

### Sri Lakshmi Temple

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# Godha

#### A solo dance presentation by

#### Smt. Jothi Raghavan

Music composed by Sri. Rajkumar Bharathi Guidance by Sri Velukkudi Krishnan Swamy

The dance portrays the devotion and love of the father **Periyazhwar** and his daughter **Andal** for **Krishna**.

The father instills the adoration of the lord in the daughter even as a mere child as he also teaches her to string beautiful flower garlands that he strings together every day for his lord Vatapatra Sayi in the temple in their village of Srivilliputhur.

Andal grows up singing verses in adoration of Krishna and stringing garlands and adorning her Krishna!



This moving dance portrays Periyazhwar realizing that his daughter is not a mere child but divinity who has captured the Lord with her love and hence calls her Andal - One who rules over the Lord.

He is known as Periazhwar as he adores the Lord like a mother and also becomes a father in law to him!

The story continues with the portrayal of Andal's adoration and her longing for Krishna and her vow to marry only Krishna and no one else. The performance concludes with her final dream of her wedding with the Lord!



## Sunday 12/02/2018 at 4pm Sri Lakshmi Temple Auditorium

May the blessings of Sri Lakshmi be always with you & your family!