

## Shiva Linga



On the left side of the main Sanctum Santorum, is the idol of Shiva Linga. Mahadeva, Eswara, Rudradeva are some of the names Lord Shiva is also known as. He is represented by a symbol - Linga representing His attribute as formless. He is the God of destruction. He is one of the Deities who control "the Mind" and the controller of 'Self'. His blessings are absolute necessary for focusing and meditation on the 'Self'. In front of the Shiva Linga is the idol of Nandi - the bull. This represents Lord Shiva's control over all the embodied beings – 'Pashupati'. It is customary to see the Linga in between the horns of Nandi - indicating "see the Lord beyond one's arrogance".

Om Namah Shivaya!