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Reflections on genuine enthusiasm and commitment

Original pages 1-3. Huế Hương, lay Buddhist. Sydney, December 15, 2025.

Reflections prompted by the announcement that a street beside Khánh Anh Pagoda in France would be named after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm.

After reading the newsletter, certain words continue to resonate in my mind: “Committed service to the community takes many practical forms: organizing relief, supporting families in difficulty, helping elderly and isolated people, and offering comfort and emotional support to those experiencing loss and suffering. These actions affirm Buddhism's active role in society, especially in humanity's most difficult moments.”

I asked myself whether the decision of the municipality of Évry-Courcouronnes invited us to recognize that many historical values retain their relevance and find broad application in modern society, providing a foundation for sustainable development. Perhaps these values are expressed today through the preservation of cultural identity and the strengthening of community solidarity.

The answer might be: “Let us have confidence and move steadily along the path of service. Our sincerity and dedication are already the greatest recognition of our own integrity.”

The life of the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm in France illustrates this historical value. Serving others wholeheartedly without expecting anything in return is a noble and admirable way to live. When we help without seeking an immediate reward, we discover genuine inner satisfaction and joy in the act itself. This is the most precious reward, greater than any external recognition.

If an award or public tribute comes, it is simply the natural outcome of sincere, sustained effort. Whether it comes or not, the value of the actions remains unchanged.

The Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm's genuine commitment was also regularly nurtured through teaching, meditation, and a disciplined life, with the aim of attaining awakening and serving living beings. This is the central path and lifelong purpose of many great teachers and wise practitioners living abroad.

To sustain this flame of service, as the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm did, certain qualities need to be cultivated in favorable conditions:

1. **Empathy.** The ability to put oneself in another person's position and sincerely feel their suffering and difficulties provides a powerful motivation to help tirelessly. This may be the first and most important condition.
2. **Altruism.** Being willing to place the common good or another person's interests above one's own. When another person's joy becomes our joy, enthusiasm arises naturally.
3. **Patience and perseverance.** The path of service is not always strewn with roses. Difficulties, misunderstandings, and even ingratitude may arise. A resilient disposition that does not lose heart in adversity allows this commitment to continue.
4. **Positive thinking and optimism.** Helping requires faith that our efforts have meaning and can make a difference, however small. Optimism helps us see light at the end of the tunnel and keep going.

5. **A sense of responsibility.** Feeling responsible toward the community and society rather than living only for oneself. Recognizing one's place within a greater whole encourages action.

6. **Emotional balance.** To serve for the long term without becoming exhausted, one must care for oneself and manage one's energy and emotions. Continual giving must be accompanied by replenishing one's own strength.

The flame of the Most Venerable Minh Tâm's commitment is illustrated by the following passage from Venerable Thích Nguyên Tạng's article on the Quảng Đức website: “Ôn Minh Tâm, the One Who Plants Lotuses in the Snow.”

“Like many other teachers in the diaspora, during forty years in France he devoted most of his time to building infrastructure and laying strong foundations for future generations. This is an immense sacrifice and a heavy burden for those who come first. Building Khánh Anh Pagoda was one of the great Buddhist works of his life. He never ceased to worry about its completion.

He endured considerable hardship through his work for the pagoda and the Congregation, as well as a chronic stomach ulcer. His meals often consisted of instant noodles and lettuce, and his health gradually deteriorated. At times he collapsed from illness. Yet, with an iron will, he persevered to the end.

Some misunderstood him and harshly criticized the construction of such a large pagoda. In an interview with a television channel in the United States, he explained: ‘Building a pagoda is a bodhisattva practice. If one thinks only of oneself, there is no need to go to so much trouble. Here, I am thinking of the Vietnamese generations who will follow us abroad. Khánh Anh Pagoda is quite large: it is not only a place of worship but also a monastery to train monks and nuns who will continue propagating the Dharma. Construction has taken so long mainly because funding arrives irregularly; we depend largely on the generosity of our refugee compatriots.’

He was truly a bodhisattva who came to build a pagoda in Europe. He planted lotuses in the snow at Évry, and these lotuses will bloom in the days ahead. Even though he is no longer here to see the fruit of his work, his successors will continue his vast, inconceivable aspiration.

Everyone eagerly awaited the opportunity to travel to France for the inauguration and congratulate him on completing this work. But he departed and said farewell: ‘A star has gone out over Europe.’ May his successors complete the final stage of construction and fulfill his wish to propagate the Dharma.”

When a life is honored, succeeding generations can find in it a light for their own path. This is a profound lesson in history and humanity.

Genuine enthusiasm, especially when devoted to humanity, one's people, peace, and morality, does not disappear with time. During a person's lifetime, that light may not be fully recognized. Once the dust settles, however, its true value finds its place in collective memory.

“Genuine commitment will eventually be honored and has historical value.”

Conclusion

The greatest recognition lies not in a street sign but in the fact that this path continues to guide people toward goodness.

When someone is honored after leaving this world, history is not inviting young people to dream of fame; it teaches them to live in a way worthy of the silence that precedes the tribute.

First lesson: true worth does not demand immediate recognition. The person whose name now appears on a street once walked narrow paths that no one remembered. The honor is only the final punctuation mark; the meaning lies in the years lived without applause.

Second lesson: persistent service is greater than status. Young people are often taught to “succeed,” but history honors those who place responsibility above rank and the common good above acclaim.

Third lesson: morality is the most enduring legacy. Knowledge can become outdated and power can change; an upright, compassionate, steadfast life silently becomes a standard for many generations, even when no one knows exactly where it began.

Final lesson: live as though your name did not need to be given to a street. If history calls you one day, consider that its business. The duty of the young is to walk the path of conscience every day. Recognition, if it comes, will be only a small detail in a life already full of meaning.

Honor is therefore not the reward for ambition but the natural consequence of a life devoted to others.

The naming of a street after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm, long after his death, is more than a personal tribute. It carries several meanings:

- **History can correct its judgments.** What comes from the heart, virtue, and selfless service will sooner or later be recognized.
- **Spirituality is not separate from life.** When a practitioner fully embodies compassion and wisdom, their influence reaches beyond the temple and becomes part of society's heritage.
- **A street name is a living memory.** Every step along it silently recalls a life dedicated to something greater than oneself.

Respectful congratulations to Vietnamese Buddhism in Europe, especially to the monks, nuns, and devotees of Khánh Anh Pagoda in France.

A street honoring Thích Minh Tâm and an award for Thích Quảng Đạo

Original pages 4-5. Thích Nguyên Tạng, based on Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo's account.

In recognition of major contributions to local cultural and spiritual life, on Sunday, December 14, 2025, the municipality of Évry-Courcouronnes solemnly announced its decision to name a section of Rue François Mauriac adjoining the great Khánh Anh Pagoda “Rue du Très Vénérable Thích Minh Tâm” - Street of the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm.

During the reception of the delegation and this significant event, Buddhism was represented by the First President, Most Venerable Thích Tấn Thiệt; the Second President, Most Venerable Thích Như Điển; the Most Venerables Thích Quảng Hiển, Thích Hạnh Thông, Thích Thông Trí, and Thích Hoàng Khai; Geshe Tenzin Penpa, Most Venerable Chandarata, Geshe Tharchin Lobsang, Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo, head of Khánh Anh Pagoda, and other venerable monks and nuns.

The reception took place in the main hall in a solemn, friendly atmosphere, demonstrating mutual respect and the good relationship between the local authorities and the Vietnamese Buddhist community in France.

The Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm (1940-2013) was a distinguished Vietnamese Buddhist teacher. He held many important responsibilities within the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam and headed Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry-Courcouronnes. His life of study, practice, and service was closely connected to propagating the Dharma, education, and establishing the foundations of Vietnamese Buddhism in Europe.

After many years of study and research in Vietnam, Japan, and France, he devoted himself tirelessly to teaching the Dharma, training monks and nuns, and cultural and religious dialogue. In particular, from 1996 he initiated and directed the construction of Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry-Courcouronnes, described as Europe's largest pagoda. It became an important spiritual, cultural, and educational center for the Vietnamese community and Buddhists from around the world.

Beyond religious life, under his leadership the pagoda became a place of cultural exchange, encouraging tolerance and harmony among Buddhist traditions and between Buddhism and local society. It regularly welcomes international delegations and spiritual leaders, including the Dalai Lama during his visits to France.

The municipal decision to give his name to a neighboring street is a valuable recognition of his lasting contributions to the local community, French cultural and religious life, and the development of Vietnamese Buddhism abroad.

It is a great honor for the Congregation and Khánh Anh's monks, nuns, and devotees, and a significant milestone in French society's recognition of Buddhism's humane values, peace, and wisdom.

According to the municipality's plans, the official date of the street-sign unveiling ceremony will be announced later. Photographs and documents will then be shared to convey the joy and historical significance of this occasion to monastics, devotees, and friends near and far.

On the same occasion, Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo, abbot of Khánh Anh Pagoda, received an honorary medal from the French National Assembly in recognition of his practical, sustained service to the community during the COVID-19 pandemic.

During France's strict lockdown, although religious activities at the pagoda were suspended under public-health rules, he continued serving the community despite difficulties and risks: organizing relief, supporting families in serious difficulty, helping elderly and isolated people, conducting and accompanying funerals for compatriots who died during the pandemic, and comforting bereaved and distressed people.

His dedication, compassion, and social responsibility during this unprecedented health crisis deeply affected the community and were acknowledged by the French authorities. Beyond a personal honor, this medal affirms Buddhism's active social role, particularly in humanity's most difficult times.

Homage to Amitābha Buddha.

Caption: Mr. Michel [surname unclear in the reproduction], representing the municipality, presents the decision naming the street after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm on December 14, 2025.

Biography of the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm

Original pages 6-7. The Vietnamese and French versions overlap.

His secular name was Lê Minh Tâm. He was born on January 18, 1940, the tenth day of the twelfth lunar month in the year Kỷ Mão, in Thanh Lương village, Chí Công commune, Tuy Phong district, Bình Thuận province, Vietnam.

His father, Lê Minh Quang, later entered monastic life under the name Thích Minh Hữu. His mother was Hồ Thị Lang, whose Buddhist name was Nguyên Mỹ.

In 1949, he entered monastic life at Bửu Tích Pagoda in Hòa Đa, Bình Thuận province, and received the Buddhist name Nguyên Cảnh from his teacher.

