek your  
help from my problems,  
Hey, Shambunath, listen to my prayer now.**

Shanker ho sankat ke nashan,  
Vighna vinasan mangal karan.

**Shankar, you are the destroyer of problems,  
Please be the root of my happiness and welfare**

Yogi yathi muni dhyan lagaye,  
Sharad Narad Sheesh navavahin.

**All the sages and yogis meditate on you,  
Saraswati, Narad and the seers bow in  
reverence to you.**

Namo namo jab namah Shivaye,  
Sur brahmadik par na paye.

**I now chant your name, "Om Namah Shivaye",  
Neither Brahma not the Gods could fathom  
your entire glory.**

Jo yeh path kare man layee,  
To kon hot hain shamboo sahayee.

**Whoever reads this prayer with utmost  
devotion,  
Shall definitely be helped by Lord Shamboo,  
without any doubt.**

Putra na ho, ichha kare koi,  
Nishchaya Shiv prasad se hoi.

**Anybody without a son who prays to you,  
Will definitely be blessed with one by Lord  
Shiv.**

Pandit triyodashi ko lave,  
Dhyan poorvak hom karave.

**The devotees should get a priest to perform a  
yagna on the 13th lunar day of the fortnight,  
And with full attention and devotion, one must  
pray to Lord Shiv to get their wishes fulfilled.**

Triyodashi vrita kare hamesha,  
Tan nahi take rahe kalesha.

**Whoever fasts on the thirteenth day of the  
lunar fortnight,  
Gets peace of mind and a healthy body.**

Dhoop deep naivedya chadhavahi,  
Shanker sanmukha path karavahi.

**With a lighted lamp, incense and other payer  
material,  
One should worship before an idol of Lord  
Shiva with full devotion.**

Janam Janam ki pap nasavahin,  
Antawas shivpur men pavahin.

**A devotee of Shiv will have all the sins of all  
his births wiped away,  
And in the end, he will live happily in the  
kingdom of Lord Shiva.**

Hey Shankar hai aas tumhari,  
Dukh peera ab harahu hamari.

**O Lord Shanker, you are my only hope,  
Now please end all my pains and worries.**