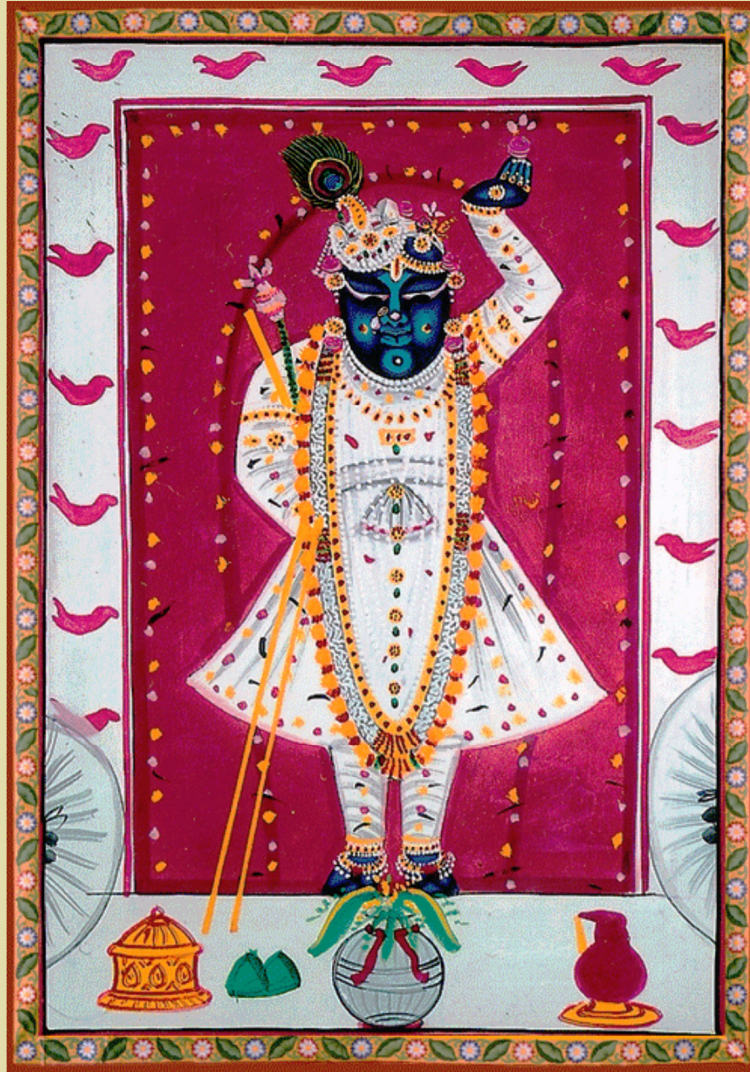


THE UTSAV
SHRI KRISHNA'S FESTIVE YEAR



BASANT PANCHAMI
(Maagh Paacham - 5)

Holi festival celebrates the arrival of spring. It begins with Basant Panchami (usually in feb) marking the birthday of kaamdeva, the lord of love. For the forty days afterwards, red and white powders and sandalwood pastes are sprinkled over Shri Krishna. During holi Shri Krishna plays in unrestricted ways with all his bhaktas. This is considered to be Shri Krishna's favorite festival and the blessed lord Krishna wears mostly white during these days so that the colours his bhaktas throw at him will stay. Shri Krishna loves this festival so much that after it is over, great efforts are taken to make him forget this festival.

Shringar :- Safed Vastra , gherdar vagha , shrimastak par pagh , sada chandrika , mzena ke aabhran , madhya ke shringar megshyam mauja , lal thada vastra.