In 1953, he studied at the Nha Trang monastic school, later the Hải Đức Buddhist Institute.

In 1956, he received novice precepts from the Most Venerable Thích Huyền Quang, the Church's Fourth Patriarch, who gave him the religious name Viên Dung and the name Minh Tâm.

In 1961 and 1962, he continued his studies at Quảng Hương Già Lam Monastery.

From 1962 to 1967, he taught the Dharma for the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam in Phú Yên province and taught at Bồ Đề Secondary School in Tuy Hòa. Together with the Most Venerables Thích Phúc Hộ and Thích Trí Thành, he led movements for religious freedom and human rights in his province.

From 1965 to 1967, he was principal of Bồ Đề Nguyên Thiều Secondary School in Bình Định.

In 1967, he received full bhikṣu ordination and went to Japan to study.

From 1967 to 1973, he completed postgraduate studies in Buddhist philosophy at Risshō University in Tokyo.

From 1968 to 1973, he headed the Japanese branch of the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam.

After the Paris Peace Accords were signed in early 1973, he went to France at the request of the Most Venerable Thích Huyền Quang, Secretary-General of the Church, to work with the Most Venerable Thích Nhất Hạnh.

In 1974, he founded the Khánh Anh practice center in Arcueil. In 1977, the pagoda officially moved to Rue Henri-Barbusse in Bagneux, near Paris. On February 19, 1979, he laid the foundation stone of its main hall.

In 1983, during the Thiện Hòa grand ordination ceremony at the International Buddhist Institute in the United States, he received the title Thượng tọa, Venerable.

On June 18, 1995, the foundation stone of the new Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry was laid.

In 1999, the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe conferred on him the title Hòa thượng, Most Venerable, in Oslo, Norway. At the same time, disciples of the Liễu Quán lineage invited him to become the fourteenth head of their overseas branch.

On July 8, 2011, in Colombo, Sri Lanka, the Sangha Council and national authorities awarded him a high national honor for his contribution to spreading the Dharma in Europe and America.

The Vietnamese text gives “from 2006 to 2023” for his term as Vice-President of the World Buddhist Sangha Council (WBSC), headquartered in Taiwan. The year 2023 is inconsistent with the same text's account of his death in 2013. In 2013, he chaired the Supreme Council of

Buddhist Dignitaries in France.

He helped establish the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe and was a pioneer and leader of Vietnamese Buddhism in several European countries.

In late 2007, the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Churches of the United States, Canada, Europe, and Australia met in Sydney during a Dharma retreat and established their intercontinental organization. He served its first coordinating term, from 2008 to 2010, and was one of its founding members.

He also initiated a movement of Buddhist study for monks, nuns, and lay devotees: five seminars at Khánh Anh and twenty-five European seminars. Throughout his life, he tirelessly defended human rights and religious freedom.

At major ordination ceremonies abroad, particularly in the United States, Australia, Canada, and Europe, he was regularly invited to serve as a master conducting ordination procedures, an instructing master, or the principal master of the ordination assembly.

After the twenty-fifth European Dharma seminar in Turku, Finland, he was hospitalized. Doctors diagnosed terminal heart and liver disease. He passed away peacefully on August 8, 2013, at 9:29 a.m. French time, the second day of the seventh lunar month of the year Quý Ty. The newsletter states an age of 75 according to its age-counting convention, 64 years in religious life, and 46 years since full ordination.

He belonged to the forty-fourth generation of the Lâm Tế lineage and the tenth generation of the Liễu Quán Zen lineage.

In 2025, to honor Khánh Anh's founder, Évry-Courcouronnes decided to name a neighboring section of Rue François Mauriac “Rue du Très Vénérable Thích Minh Tâm.”

Caption: in the presence of dignitaries of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe, Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo receives the decision and the plan of the street named after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm.

Two figures of European Buddhism: remembrance and commitment

Original pages 7-11. Nguyễn Đình Nhân; the German version is signed Margaretha Nguyễn Đình.

Évry-Courcouronnes, December 11, 2025. Two pieces of good news strengthen Buddhism's presence and recognition in France, illustrating the richness of its spiritual and humanitarian heritage. The city honors the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm, founder of Khánh Anh Pagoda, by giving his name to a section of street. His successor, Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo, has received honors from the French Senate and National Assembly for his humanitarian work, demonstrating the Buddhist community's profound commitment to coexistence among all ethnic backgrounds and religions.

A French street bears a Vietnamese monk's name

At its meeting on December 11, 2025, the municipal council of Évry-Courcouronnes, 25 km from Paris, decided to rename a section of Rue François Mauriac beside the pagoda. The statement explains: "The municipality proposed to the Buddhist association that the section of Rue François Mauriac, a public road surrounding the parking area and providing access to the pagoda, be renamed 'Rue du Très Vénérable Thích Minh Tâm.'"

Located in the Parc aux Lièvres neighborhood on a wooded hill overlooking the Seine Valley, the pagoda has been a place of cultural and spiritual exchange for more than thirty years. This meaningful gesture expresses respect for the legacy of the founder of Europe's largest pagoda, whose construction began in 1995 and which was inaugurated by the Dalai Lama in 2008.

Its 3,000 square meters provide a setting for dialogue among Buddhist traditions and other religions and contribute to local social cohesion. Naming the street after Thích Minh Tâm, who died in Finland in 2013, recalls his major role in establishing Buddhism within French society. His journey, from entering a monastery at nine to international service, conveys a message of peace, solidarity, and openness.

As President of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Congregation in Europe, he left a lasting mark on education, social work, and religious life. After studying Buddhist philosophy in Japan, he advocated religious freedom in Vietnam before coming to France in 1973. Passionate about peace and intercultural dialogue, he founded Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry-Courcouronnes, a living symbol of Buddhism's presence in Europe.

Thích Quảng Đạo's humanitarian mission

Thích Minh Tâm's legacy continues through his disciples, particularly his successor Thích Quảng Đạo. He received two important honors: the Senate's medal of honor, presented on January 13, 2024, by Senator Jean-Raymond Hugonet, and a National Assembly medal, presented on May 27, 2025, by Member of Parliament Nathalie Da Conceicao Carvalho. These recognize his constant efforts toward solidarity, intercultural dialogue, and support for vulnerable people.

His journey began in Vietnam and continued in France from 1981. As abbot of Khánh Anh, he works for social peace, solidarity, and community cohesion. National recognition of his actions demonstrates their impact within French society.

A living heritage for French society

The tribute to Thích Minh Tâm and the honors awarded to Thích Quảng Đạo express the vitality of a spiritual heritage founded on solidarity, mutual respect, and diversity. They strengthen Buddhism's place in French culture as a force for peace, dialogue, and fraternity.

These initiatives bring together remembrance of the past and action in the present to build a harmonious future and a richer, more inclusive shared life. Évry-Courcouronnes thus affirms its attachment to diversity and spirituality as forces of social unity.

The German version also concludes that these events show how Buddhism in France is increasingly recognized as a living force for peace, understanding, and humanitarian action. They honor individuals but also express the success of intercultural coexistence and the common search for a respectful shared life.

Captions: final teachings and photographs of the masters at the twenty-fifth European Dharma seminar, July 26-August 4, 2013, in Turku, Finland; photographs of the honors presented to Thích Quảng Đạo.

Renaming part of Rue François Mauriac

Original page 12. Legal Department - Mayor's report. This text appears in French in the original.

By letter dated September 9, 2025, the Khánh Anh Buddhist Association requested that the municipality name a road after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm, in connection with the completion of renovation work in the Parc aux Lièvres neighborhood, particularly around the pagoda.

Inaugurated by the Dalai Lama in 2008, Khánh Anh Pagoda is the largest Buddhist temple in Europe.

Schools, associations, and Buddhist and non-Buddhist groups regularly visit it, particularly during Heritage Days. It also hosts seminars, conferences, and artistic and social activities.

It houses the headquarters of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Congregation in Europe.

The Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm was a Buddhist monk born in 1938 who died in 2013. He founded Khánh Anh pagodas in France, including the one in Évry. His portrait is displayed in the room devoted to contemplation and remembrance of deceased devotees. His personal belongings, necklace, fan, robe, and headwear are exhibited alongside traditional votive offerings.

The municipality proposed to the association that the section of Rue François Mauriac, a public road surrounding the parking area and providing access to the pagoda, be renamed “Rue du Très Vénérable Thích Minh Tâm,” in accordance with the attached plan.

Only the pagoda's address would need to change, since no other building is located on this section of road. The association was informed of the address change and its consequences and accepted the modification.

It is therefore proposed that the part of Rue François Mauriac surrounding the entire parking area, beginning at its entrance, be renamed in accordance with the plan attached to the report and resolution.

The municipal council is asked to approve this change.

Translation note: the municipal report reproduced in the newsletter gives 1938 as the birth year; the biography gives 1940. This inconsistency in the original has been retained.

Draft resolution of December 11, 2025

Original page 13. Translated from the French text reproduced in the newsletter.

Having regard to the General Code of Local Authorities, particularly Articles L. 2121-30, L. 2213-28, and R. 2512-8;

Having regard to the Code governing Relations between the Public and the Administration, particularly Article L. 321-4 concerning the availability, from January 1, 2024, of data on street and locality names and the numbering of houses and other buildings;

Having regard to Law No. 2022-217 of February 21, 2022, on differentiation, decentralization, deconcentration, and various measures simplifying local public action, known as the 3DS Law, particularly Article 169 amending Article L. 2121-30 of the General Code of Local Authorities;

Having regard to Decree No. 2023-767 of August 11, 2023, concerning municipalities' provision of data on street names and the numbering of houses and other buildings;

Having regard to the Khánh Anh Buddhist Association's letter of September 9 requesting that a road be named after the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm;

Having regard to the attached location plan, the municipal budget, the Mayor's report, and the opinion of the committee preparing the municipal council meeting, dated December 1, 2025;

Considering that Khánh Anh Pagoda is the largest in Europe and contributes to the municipality's national and international standing;

Considering the association's request in connection with the completion of work in the Parc aux Lièvres neighborhood;

Considering the possibility of renaming the public road section surrounding the parking area and providing access to the pagoda;

Considering that the pagoda is the only building with an address on this road section and that the association has confirmed its agreement to change the address;

The municipal council, having deliberated:

- Declares that the portion of Rue François Mauriac surrounding the parking area and identified on the attached plan is renamed “Rue du Très Vénérable Thích Minh Tâm.”
- Declares that postal numbering will be determined by an order of the Mayor.
- Declares that the municipality will supply and install street signs and numbers.
- Declares that a copy of the resolution will be sent to the relevant administrations, public services, and other persons.
- Authorizes the Mayor, a deputy mayor, or a municipal councilor with the relevant delegated authority to sign any document relating to this naming.

