



# MANNARKKAD POORAM

UDAYARKUNNU BHAGAVATHY TEMPLE, MANNARKKAD



## LOCATION

**Panchayat/  
Municipality/  
Corporation**

Mannarkad Panchayat

**District**

Palakkad

**Nearest Town/  
Landmark/  
Junction**

VM Road Junction – 850 m

**Nearest Bus station**

VM Road Junction Bus Stop – 850 m

**Nearest Railway  
station**

Palghat Town Railway Station – 38 Km

**Nearest Airport**

Calicut International Airport – 69.6 Km



## ACCESSIBILITY



**CONTACT**

Udyarkunnu Bhagavathy Temple  
Arakurissi  
Mannarkkad – 678582  
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**TIME**

**DATES**

March (*Kumbham*)

**FREQUENCY**

Annual

**DURATION**

7 Days



**ABOUT THE FESTIVAL**

(Legend/History/Myth)

Sree Arakurissi Udayarkunnu Bhagavathy temple at Mannarkkad is famous for the annual festival, Mannarkkad Pooram. The festival is one of the oldest temple festivals in the state and is celebrated during the Malayalam calendar month of *Kumbham* by people of various communities of the area in unison. It is marked by the presence of tribals from the Attappadi who come all the way to pay obeisance to the Goddess. The temple is controlled by the family of the erstwhile rulers of the area – the Mannarkkad Mooppil Nair family.



**RELEVANCE-**  
(Local / National / International)

Local



**NO. OF PEOPLE PARTICIPATED**

Above 2000

## EVENTS/PROGRAMS

## DESCRIPTION (How festival is celebrated)

Pooram Purappadu  
Arattu Ezhunellathu  
Flag Hoisting  
Percussion Music  
Cultural Programs  
Traditional Art Forms

The Mannarkad Pooram is an annual festival conducted at the Udayarkunnu Bhagavathy Temple so as to honor the deity in the temple. This festival starts with *Pooram Purappadu*. *Arattu Ezhunellathu* is a procession carrying the idol of the temple for the holy dip in the temple pond. The festive mood is lifted by traditional percussion music and cultural programs conducted during the festival. Temple art forms such as *Chakyarkoothu*, *Ottanthullal* etc. are also staged during the festival days. *Kanji Parcha* is a special event held during the festival.

