



Fo Guang Shan Temple of Toronto

Monthly Events

November 2017

*If we can hear countless words when in silence,
we are getting in touch with a bit of Chan already.*



Upcoming Events – November 2017

Date & Time

November 23, 24, 26

10:00am–9:30pm

Events

Amitabha Chanting Retreat

During this 3 day retreat, participants chant Amitabha Buddha's name every day, as well as listen to Dharma talks, recite the Buddha's name, prostrate to the Buddha, and circumambulate the Buddha as walking meditation, practice repentance prostration, and perform great merit-dedication. These activities help calm and purify our body and mind, and arouse in us the aspiration to benefit the self and others through praying and making good vows. Pure land practitioners have the faith that by devotedly chanting Amitabha Buddha's name one can attain rebirth in the Buddha's Pure Land.

Saturday, November 18

Sunday, November 19

5:30pm

Buddha's Light Vegetarian Gala

This fundraising dinner is organised once every 3 years. Guests will enjoy a special gourmet vegetarian banquet, exhibition, live and silent auction as well as entertainment. Proceeds from the gala will support BLIA's many charitable programs, cultural and educational activities.

November 4, 5, 11, 12

Buddha's Light Vegetarian Gala

Silent Auction Preview

As part of the fundraising activity, a silent auction will be held at the gala. Interested parties are invited to preview and bid for the many enticing array of unique finds and classic items.

Sunday, November 5

9:30am–12:30pm

Great Compassion Repentance Service

The Great Compassion Repentance Ceremony is based on the Great Compassion Mantra. This mantra, is very popular in the Chinese culture and widely recited among devotees, consists of eighty-four phrases. Water blessed

with the Great Compassion Mantra is called the Great Compassion Water and is taken by devotees for its spiritually cleansing qualities. Some of the merits often associated with the Great Compassion Mantra are: rebirth into higher realms, meeting beneficial acquaintances, having competent facilities, obtaining bountiful food and wealth, gaining great respect, and having the opportunity to learn Buddhist teachings. We invite everyone to participate and take the opportunity to plant the seeds of beneficial cause and conditions for ultimate wisdom.

Sundays

November 5, 12, 26

10:00am–12:30pm

Sunday Dharma Service

A way to cultivate and practice the purification of body and mind. The services include recitation of Sutra and practice of mindful prostrations.

Friday, November 3

Saturday, November 18

10:00am–12:30pm

Bright Light Chanting Service

Offerings to Buddha Ceremony on every 1st & 15th day of the lunar month. All merits will be transferred to the devotees, auspicious wishes to the family and fulfilment of wishes. The services include Sutras chanting as well as paying homage to the Buddha.



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