Commemoration of the Most Venerable Thích Thắng Hoan

Original page 14.

We respectfully announce the major memorial ceremony for the Most Venerable Thích Thắng Hoan.

Venue: Quang Thiện Pagoda, 704 East E Street, Ontario, CA 91764, United States.

Date: Sunday, January 18, 2026, at 10 a.m.

Why give his name to the ordination assembly?

To uphold the spirit of study and practice and his example of service to the Dharma, and to help candidates receive precepts with purity of body and mind, cultivate merit and wisdom, and practice diligently, the overseas Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church chose this great teacher's name for the Thắng Hoan ordination assembly, held on August 23, 2025, in Southern California.

The Most Venerable Thích Thắng Hoan was born in 1928, the year Kỷ Tỵ, in Cần Thơ, southern Vietnam.

At eight, his parents entrusted him to the Most Venerable Đắc Ngộ Tường Minh at Hội Thắng Pagoda, Châu Diên village, Cầu Kè district, Vĩnh Bình province.

At eighteen, in 1946, he received novice precepts from the Most Venerable Thích Hoàn Thông at Hội Thắng Pagoda. That year, his teacher recommended him to the Most Venerable Thích Thiện Hoa, head of studies at Nam Việt Ấn Quang Buddhist School in Chợ Lớn, Saigon. He was accepted into the community and continued his studies there.

In 1953, his teacher allowed him to receive full ordination at the school. In 1957, he completed its intermediate course and, at the end of that year, continued advanced studies at the Central Buddhist Institute in Nha Trang. He completed that course in 1962 and obtained a Bachelor of Arts at Vạn Hạnh University in 1970.

In early 1963, he became head of studies at the Biên Hòa Buddhist Institute and taught at the city's Trí Đức School.

From 1964 to 1975, he taught at the Dharma Propagation Institute in Saigon, represented the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam in Districts 5 and 10, and headed its finance department. He also taught at Bồ Đề Nguyễn Văn Khuê and Giác Ngộ secondary schools, and at specialized Buddhist schools in Dược Sư, Từ Nghiêm, Hoa Quang, Huê Lâm, Từ Thiện, and Giác Sanh pagodas in Saigon, and Phổ Đức and Phật Ân pagodas in Mỹ Tho.

In 1980, he opened intermediate Buddhist classes at Giác Sanh, Giác Ngộ, and Bồ Đề Lan Nhã pagodas, as well as special courses in Consciousness-Only philosophy for students at Phú Thọ Polytechnic and Vạn Hạnh teacher-training institutions.

In 1982, he left Vietnam by sea. In 1983, he settled in the United States at Most Venerable Thích Mãn Giác's Việt Nam Pagoda in Los Angeles. He was appointed deputy head and director of Dharma propagation within the Vietnamese Buddhist organization in the United States.

In 1984, he became spiritual leader of Việt Nam Pagoda in Arizona. In 1985, he organized a Dharma propagation congress in Denver, Colorado.

In 1988, he became an instructing master at Kim Sơn Monastery. He taught in several states and established Consciousness-Only study groups, particularly in Santa Ana, San Jose, San Diego, and Kim Sơn.

In 1992, at the first congress of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in the United States, held in San Jose, he was appointed Vice-President for intercontinental relations. He helped establish the Church in Canada, where its congress conferred on him the title Most Venerable, also recognized in the United States at that time.

In 1993, he withdrew to Hải Ngạn Hermitage on the Pacific coast to write books and translate sutras.

In 1996, he became President of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Canada, a position he held until 2000. After stepping down, he joined its Council of Elder Witnesses.

From 1999 until his death, he served on the Council of Elder Witnesses of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Australia and New Zealand.

From 2000 to 2005, he regularly taught Consciousness-Only philosophy to students at the International Buddhist Institute. In later years, he also taught at the annual European seminars.

In 2004, he became a member of the Council of Elders of the Patriarch's Institute in Vietnam and chief of staff of the overseas Church's Council of Dignitaries at Office II of the Dharma Propagation Institute.

On January 12, 2008, when the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in the United States was established, he was appointed chief of staff of its Council of Dignitaries. On December 28, he was invited to join the intercontinental organization's Council of Elder Witnesses.

At the end of 2008, the Church's needs brought him to Sacramento, California.

In 2013, during the seventh Return to the Roots gathering at Cổ Lâm Pagoda in Seattle, he was appointed head of the overseas monks' and nuns' coordinating body. From 2008 to 2013, he fulfilled the three positions entrusted to him with clarity and dedication despite his advanced age.

From 2014 to 2018, despite declining health, he continued responding to the Churches' invitations and attending ordination assemblies and retreats in Europe, Australia, the United States, and Canada.

In February 2023, the Central Council of Elders and the Patriarch's Institute of the Unified Buddhist Church of Vietnam invited him to assume the highest position as head of the Sangha, symbolizing the monastic community's purity and harmony.

On the fifteenth day of the twelfth month of the year Quý Mão, January 25, 2024, at 6:50 a.m., he passed away peacefully. The newsletter records 97 years of life and 72 summer retreats.

After many years of service in Vietnam and forty years abroad, he had dedicated his life to one path: spreading the Dharma and helping living beings, sharing the Buddha's teachings even in small, distant towns.

His life embodied bodhisattva practice: "Where the Dharma needs me, I come; where living beings need me, I go, without fearing difficulties or refusing hardship." He has departed, but his example will continue illuminating the path for many generations of practitioners.

Note: the birth year and age given in this notice do not agree. Both are retained from the original and require editorial verification.

Appeal for the main hall of Trúc Lâm Pagoda in Malmö

Original page 15. July 10, 2025.

Homage to our fundamental teacher, Śākyamuni Buddha.

Respectfully addressed to the venerable members of the Sangha, devotees, compatriots, and benefactors near and far.

Trúc Lâm Pagoda, cherished by Malmö's Buddhist community, has been present for more than thirty-five years. It is a spiritual refuge for generations of Vietnamese people living far from their homeland, a place of moral education and preservation of Vietnamese culture, spreading compassion and wisdom in the heart of Europe.

Yet throughout those years, the pagoda has lacked a proper main hall for ceremonies, sutra recitation, and the practice of monks, nuns, and devotees. This spiritual need has led us to undertake this project. The Most Venerable Tâm Huệ, abbot and respected educator, who is not accustomed to fundraising appeals, has entrusted us with seeking the necessary support.

The project provides for a **500-square-meter hall**, with an estimated budget of **€1,000,000**.

This construction has great spiritual, cultural, and community significance and marks a new stage for Vietnamese Buddhism in Sweden. We respectfully seek the support of the venerable Sangha and invite devotees, compatriots, and generous people in Sweden and abroad to contribute to this place dedicated to the Three Jewels.

We propose donations “by the square meter”: each square meter represents €2,000. Everyone may offer one square meter, several, or a fraction according to their means. The donors' list will be respectfully preserved, and the merits dedicated to each donor and their family.

Every square meter offered today will form a strong foundation for tomorrow's pagoda, where our children will continue Buddhist traditions, learn to live with kindness, and maintain a connection with their roots.

Recipient: Trúc Lâm Pagoda, Malmö, Sweden.

Address: HÅLTEGELVÄGEN 1, 238 39 OXIE, SWEDEN.

Account holder: VIETNAMESISKA BUDDHISTISKA KULTURFÖR.

Bank: SWEDBANK. Swedish account: 821499735666183.

International transfers: BIC/SWIFT SWEDSESS; IBAN SE0980000821499735666183.

Reference: “Cúng dường xây chánh điện” - Donation for construction of the main hall.

May the Three Jewels protect you, grant peace of body and mind, fulfill your aspirations, and bring immeasurable merit.

Homage to the great Bodhisattva of the Forest of Merit.

Most Venerable Thích Tâm Huệ, head of Vô Lượng Thọ Monastery and abbot of Trúc Lâm.
Authority delegated to Venerable Bhikṣu Thích Hạnh Tân.

Appeal for support No. 3 - Vạn Hạnh Pagoda

Original pages 16-17.

Homage to Amitābha Buddha. Homage to Avalokiteśvara Bodhisattva of great loving-kindness and great compassion.

Dear venerable monks and nuns, dear Buddhist friends and devotees,

Following Ullambana, Heritage Days, and the Mid-Autumn Festival, shared photographs have allowed everyone to see progress on the Garden of Serenity, “The Three Saints of the West,” and the two columns of the ceremonial pavilion. This place is intended to become a pure, dignified, welcoming spiritual setting for everyone.

We are currently constructing the pavilion's main roofs. Artisans and devotees work devotedly on every detail: traditional architectural elements, roof curves and ridges, laying tiles, panels, moldings, ornaments, and parallel inscriptions. Everything is undertaken in service to the Three Jewels to create a harmonious, solid, dignified whole.

Every brick, every movement, and every drop of sweat is filled with spirituality and humanity. They are the fruit of the sincerity and awakening mind of many hearts united in building.

This materially modest project has great spiritual meaning. Everyone will be able to honor the Three Saints, contemplate before Avalokiteśvara, messenger of transcendent wisdom and infinite compassion, and remember loved ones who have passed away. It will nurture confidence and the aspiration to goodness.

With the wish to extend the light of compassion and wisdom of the Buddhas and bodhisattvas, I send this third appeal. May venerable monastics and devotees near and far lend their energy to help bring the project to a happy completion.

Every contribution, a brick, a drop of water, or a sincere prayer, is a seed of merit planted in the Three Jewels' field of blessings, a lasting testimony to generosity.

I bow in gratitude and express these wishes:

- For monks and nuns: peace, good health, and the full accomplishment of Dharma activities.
- For devotees and their families: joy of body and mind, firmness of the awakening mind, fulfillment of aspirations, and the joint development of merit and wisdom.

In service to the Three Jewels, Bhikṣu Thích Nguyễn Lộc.

Donations: ACBO Pagode VAN HẠNH. IBAN: FR76 1027 8361 3400 0120 1930 195. BIC: CMCIFR2A.

