

## JAIN FESTIVAL **AYAMBIL OLI**

## Shukla Ashtami – Day 2 of Ayambil Oli Siddha Pad

Siddha is symbolised by the colour red and on this day the Ayambil menu includes boiled wheat / red kidney beans

Siddhas are liberated souls who have extinguished all their Ghati and Aghati karmas and will not acquire any new karmas. Tirthankaras and all arihants after their nirvana (death) are known as Siddhas. They are totally free and liberated and free from the cycle of birth and death. They do not possess body - are formless. They do not feel pleasure, pain, or joy and sorrow. They live as a pure soul in an everlasting blissful condition above the Siddha Shila at the top of universe known as Moksha.

Even though the quality and attributes of all Siddhas are same, they still maintain their unique identity.

Siddhas have eight attributes - namely by eliminating the four Ghati Karmas, they have infinite knowledge (Anant-gyan); infinite perception (Anant darshan) - that is they they know and perceive everything in total that is happening now, that has happened in the past, and that will happen in the future all at the same time ; perfect conduct (Anant-charitra); infinite vigour (Anant-virya). By eliminating the four Aghati karmas, they experience eternal happiness (Avyabadha-sukha); immortality (Akshaya-Sthiti); are formless (Arupitva) and are equal among all Siddhas (Aguru-Laghutva).

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**Ritual**: Khamasnas (x8) | Logassa (x8) Prayer - Ohm Hrim Namo Siddhaanam (x20 malas)

If you wish to participate and are unable to do the above, do as per your capacity and time.