



PERUMKALIYATTAM, SREE MANAKULANGARA BHAGAVATHY TEMPLE



LOCATION

**Panchayath/
Municipality/
Corporation**

Kalliassery Municipality

District

Kannur



ACCESSIBILITY

**Nearest Town/
Landmark/
Junction**

E K Nayanar Memorial Model Polytechnic College
– 600m

Nearest Bus Station

Kalliasseri Bus Stop – 350 m

**Nearest Railway
Station**

Valapattanam Railway Station – 6.9Km

Nearest Airport

Calicut International Airport – 127km



CONTACT

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TIME

DATES

Dates to be advised

FREQUENCY

Once in 12 years,
next 2022

DURATION

6 Days

ABOUT THE FESTIVAL (Legend/History/Myth)

This is one of the famous temples in Kannur with more than 800 year old. Chuzhali bhagavathy is the main deity. The legend associated with temple is that, a yatch containing jaggery, dried coconuts etc arived at Ayiramthengu coast in Cherukunnu. An idol of Devi was also present among other items carried by the yatch. Cherukunnu was under the reign of King Kolathiri. The materials were unloaded and taken to the palace. Devi's idol was kept safely in the chest. In the mean time Nayanar of Karakkat needed a Devi's idol for consecration in the newly built temple. He conveyed this messageto King Kolathiri through his servant, Chittodath Gurukkal. King Kolathiri acceded to Nayanar's request and gave away the devi's idol. King's elder brother who was unaware of this happening, went to the chest the following day to pray. He found the chest in darkness devoid of Devi's idol. He sent his soldiers to retrieve the idol from Gurukkal. When Gurukkal saw the soldiers chasing him, he ran and reached on the bank of Valappattanam stream. As he did not see any boat to cross the stream, he swam across it. He reached the other bank and continued his journey. He saw some washer men washing clothes. He hid the idol among the washed clothes and waited for sometime. The soldiers returned as they failed to catch Gurukkal. Gurukkal continued his plight. When the washer men lifted the washed clothes, they got turbulance on the ground. They got upset and informed the matter to the local chief. Devi's presence was felt and Manakkulangara Bhagavathy temple was built.



RELEVANCE-
(Local / National /
International)

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE
PARTICIPATED**

About 25,000

EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Thalapoli
Theyyam
Percussion music
Cultural Activities
Annadanam

DESCRIPTION (*How festival is celebrated*)

Perumkaliyattam is a grand event conducted in this temple once in 12 years. Festival starts by Kalavaraniyakkal ceremony, in which devotees bring sacks of rice and vegetables to temple as a procession. It is done as an offering to the deity. *Thalapoli*, a unique ritual takes place on the starting day. In this ritual, women and young girls carry *thalam* in their hands. *Thalam* is filled with rice, flowers and a lighted lamp, accompanied by percussion music. The major attraction of this festival is theyyams, different varieties of theyyams such as Nagakanni amma, Oorpazhassi, Vettakkorumakan, Arayil Bhagavathy, Chuzhali Bhagavathy etc are played on the festival days. *Annadanam* is given to devoties on this time.