Address: PAGODE VAN HẠNH, 3 rue du Souvenir Français, 44800 Saint-Herblain, France.
Telephone: +33 6 52 44 74 48.

Vạn Hạnh activities in 2026

Published date	Activity
Sunday, February 8	End-of-year observance; collective remembrance of the deceased honored at the pagoda
Monday, February 16	New Year's Eve ceremony
Tuesday, February 17-Saturday, February 21	Tết Bính Ngọ, Year of the Horse: first through fifth days
Sunday, February 22	Vegetarian meal and New Year performance
Sunday, March 1	First full-moon festival, Thượng Nguyên
Saturday, March 14-Sunday, March 15	Eight Precepts retreat; teaching by Thích Hạnh Tân
Saturday, April 18-Sunday, April 19	Eight Precepts retreat and release of animals, guided by Thích Hoàng Khai
Sunday, May 17	Great celebration of the Buddha's birth, Vesak
July 20-29	Thirty-seventh European Dharma seminar in Marseille
Sunday, September 6	Great Ullambana / Vu Lan celebration
Saturday, September 19-Sunday, September 20	Heritage Days and Mid-Autumn Festival
Saturday, November 21-Sunday, November 22	Eight Precepts retreat; Thích Hoàng Khai
Saturday, December 19-Sunday, December 20	Eight Precepts retreat; Thích Hạnh Tân

Dates follow this table. Detailed announcements for the seminar give July 21-30.

Reflections on a ten-day winter retreat

Original page 18. Bhikṣu Thích Thắng Lý, December 19, 2025.

I had the good fortune to attend Khánh Anh's winter retreat in France through the guidance of Venerable Quảng Đạo, a teacher I respect. From our first meeting, his kind gaze and quiet smile conveyed profound peace, like the call of spiritual kinship reaching across countless lives.

According to the program he shared, the retreat took place from December 8 to 17, 2025, under the guidance and teachings of Europe's venerable monks and nuns, organized by the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe. Amid the European cold, the monastery's spiritual fellowship was warm, quiet, and deep.

Thanks to the pagoda's thoughtful arrangements, from my arrival in this country throughout my stay at the monastery, every step was imbued with mindfulness and monastic dignity. Being able to greet and spend time with the venerables, particularly the two elders serving as First and Second Presidents, filled my heart with pure respect, light as a cloud yet deep as a still sea.

Throughout the retreat, early-morning practice, sutra recitation, meditation, and daily activities nourished my wisdom through the masters' example and words. I learned about the pure life, the spirit of discipline, and the monk's aspiration to propagate the Dharma. Their unobtrusive but profound teachings, like dew on morning grass, became precious provisions for my practice.

I was particularly touched by the Six Harmonies lived by the community in every meal and quiet task. Despite the effort, smiles remained, eyes stayed kind, and fellowship permeated every small gesture. Dharma discussions and meditation over tea allowed us to listen, contemplate, and share: few words, but deep meaning and great brotherly affection.

With the retreat concluded, its images remain engraved in my heart. The compassionate eyes, peaceful smiles, and sincere teachings continue to resonate and support my steps. Without presuming to assess the masters' spiritual attainments, I perceive in them an energy of peace and kindness beyond words and concepts.

As I leave Khánh Anh, I bow and deeply thank the elders, the abbot, and all the monks and nuns. I vow to take what I have learned as provisions for my journey, to practice diligently, preserve pure conduct, and continue spreading the Dharma, so as not to betray the kindness of their guidance.

Form: prayers for peace and protection at the start of the Year of the Horse

Original page 19. Khánh Anh, 8 rue François Mauriac, 91000 Évry-Courcouronnes. Telephone: +33 1 64 93 55 56 / +33 7 70 07 33 99; thichquangdao@khanhanh.fr.

Devotee's name: **Buddhist name:**

Current address:

On the fifteenth day of the first lunar month of Bính Ngọ 2026, I sincerely offer a donation to the Three Jewels and request prayers for peace and protection for myself, my parents, siblings, relatives, and family members named below.

For an abbreviated request, write: "For myself and my entire family."

Full name / Buddhist name / age:

Donation amount: €

The names sent to the pagoda will be read during the services. Select the appropriate option:

- Reading at the opening of the Universal Gate Chapter recitation, Wednesday, February 18, 2026, at 3 p.m., the second day of the first lunar month. Recitation every afternoon from Monday, February 23, through Saturday, February 28.
- Reading on Tuesday, March 3, 2026, the full-moon day of the first month, at 10:30 a.m.
- Reading at the opening of the Medicine Buddha ceremonies, Sunday, March 1, 2026, at 3 p.m. Recitation every afternoon from Monday, March 2, through Saturday, March 7.
- Reading on Sunday, March 8, 2026, at 10:30 a.m., during the communal celebration of the first full moon.
- I cannot attend: please ask the monks and nuns to read the names at a suitable time during the Medicine Buddha ceremonies.

Offering forms

Original page 20.

Śākyamuni Buddha statues on either side of the main hall

Name / address / telephone / Buddhist name:

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Voluntary donation: € ; or offering of one statue at **€250**, with a name inscribed beneath it.

Dedication of merit for the peace of: ; or for the repose and liberation of:

Avalokiteśvara statues in the Quan Âm tower

Name / address / telephone / Buddhist name:

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Voluntary donation: € ; or offering of one statue at **€70**, with a name inscribed beneath it.

Dedication for the peace of: ; or for deceased loved ones:

Medicine Buddha ceremonies

Name / address / telephone / Buddhist name:

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Offering toward the ceremonies: €

Prayers for the peace of: ; for the deceased:

Rice support for the thirty-seventh European Dharma seminar

Name / Buddhist name / address:

I contribute € for sacks of rice. Total: €

Account holder: Association Bouddhique KHANH ANH; Société Générale; account 00037286040; IBAN **FR76 3000 3015 7900 0372 8604 078**; BIC **SOGEFRPP**.

Registration form for the thirty-seventh European seminar

Original page 21. Lycée La Cadenelle, 134 boulevard des Libérateurs, 13012 Marseille. July 21-30, 2026.

To assist the administrative team, **complete one form per participant**, including when several family members register. Those registering through the Buddhist Family organization, GĐPT, should apply through their usual local unit.

Full name: **Buddhist name:**

Sex: female / male. **Date of birth:**

Requested class: Oanh Vũ - children; 1a - young people; 1b - advanced young people; 2a - adult beginners; 2b - French speakers; 3 - adults who have attended several times; 4 - monastics only.

Previous attendance at a European seminar: yes / first time. If yes, seminar number and year:

Service during the seminar: order and organization / washing dishes / cleaning / serving meals / meal preparation. Indicate team 1, 2, or 3. Exemption is available only for participants aged 70 and over.

Fees: general rate €180; GĐPT €120; Oanh Vũ children aged 4-12 €50.

Requests: taking refuge and receiving the Five Precepts / bodhisattva precepts.

Address / telephone / email:

Another family member already registered / country:

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Fees paid: € ; **seminar donation:** € ; **offering to monastics:** € ; **rice donation:** €

For the accommodation team: arrival date and time, airport or station, flight or train reference; departure date and time, airport or station, flight or train reference.

Bring: a sleeping bag, toiletries, notebook, and pen. Participants are particularly asked to obtain travel insurance this year. Bring comfortable clothing and a practice robe for ceremonies and monastic meals.

Complete the form and send it to Venerable Thích Quảng Đạo at the great Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry: +33 7 70 07 33 99; thichquangdao@khanhanh.fr. Other contacts: nun Thích Nữ Quảng Trăm, Khánh Anh mother pagoda, +33 6 09 09 01 19; Thích Thiện Toàn, +33 7 49 72 88 78; Thích Chân Đàn, +49 179 1282186. Online registration is also offered through the QR code in the original.

Appeal for support through a rice donation

Original page 22. Évry-Courcouronnes, January 6, 2026. Thích Quảng Đạo, head of the organizing committee.

Homage to the Bodhisattva of the Forest of Merit, witness to the assembly.

Respectfully addressed to teachers, monasteries, pagodas, associations, businesses, Buddhist participants, and compatriots.

According to the tradition of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe, a Dharma study and practice seminar is held each year during the July holidays, incorporating a ten-day summer retreat for monks and nuns. This year it will take place in Marseille, July 21-30, 2026.

During the lifetime of the Most Venerable Thích Minh Tâm, various means were employed to ensure the seminars' success. These included an appeal to monasteries and devotees to offer a sack of rice at a symbolic value of **€35**, so that the organizing committee would not end the seminar with a deficit.

We invite everyone to contribute voluntarily toward a sack of rice and share this responsibility. We hope for your generous support.

May the Three Jewels protect you and grant peace and joy throughout Bính Ngọ 2026.

Donation form: full name, Buddhist name, address, telephone, email; amount in euros and number of sacks of rice. Transfer to Association Bouddhique KHANH ANH, Société Générale, account 00037286040; IBAN FR76 3000 3015 7900 0372 8604 078; BIC SOGEFRPP.

Message to devotees, original page 3: thank you to everyone near and far who has offered donations to the Three Jewels and supported the Sangha. In France, elsewhere in Europe, and beyond, solidarity loans, offerings for the pagoda, sutra printing, and other contributions may be sent directly from your bank or post office to the Khánh Anh account above.

Information notice No. 3: the European seminar in Marseille

Original pages 23-24. Évry-Courcouronnes, January 6, 2026; the French version is dated January 5.

Homage to our fundamental teacher, Śākyamuni Buddha.

Dear venerable monks and nuns, dear compatriots, friends, and devotees,

As humanity enters a new year of 365 days, on behalf of the Executive Council of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe, we wish all teachers, monks, and nuns peace and the full accomplishment of their Dharma activities. We wish all compatriots and devotees health and prosperity in the protective light of the Buddhas, bodhisattvas, and wise members of the Sangha.

Before the beginning of 2026, Europe's monastics spent ten days in winter retreat, December 8-17, 2025, at the great Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry-Courcouronnes. One hundred and twenty monks and nuns lived the Six Harmonies together in joy, purity, and peace. During that retreat, the Executive Council established the local organizing committee for the thirty-seventh European seminar in 2026. European monastery heads unanimously pledged support in every area to ensure its success.

As announced in the two previous notices, the seminar will be held at Lycée La Cadenelle in Marseille, a city renowned for its mountain and sea landscapes and its attractions for visitors.

Organizing committee

Under the guidance of the senior leaders of the Executive Council:

- Adviser: Thích Nguyên Lộc.
- Head: Thích Quảng Đạo.
- Deputy heads: Thích Hạnh Quang and nun Thích Diệu Trăm.
- Setup and reception: adviser Thích Nguyên Lộc; coordinators Thích Hạnh Ân, Thích Quảng Ân, and Thích Thiện Toàn.
- Accommodation: Thích Viên Tịnh and Thích Tâm Nhật.
- Administration: Thích Diệu Trăm, Thích Hạnh Bốn, Thích Thiện Toàn, Thích Chân Đàn, lay devotee Hiền Tâm, and members of the Buddhist Family organization in Germany.
- Transportation: Thích Hạnh Quang will coordinate Marseille volunteers.
- Meals: Thích Quảng Đạo will coordinate pagodas and volunteers.
- Food supplies: devotees Hoàng - Diệu Trang and Thế - Diệu Dung in Marseille.

Other teams will be completed later.

Dates and participation

- Tuesday, July 21, 2026: arrival and welcome of monks, nuns, and participants.
- Wednesday, July 22: opening ceremony.
- Wednesday, July 29: closing ceremony.

- Thursday, July 30: departure and return home.

The monastics' ten-day summer retreat is integrated into the seminar.

Fees: €180 at the general rate; €120 for the Buddhist Family organization; €50 for children aged 4-12. The Congregation also requests rice donations valued at €35 per sack.

Participants wishing to visit Marseille may arrive a few days early or remain after the seminar.

Travel directions published in the newsletter

From Marseille-Provence Airport, take bus No. 91, “Marseille St Charles Aéroport,” to Marseille-Saint-Charles Station. From the station, take metro line M1 toward La Fourragère to its terminus, then bus No. 10 to “Les Libérateurs.”

To ensure the seminar's full success, we invite monks, nuns, and devotees to set aside ten days now to attend.

Approximately a month and a half of the lunar year remains before Ất Tỵ ends and Tết Bính Ngọ arrives. The Council wishes every monastery a successful conclusion to its year-end and New Year activities and extends boundless wishes for peace and happiness to all monastics, compatriots, and devotees.

Homage to the great Bodhisattva of the Treasury of Joy.

For the Executive Council and the organization of the thirty-seventh seminar: First President Thích Tánh Thiệt and Second President Thích Như Điển.

Vegetarian fundraising meal at Khánh Anh

Original page 25. December 21, 2025. Giới Minh.

After the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe's ten-day winter retreat at Khánh Anh, December 8-17, 2025, attended by one hundred and twenty monastics from four continents, abbot Thích Quảng Đạo and the pagoda's monastics and devotees immediately began organizing a vegetarian fundraising meal. It was successfully held on December 21, from noon until after 3:30 p.m.

The proximity of Christmas, the start of two weeks of school holidays, and many families' departures on vacation explain why attendance was lower than expected. Continuous rain from morning to evening also discouraged some elderly people from going out.

Families had nevertheless come to the main hall for prayers for deceased relatives. After the service, everyone joined the dining hall: more than one hundred and fifty people were counted. Thích Như Điển, Second President of the Executive Council, representing the Church, was invited to speak, as was Mr. Karl Dirat, Mayor of Villabé.

The friendly meal was followed by performances from the Quảng Đức Buddhist Family, the Johnny and Em dance troupe, and independent singers from Paris. Sales of takeaway vegetarian food and donations collected in the main hall and performance room raised **€10,000** for the thirty-seventh European seminar in Marseille.

This reduces the organizing committee's burden: hiring the venue costs **€80,000**, while participant fees will remain close to previous years' rates: €180 for adults, €120 for young people and Buddhist Family members, and €50 for Oanh Vũ children.

Two further gatherings are organized by Marseille's Buddhist community: December 25, 2025, at New Saigon restaurant, 58 rue Guillaume-du-Vair, 13290 Aix-les-Milles; and March 1, 2026, at Espace Arena, 32 boulevard Frédéric-Sauvage, 13014 Marseille.

We invite devotees in Marseille and nearby areas to help make these activities a success, and sincerely thank all devotees and artists from Paris who made the Sunday, December 21 collection possible.

Homage to the great Bodhisattva of the Forest of Merit.

Fundraising evening at New Saigon restaurant

Original page 26. Aix-les-Milles, December 25, 2025.

Homage to the Bodhisattva of the Forest of Merit.

Dear venerable teachers, dear devotees,

Several years ago, Thích Quảng Đạo, abbot of Khánh Anh, expressed the wish to organize the European Dharma seminar in Marseille. After several visits to Lycée La Cadenelle in the twelfth district, the Executive Council's leaders decided to rent the school for the thirty-seventh seminar, July 21-30, 2026.

Marseille's devotees are honored to host this important event bringing together monastics and laypeople from France, Europe, and perhaps the United States, Canada, and Australia. Knowing the high rental cost, they enthusiastically organized two fundraising evenings: December 25, 2025, at New Saigon in Aix-les-Milles, and March 1, 2026, at Espace Arena in Marseille's fourteenth district.

They planned programs, held meetings, and prepared vegetarian dishes for sale, hoping to share the Congregation's financial burden.

The Christmas evening at Mr. and Mrs. Nay's restaurant was joyful and warm, attended by people from Marseille, neighboring areas, and even Nice. Also present were nun Giác Từ, abbess of Pháp Hoa in Marseille; Thích Quảng Tài of Từ Quang in Nice; and Thích Hạnh Quang, abbot of Trúc Lâm in Marseille.

Participants watched a video introducing the seminar and heard messages of thanks from First President Thích Tánh Thiệt, Second President Thích Như Điển, and Thích Quảng Đạo. With a better understanding of the seminar and the evening's purpose, they gave generously. The collection reached **€10,850**.

The Church's dignitaries thank Marseille's devotees, Mr. and Mrs. Nay and the restaurant team, the Amin Phúc band, singers, and volunteers who prepared vegetarian food. Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed.

We hope for your support at the next Bính Ngọ New Year evening, March 1, 2026, at Espace Arena, 32 boulevard Frédéric-Sauvage, 13014 Marseille. We wish you and your families health, peace, prosperity, and happiness for the end of 2025 and the new year 2026.

Marseille's devotees will joyfully welcome teachers and participants from around the world at Lycée La Cadenelle, July 21-30, 2026. We hope you will arrange your holidays to reserve these ten days and attend in large numbers, with dignity and the strength of the Dharma.

Participants in the winter retreat

Original pages 27-28. Announced as a preliminary list. Retreat held December 8-17, 2025, at Khánh Anh in Évry-Courcouronnes.

Titles retain their Vietnamese abbreviations: HT - Hòa thượng, Most Venerable; TT - Thượng tọa, Venerable; ĐĐ - Đại đức, fully ordained monk; NT - Ni trưởng, senior elder nun; NS - Ni sư, senior nun; SC - Sư cô, nun; TX - Thức xoa, female trainee for full ordination; SD - Sa di, novice monk; SD Ni - novice nun. Personal names are not translated.

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Thiện Minh : HT Thích Tánh Thiết ; NS Thích Nữ Nhất Nguyễn.

Quảng Đức : HT Thích Thông Trí ; ĐĐ Thích Nguyên Tuệ.

Vạn Hạnh : HT Thích Nguyên Lộc.

Khánh Anh : TT Thích Quảng Đạo ; TT Thích Minh Tánh ; TT Thích Nhuận Hương ; ĐĐ Thích Thiện Toàn ; ĐĐ Thích Quảng Bửu ; ĐĐ Thích Vạn Tấn ; NS Thích Nữ Diệu Trăm ; SC Thích Nữ Tịnh Mẫn ; SC Thích Nữ Minh Phước ; SC Thích Nữ Thông Quang ; SC Thích Nữ Thông Bình ; SC Thích Nữ Thiện Chân ; SC Thích Nữ Viên Hòa ; SC Thích Nữ Diệu Hòa ; SC Thích Nữ Hằng Đạt ; SC Thích Nữ Thông Thịnh ; SC Thích Nữ Khánh Đức ; SC Thích Nữ Nhuận Phúc.

Monastery Gyudmed : TT Geshe Tharchin Lobsang.

International Buddhist Center, Le Bourget : HT Thích Chandarata ; HT Thích Gnanānanda Thera ; ĐĐ Thích Rahula Thera ; ĐĐ Thích Sugathasiri Thera.

Terre du Cœur Association / Gyuto Tibetan Monastery : HT Geshe Tenzin Penpa.

Liên Hoa : TT Thích Quảng Viên ; ĐĐ Thích Quảng Thành.

Phổ Hiền : NS Thích Nữ Như Quang ; SC Thích Nữ Nhuận Lương.

Monastery Linh Sơn : TT Thích Trí Thuyên ; NS Thích Nữ Linh Bích ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Không ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Pháp ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Tuệ ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Văn ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Diệu ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Đức ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Nghĩa ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Tâm ; SC Thích Nữ Diệu Nhất ; TX Thích Nữ Thiện Nghiêm.

Tịnh Tâm : ĐĐ Thích Hạnh Đăng ; ĐĐ Thích Trung Mật.

Linh Sơn : NS Thích Nữ Trí Anh.

Tịnh Độ : NS Thích Nữ Huệ Thiện ; NS Thích Nữ Huệ Nguyệt ; SC Thích Nữ Lệ Trang ; SD Ni Thích Nữ Nguyên Nhật ; TX Thích Nữ Thiện Âm.

Monastery Làng Hồng : NS Thích Nữ Phùng Nghiêm.

Hhermitage : NS Thích Nữ Thanh Nghiêm ; SC Thích Nữ Quảng Nguyên.

Ngọc Điểm : SC Thích Nữ Trung Liên ; SC Thích Nữ Như Ngọc.

Trúc Lâm : ĐĐ Thích Hạnh Quang.

Quan Âm, Paris : SC Thích Nữ Từ Thanh.

Từ Quang : SD Thích Xương Đạo.

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Viên Giác : HT Thích Như Điển ; TT Thích Hạnh Định ; ĐĐ Thích Trung Thành.

Monastery Viên Đức : TT Thích Hạnh Vân ; ĐĐ Thích Hạnh Bốn.

Viên Âm : TT Thích Hạnh Hòa.

Từ Ân : TT Thích Từ Nhơn ; NS Thích Nữ Thọ Ngộ.

Phổ Đà : TT Thích Pháp Nhẫn.

Tâm Giác : ĐĐ Thích Trung Lưu ; NS Thích Nữ Thiện Châu ; SC Thích Nữ Như Nhẫn.

Linh Thú : NS Thích Nữ Huệ Thanh ; NS Thích Nữ Tuệ Đăng ; SC Thích Nữ Tuệ Âm ; SC Thích Nữ Tuệ Thiện ; TX Thích Nữ Tuệ Duyên.

Phật Huệ : TT Thích Thiện Chánh ; ĐĐ Thích Huệ Giác ; NS Thích Nữ Minh Nguyễn ; NS Thích Nữ Tịnh Trang ; SC Thích Nữ Liên Hội ; SC Thích Nữ Trung Hậu ; SC Thích Nữ Trung Dung.

Đại Bi : NS Thích Nữ Tịnh Nghiệp ; SC Thích Nữ Chân Đàn.

Monastery Pháp Duyên : NS Thích Nữ Huệ Liên.

Mother pagoda Bảo Quang : SC Thích Nữ Quang Huệ.

Viên Thông : SC Thích Nữ Minh Nghiêm.

Hermitage : SC Thích Nữ Xả Không.

Other countries

Switzerland - 4 : Trí Thủ : HT Thích Quảng Hiển, TT Thích Tâm Nhật ; Viên Minh : TT Thích Như Tú ; hermitage : SC Thích Nữ Viên Đàn.

Sweden - 7 : Trúc Lâm : HT Thích Tâm Huệ, TT Thích Từ Đức, TX Thích Nữ Quảng Pháp, TX Thích Nữ Quảng Như ; Phật Quang : ĐĐ Thích Thiện Tịnh ; Viên Dung : TT Thích Hạnh Ân ; hermitage : SC Thích Nữ Giác Mẫn.

Finland - 1 : Phúc Lâm : HT Thích Hạnh Thông.

Norway - 2 : Khuông Việt : HT Thích Hoàng Khai ; Tam Bảo : TT Thích Viên Tịnh.

Austria - 1 : Pháp Tạng : TT Thích Viên Dục.

Denmark - 3 : Quang Minh : TT Thích Chúc Thành, ĐĐ Thích Tâm Khánh ; Quan Thế Âm : NS Thích Nữ Hạnh Khánh.

Netherlands - 1 : Vạn Hạnh : ĐĐ Thích Hạnh Đức.

United States - 1 : Phước Bình : TT Thích Thông Lý.

Vietnam - 6 : TT Thích Huệ Phương ; TT Thích Đạt Ma Siêu Nguyên ; ĐĐ Thích Thiện Trì ; NT Thích Nữ Hạnh Như ; NT Thích Nữ Bích Châu ; NS Thích Nữ Nguyên Trọng.

Australia - 2 : monastery Minh Giác : TT Thích Hạnh Hiếu ; SD Thích Chúc Siêu.

Thailand - 1 : ĐĐ Thích Phước Tánh.

Published total: 120 monastics, comprising 11 Hòa thượng, 23 Thượng tọa, 19 Đại đức, 2 Ni trưởng, 17 Ni sư, 40 Sư cô, 5 Thức xoa, 2 Sa di, and 1 Sa di ni.

We have not yet been able to contact every monastery and hermitage. Devotees with available time are invited to join the monks and nuns for ten days, to study the Dharma together and support the winter retreat.

Please contact the great Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry and send your return flight or train tickets to assist with transfers and updating the participant list for December 8-17, 2025.

May the monastics enjoy peace in the Dharma, help living beings, and fully accomplish their Buddhist activities.

Évry-Courcouronnes, December 23, 2025. Bhikṣu Thích Quảng Đạo.

Boxed quotation: “You must light your own lamp and go forward. Take my Dharma as your lamp! Follow my Dharma to free yourselves. Do not seek liberation from someone else or in another place.”

The 2025 winter retreat at the great Khánh Anh Pagoda

Original pages 29-31. Notes by Thiện Như.

Each winter, Europe's cold seems to envelop everything in a veil of mist, mingling with the practitioners' breath as it becomes a delicate vapor. Within the great Khánh Anh Pagoda in France, near the capital of lights, the morning bell sounds once more, announcing the 2025 winter retreat.

This season has become a gathering for Europe's monks, nuns, and devotees. Despite their local responsibilities, monastics can come together for ten days to collect body and mind and cultivate discipline. The retreat is organized by the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe, December 8-17, 2025.

This year, under the guidance of two Most Venerable elders, it brings together one hundred and twenty monastics and more than eighty supporting devotees, most of whom have received lay bodhisattva precepts.

Alongside the ten-day summer retreat incorporated into the European Dharma seminar, the winter retreat has its own peaceful, solemn atmosphere.

In the sharp morning cold, the slow meditative steps of the two senior presidents through the pagoda's corridors warm the community's energy of practice. Recitation, wooden instruments, and bells merge into a stream of peace in our consciousness.

The ten days are carefully arranged by abbot Thích Quảng Đạo according to monastic rules. From 5:45 a.m. to 9 p.m., recitation, meditation, ritual meals, Dharma discussion, and teaching follow one another. Everything proceeds in accordance with discipline and with punctuality. The community lives in harmony and joy, each person performing tasks mindfully.

Following the two presidents' instructions, this retreat is particularly devoted to reciting the **Mahāratnakūṭa Sūtra**, the great Đại Bảo Tích scripture, comprising nine volumes in the edition used. The teachers wish to give abbots and monastics busy with local responsibilities the opportunity to recite it as a stream of Dharma nourishing the awakening mind. Every page voiced is an echo of the Buddha's words and the Sangha's shared breath, spreading loving-kindness and renewing the aspiration to help beings in the Mahāyāna spirit.

The Đại Bảo Tích Sūtra is a vast treasury of the Great Vehicle. It presents bodhisattva practice, going beyond views limited to the two vehicles, and applying the perfections to life. Wisdom and compassion are like two wings carrying consciousness from the shore of delusion to liberation.

Reciting together, monastics and devotees enter a peaceful forest of practice, both profound and intimate. Our fundamental teacher is present there; each verse is a landmark of return, and every chapter reminds us to light our own lamp and move forward.

Between recitations, venerable teachers offer Dharma discussions and teachings. Exchanges are harmonious, sincere, and open. Sometimes they touch on subtle questions between the Lesser and Great Vehicles, but they always explore how teachings apply to life: at work, in families, and in transforming afflictions and the karma we create. These reviews connect Buddhism with the present. Simple, profound teachings guide us toward the spirit of liberation transmitted for more than two millennia: seeing things as they are, releasing attachments, and developing kindness and insight.

The midday meal, with the monastics' saffron robes and mindfulness, is a special moment in temple life. The assembly eats silently, receiving every mouthful as a gift from benefactors. Phật Huệ Pagoda in Germany, Quang Minh in Denmark, and Thiện Minh, Phổ Hiền, and Khánh Anh in France help provide these simple meals. Silence expresses gratitude and turns the meal into meditation. The First President leads morning prostrations of gratitude to benefactors.

Between sessions, everyone sweeps the courtyard, cleans the main hall, and arranges the meditation room. They preserve the monastery's dignity and nurture spiritual fellowship, living together in one refuge and building harmony between the communities of monks and nuns. One Venerable confides: "Every year, I make an effort to attend, to pay respects to the elders and live in the Sangha's harmony. For I am a Vietnamese Buddhist monk abroad."

At dusk, the cold wind moves gently through the trees and the bell rings again. Evening recitation is a flame warming the day. Before rest, practitioners share tea with steady breathing; body and mind relax and agitation subsides. The silent night encourages deep listening: companions' footsteps express their presence, and each person hears the current of stillness within. I recall a poem by Mặc Nhiên:

"Burn a little mist within memory, Send it with the wind to the edge of the sky, Let the quiet soul contemplate its breath, An old meditation master, a shadow flying away."

The retreat also brings together spiritual companions, lay and monastic, from Europe, Australia, America, and Vietnam. Whatever their monastic seniority, everyone shares ten days of attentive living. Fellowship is nourished by listening and support in practice, kind smiles, the silent gesture of serving hot tea in winter, and respectful greetings in the dining hall each morning.

After every morning service, the teachers remind us of the importance of effort in practice. Faced with abundant information on social media, they encourage caution and respect for monastic deportment and precepts.

Second President Thích Như Điển quotes the parallel verses at Phước Hậu Pagoda in Trà Ôn: "Reading books of war brings fear of war; reading books of law brings fear of punishment; reading the Buddha's books brings fear of neither war nor punishment. Cultivating fields under the Tang brings fear of flooding; cultivating them under the Xia brings fear of drought; cultivating the field of the heart brings fear of neither."

During this retreat, the assembly also attended the local authorities' announcement on December 14, 2025, naming a neighboring street after Thích Minh Tâm.

On the last day, after confession, participants listened to Thích Quảng Hiền recite the bodhisattva precepts, then concluded the retreat in the main hall by dedicating merit to world peace and the happiness of all beings.

Candles, harmonious chanting, and a meditative atmosphere lighten hearts. Each person receives seeds of goodness, strengthens the awakening mind, broadens compassion, and renews faith for everyone's benefit.

The ten days end, but the energy of practice continues to spread. Returning to the temple, family, or work, each person maintains mindfulness and applies the teachings in life. The winter retreat is therefore more than an annual religious activity: it is a season of spiritual sowing, cultivating discipline, concentration, and wisdom in the heart of every messenger of the Buddha.

Amid the year-end rush, it offers a precious pause to reflect, renew oneself, and guide Buddhist activities. Through the masters' warmth and the Great Vehicle's light in the Đại Bảo Tích Sūtra, practitioners enter the new year with peace, compassion, and commitment to awakening. Each

winter becomes an opportunity to meet, support one another, and continue mindfulness together.

We look forward to meeting next winter, in 2026, at the Liên Hoa center in Norway, a cold country with warm hearts! May monastics enjoy good health and realize the path; may devotees advance with diligence and firmness.

Poem honoring Thích Minh Tâm

Original page 31. Minh Đạo, Finland, December 14, 2025.

“Khánh Anh's name shines in the heart of Europe, Virtue and altruism build a bridge. France records his name upon a road, Évry shines brightly for generations to come. Spreading the true Dharma without weariness, Teaching beings through the world's upheavals. A stretch of street retains the fragrance of a pure vow, The elder Minh Tâm's path endures.”

Impressions of a distant journey of practice

Original pages 32-34. Venerable Thích Hạnh Hiếu. Written at Khánh Anh on December 17, 2025.

After arriving in Paris, I took the train to Khánh Anh Pagoda in Évry-Courcouronnes, more than an hour from the capital. Thích Thiện Toàn met us at the station and brought us to the pagoda at around 7 p.m. On this first visit to France, everything was new and unfamiliar.

The metro, with its dense network, is a convenient means of transport for Parisians. The newsletter recalls that construction began in 1898 and gives its inauguration as July 9, 1900, describing it as one of the world's oldest networks.

We were warmly welcomed by Thích Thiện Toàn and particularly by the Most Venerable head of Viên Giác Pagoda in Hanover, Germany. With great gentleness and courtesy, he shook our hands and asked how we were, then led us to greet Khánh Anh's abbot and the First President of the Unified Vietnamese Buddhist Church in Europe. He asked the kitchen to prepare two dinners for my disciple and me, just arrived from Sydney.

This calm, warm, deeply humane welcome moved me greatly.

The ten-day winter retreat then shaped my reflections. The masters gave us opportunities to speak during discussions and teachings about Buddhism and its practice.

Khánh Anh deserves its designation as a great pagoda, with its majestic appearance and profoundly Vietnamese culture. Above all, it has an abbot devoted to the Dharma, attending to everything needed for one hundred and twenty monastics and eighty devotees: rooms, rest, and daily meals. His face always expresses compassion, simplicity, and harmony. I never saw irritation or dissatisfaction in him; a joyful smile remained, accompanied by concern for everyone.

Such gentle leadership enables the monks and nuns to work harmoniously and carefully. Each person is positive, joyful, approachable, friendly, and active, ensuring that distant visitors like us feel neither lost nor alienated.

The two senior presidents also demonstrate genuine spiritual leadership, understanding the younger monastics. They always speak with joy, smiles, simplicity, and sincerity.

This inspires an image: Buddhism's gardens are planted around the world, offering life beautiful colors and the fragrance of Dharma. In Australia, flowers and their fragrance have a distinct Australian flavor. Buddhist activities and works thus display both similarities and differences.

In France, monastics work for the Dharma in respect and harmony. They build a Church with a highly positive spirit and close, harmonious intergenerational exchange. I feel this through its two presidents' kindness and care.

Travel broadens understanding. On my first practice visit to France, I see that we share the same ideals and origins while adapting to the countries where we live. Vietnamese Buddhism in Europe therefore has its own characteristics.

During recitation of the sixth volume of the Đại Bảo Tích Sūtra, meditation, and the Śūraṅgama Sūtra in the Vietnamese tradition, discipline is accompanied by harmony and friendship. At meals from morning to evening, young and old choose from the simple dishes offered. All faces are joyful and the atmosphere peaceful, without irritation or agitation.

I see here the fruits of orderly practice and respect for schedules without reminders. If minds were disturbed, hearts unstable, and bodies uncomfortable, community practice and individual

peace would suffer. I am not seeking to praise simply because this is my first visit; I express what I directly experienced from December 8 to 17, 2025.

My greatest joy was First President Thích Tấnh Thiết's attention. Concerned that our distant origins might leave us feeling lost, he asked after us kindly, shook our hands, and welcomed us as equals in practice. From these teachers I learn compassion and love without borders.

The abbot, monastics, and devotees also deeply touched us by arranging a Paris visit, knowing we would leave immediately after the retreat. It was a discreet kindness that did not disrupt community activities. The abbot is joyful, attentive, not talkative but warm and always smiling. Those visiting for the first time understand how much peace this presence brings.

Thích Thông Lý, who came from the United States, shared the same impressions before the assembly and said he would gladly return for another European winter retreat.

Thank you to the monastics and devotees working in the kitchen, preparing and serving meals, and providing tea and refreshments. They fully met their responsibilities and maintained a joyful atmosphere despite the heat and work in the kitchen, throughout ten days and thirty meals.

Through their effort, support for the Dharma, and pure offerings, the entire community experienced peace and serenity at every moment. Despite Paris's cold, these ten days at Khánh Anh felt immensely warm.

Travel enables us to learn much, and learning is never excessive.

We sincerely thank the abbot for making our presence possible, and the teachers and devotees who enabled us to practice for ten days without worry. The journey was costly but precious and entirely worthwhile.

Our gratitude remains for these meaningful lessons: respect, harmony, gentleness, humanity, and courtesy.

Quảng Đức Buddhist Family program for 2026

Original page 34. The program may change according to the pagoda's activities.

Date	Activity
January 11 and 25	Regular activities
February 1 and 15	Regular activities
February 16	Vietnamese New Year's Eve
February 17	Tết: lion dance on the first day
February 22	Lion dance on the sixth day
March 1	Pilgrimage visits to pagodas around Paris
March 8	First full moon and New Year performance
March 22	Regular activities
April 4-6	Quan Âm gathering camp for Buddhist Families in France at Quảng Đức, Toulouse
April 19	Regular activities
May 10 and 24	Regular activities
June 7	Great celebration of the Buddha's birth, Buddhist year 2670
June 21	Regular activities
July 5	End-of-year outing
July 20-30	Thirty-seventh European Dharma seminar, Marseille
August 16	Vu Lan, festival of filial gratitude
September 6	Regular activities
September 13	Mid-Autumn Festival
September 19-20	European Heritage Days
September 27 and October 11	Regular activities

Parents wishing to enroll children in Vietnamese, arts, Buddhist learning, practical skills, and games are invited to contact the leaders for details: quanghung@gdptquangduc.fr; quanghung.dieuthong@gdptquangduc.fr; Diệu Thông Nguyễn Ngọc Dung Tuyền, +33 6 98 17 00 34; Quảng Hưng Đặng Thanh Lang, +33 6 84 92 80 08.

On behalf of the leaders, we wish all members and parents peace of body and mind.
Évry-Courcouronnes, January 12, 2026. Quảng Hưng - Đặng Thanh Lang, troop leader.

My first winter retreat in Paris

Original pages 35-36; the ending of the English version appears on page 5. Novice Thích Chúc Siêu, December 18, 2025.

My first winter retreat in Paris was a profound and transformative experience. Ten days felt both brief and almost eternal. As a young novice from Sydney, Australia, I brought with my robes quiet uncertainties, youthful restlessness, and a sincere aspiration to follow the Buddha's path. Paris, often associated with art, speed, and worldly beauty, became for me a sacred place of stillness, discipline, and inner growth.

From the first day, I felt embraced by the spiritual presence of the elders, monks, nuns, and lay devotees. Their compassion and wisdom were expressed in encouragement and in every mindful action, gently reminding us to attend to each step and our conduct. They were a living example of humility and nobility.

In their presence, I understood that the Sangha is not merely a group: it embodies the living Dharma. The elders are like great trees with deep roots, offering shelter, guidance, and discipline to young shoots like me.

The retreat lasted only ten days, but monastic life, firm and nurturing, provided an ideal framework for nourishing body and mind. Every bell, meditation period, recitation, and mindful task trained my body to act with awareness, my speech to remain truthful and restrained, and my mind to observe rather than react.

Rising before dawn in Paris's cold tested my physical comfort but strengthened my resolve. This discipline helped me see that comfort and discomfort are both impermanent, and that endurance can bring clarity.

One of its most meaningful aspects was the connection across generations and cultures. Although far from my Australian monastery, I never felt like a stranger. Teachers and monastics treated me as part of their family.

Despite their busy lives, devotees came from different parts of Europe to offer meals, listen to teachings, and support the retreat with devotion. Their faith reminded me that monastic life does not exist in isolation: it is sustained by the merit and goodwill of the fourfold assembly of the Buddha's disciples.

Living closely with the Sangha also showed me the importance of harmony and mindfulness in communal life. Arranging shoes neatly, speaking softly, and helping without being asked became practices. Inner cultivation is not limited to meditation cushions or sutra books; it is expressed in how we listen, walk, eat, and respond to others. These lessons quietly corrected my impatience and developed a more mature sense of responsibility.

The retreat's greatest gift may have been returning to myself. Away from familiar surroundings, I saw my habits more clearly: distraction, subtle pride, but also sincere joy in simple practice. Under the elders' compassionate guidance, I learned not to judge these states, but to recognize and quietly observe them.

Gradually my body settled, my speech became more measured, and my mind more open. It was not perfection but a beginning, a movement of the heart toward steadiness and mindful awakening.

At the end of ten days, I feel deep gratitude mixed with a quiet sadness difficult to express. Paris is no longer simply a distant European city; it is a place where my roots within the Sangha have

grown. The relationships with teachers, monastics, and devotees will remain lamps upon my path.

This first retreat is not only a milestone in monastic life; it reminds me that wherever the Dharma is sincerely practiced, that place can become home.

I return to Sydney with more than memories. I carry nourishment of body, speech, and mind, cultivated through the community's virtue and harmony. With respect and determination, I vow to continue this path and honor the teachings and compassion so generously shared in Paris.

Every meeting carries a separation; every hello will be followed by goodbye.

I hope one day to return to such a nourishing, open environment of practice, perhaps elsewhere, in another unfamiliar land, to continue learning how to dwell and grow in the Dharma.

A winter retreat in serenity

Original page 37. Diệu Duyên, Khánh Anh, Wednesday, December 17, 2025.

Dear elder teachers, dear venerable monks and nuns, dear companions in practice,

Today is the last day of the winter retreat. I wish humbly to record what I have learned after following my teacher from Switzerland to the great Khánh Anh Pagoda to join you.

A few days before departure, my heart overflowed with joy: the joy of a devotee eager for the day when teacher and disciple would travel together.

That day arrived. I followed my teacher's steps with immense joy and emotion, knowing I would soon reach the place I had long hoped for and that we would seek peace together amid the cold days.

At the airport, the monks welcomed us warmly; it was a comforting feeling from the moment we arrived in France.

During these days of intensive practice, I studied and trained body and mind, looked within, and recognized what was lacking and needed correction.

Every compassionate word, every calm and kind gesture, every silent, benevolent gaze of teachers and nuns gave me a profound Dharma lesson.

From morning to evening, I followed the four periods of practice: recitation, prostrations, meditation, and listening to teachings. During work and rest, we observed body and mind, corrected them, and cared for them with a mother's love for her young child.

I also learned from the eyes, smiles, and friendly, gentle, attentive words of monastics and companions. How much warmth, happiness, and peace there was in every passing moment!

My heart is now filled with affection and serenity, embraced in the Sangha's compassionate arms.

Leaving Khánh Anh means moving away from that affection. My heart tightens: time has passed so quickly, it feels as if I arrived yesterday.

My body and mind have been bathed in the teachers' study, words, and practice. I vow to carry what I received during these ten days as provisions for my entire life, day after day and month after month, remembering it and practicing diligently.

I respectfully thank the elders for enabling lay devotees to accompany them. May you live long and remain the great trees beneath which we find refuge.

To my companions, I wish peace of body and mind, firmness of the awakening mind, and perseverance in study and practice.

2026 practice program - Khánh Anh in Évry

Original page 38. The following translates the published program without updating its dates.

Eight Precepts: received on Friday at 8 p.m.; conclusion on Saturday at 5:30 p.m. **Pure Land practice:** approximately seven hours, from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Date and time	Ceremony or practice
January 26, 8 p.m.	Śākyamuni Buddha's awakening, eighth day of the twelfth month of Ất Ty
January 31, 9 a.m.	Pure Land practice
February 13-14, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; year-end gathering for recitation of the Buddha's name
February 16, 8 p.m.	Year-end performance; New Year's Eve; homage to Maitreya; New Year wishes and blessings
February 17, 10 a.m.	First day of Tết Bính Ngọ: welcoming Maitreya's spring, wishes and blessings; meal offered to devotees
February 18-19, 10 a.m.	Second and third days of Tết; spring welcome, wishes and blessings; Universal Gate Chapter opening at 2 p.m.
February 22, 11 a.m.	New Year celebration and blessings; taking refuge in the Three Jewels at 2 p.m.
February 28, 9 a.m.	Pure Land practice; Universal Gate Chapter recitation concludes at 3 p.m.
March 1, 11 a.m.	Spring welcome and blessings; Medicine Buddha ceremonies open at 3 p.m.
March 2-7, 3 p.m.	Medicine Buddha Sūtra recitation every afternoon
March 3, 11 a.m.	First full moon: Thượng Nguyên; blessings; meal offered
March 7, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice; Mông Sơn offering at 3 p.m.; conclusion of Medicine Buddha recitation and ceremonies; blessed water shared
March 8, 11 a.m.	Communal first full-moon celebration; prayers for the deceased; blessings and meal; spring performance at 1 p.m.
March 13-14, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts
March 15, 3:30 p.m.	Teaching by Rinpoche Sherpa Chöje Ngawang Jorden
March 26, 8 p.m.	Commemoration of Prince Siddhārtha's renunciation
March 28, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice and recitation for Prince Siddhārtha's renunciation
April 2, 8 p.m.	Śākyamuni Buddha's entry into nirvāṇa; Sūtra of the Last Instructions
April 6, 8 p.m.	Avalokiteśvara's birth; Universal Gate Chapter
April 8, 8 p.m.	Homage to Samantabhadra; Phổ Hiền Sūtra
"March 10-11," 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; homage to Samantabhadra - this entry appears among April events in the original

Date and time	Ceremony or practice
April 12, 11 a.m.	Weekly prayers for the deceased; at 4 p.m., homage to Samantabhadra, recitation, and Mông Sơn offering
April 22, 8 p.m.	Homage to Venerable Mahākāśyapa
April 25, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice; homage to Mahākāśyapa
May 2, 8 p.m.	Homage to Cundī Buddha
May 8-9, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; homage to Cundī; teachings by Thích Hạnh Tân
May 10, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Hạnh Tân's teaching at 2 p.m.
May 20, 8 p.m.	Homage to Mañjuśrī
May 23, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice; homage to Mañjuśrī
May 31, 10:30 a.m.	Fourth-month full moon; Buddha's birth ceremony, Buddhist year 2670; start of the monastics' three-month summer retreat
June 5-7	Gyuto Monastery teachers: Avalokiteśvara's vows and Tibetan ritual music
June 7, 10:30 a.m.	Great celebration of the Buddha's birth with Thích Tánh Thiệt and European dignitaries; performance at 1 p.m.
June 8, 8 p.m.	Samantabhadra's spiritual accomplishment
June 12-13, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; Medicine Buddha's birth
June 27, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice; homage to the monastery's protectors
July 10-11, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; teachings by Thích Thông Trí
July 12, 10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Thông Trí's teaching at 2 p.m.
July 16, 8 p.m.	Homage to the Dharma protector
July 20-30	Thirty-seventh European Dharma seminar in Marseille
August 1, 8 p.m.	Avalokiteśvara's spiritual accomplishment
August 9, 3 p.m.	Weekly prayers; opening of Vu Lan recitations, requested names read and Mông Sơn offering; recitations continue through August 16
August 16, 11 a.m.	Great Vu Lan celebration with Thích Tánh Thiệt and dignitaries; deceased persons' names read; performance at 1 p.m.
August 21-22, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; teaching by Thích Hạnh Tiểu
August 23, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Hạnh Tân's teaching at 2 p.m.
August 25, 8 p.m.	Homage to Mahāsthāmaprāpta, Đại Thế Chí
August 27, 10:30 a.m.	Vu Lan on the seventh-month full moon; deceased persons' names read on request; meal offered

Date and time	Ceremony or practice
September 10, 8 p.m.	Homage to Kṣitigarbha, Địa Tạng
September 14-20, 8 p.m.	Teachers from Ngari Institute Monastery, Ladakh: Medicine Buddha mandala and teachings
September 16, 8 p.m.	Homage to Huệ Viễn, first patriarch of the Pure Land school
September 18-19, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; homage to Ānanda; teaching by Thích Hạnh Tân
September 19-20, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.	Heritage Days; transmission of blessings
September 20, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Hạnh Tân's teaching at 2 p.m.
October 2, 8 p.m.	Birth of Dīpaṅkara Buddha, Nhiên Đăng
October 9-10, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; teaching by Thích Hoàng Khai
October 11, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Hoàng Khai's teaching at 2 p.m.
October 24, 8 p.m.	Pure Land practice
October 28, 8 p.m.	Avalokiteśvara's renunciation
November 1	Incense at the boat-people memorial; prayers for the deceased at 9:30 a.m.; solidarity meal at 12:30 p.m.
November 8	Weekly prayers; at 2 p.m., Medicine Buddha's spiritual accomplishment and sūtra recitation
November 13-14, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts; homage to Bodhidharma; teaching by Thích Thông Trí
November 15, 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.	Weekly prayers; Thích Thông Trí's teaching at 2 p.m.
November 20	Commemoration of Patriarch Liễu Quán
November 23, 8 p.m.	Tenth-month full moon; Hạ Nguyên festival
November 27-28, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts
December 8-18	Ten-day winter retreat organized by the European Church at Liên Hoa center, Norway
December 9, 6:30 a.m.	European Church's ceremony entering the retreat
"Tuesday, December 19," 8 p.m.	Homage to Buddhist king Trần Nhân Tông; the weekday is inconsistent in the original
December 25, 8 p.m.	Amitābha Buddha's birth
January 8-9, 2027, 8 p.m.	Eight Precepts
January 15, 2027, 8 p.m.	Śākyamuni Buddha's awakening

Date and time	Ceremony or practice
January 23, 2027, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Pure Land practice

The program may change according to Buddhist activities. Changes to Pure Land or Eight Precepts practice days will be announced later.

2026 program - Khánh Anh mother pagoda in Bagneux

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Date and time	Activity
January 17, 9 a.m.-5:30 p.m.	Eight Precepts for the day
January 18, 4-5:30 p.m.	Teaching by Thích Hoàng Khai
February 14	Pure Land practice
February 2 / February 15	Collective year-end remembrance, according to the two printed dates
February 16, midnight	New Year's Eve, wishes and blessings
February 17, 10:30 a.m.	Homage to Maitreya, New Year prayers for peace and blessings; Universal Gate Chapter at 4 p.m.
February 18-21, 4 p.m.	Universal Gate Chapter
February 22, 10:30 a.m.	Prayers for peace and the deceased, blessings; Medicine Buddha opening at 3 p.m.
February 23-March 7	Medicine Buddha Sūtra at 4 p.m.; Sundays at 3 p.m.
February 28, 9 a.m.-6 p.m.	Eastern Pure Land practice
March 1	First full moon with Thích Trí Minh: prayers at 10:30 a.m., teaching at 2 p.m., offerings to spirits at 5 p.m.
March 3, 11 a.m.	First-month full-moon celebration
March 8	Prayers for the deceased at 10:30 a.m.; Medicine Buddha ceremonies conclude and blessed water is shared at 3 p.m.
March 26	Prince Siddhārtha's renunciation
April 2	The Buddha's entry into nirvāṇa
"April 18," 9 a.m.-7 p.m.	Eight Precepts for the day; this entry appears twice in the table
April 6	Avalokiteśvara's birth
April 8	Homage to Samantabhadra
May 20	Homage to Mañjuśrī
May 24	Great celebration of the Buddha's birth at Bagneux with Thích tánh Thiệt
May 31	Anniversary of Śākyamuni Buddha's birth; 2,650 years since his birth, Buddhist year 2670
June 20	Pure Land practice, Amitābha recitation, and bodhisattva precepts

Date and time	Activity
June 27	Homage to the monastery's protectors
July 16	Homage to the Dharma protector
July 20-30	European Dharma seminar in Marseille
August 1	Avalokiteśvara's spiritual accomplishment
August 23	Great Vu Lan celebration at Bagneux with Thích Tánh Thiết
August 25	Homage to Mahāsthāmaprāpta
August 27	Seventh-month full moon, Trung Nguyên festival
September 10	Homage to Kṣitigarbha
September 12-13	Eight Precepts; Thích Thanh Trí
September 18	Homage to Ānanda
"Saturday 12-Sunday, October 4"	Eight Precepts; inconsistent date in the original
October 28	Avalokiteśvara's renunciation
"Saturday 7-Sunday, October 8"	Complete Lotus Sūtra recitation; weekdays do not agree with the printed month
November 21-22, 9 a.m.-7 p.m.	Eight Precepts; Thích Như Điển
"Monday, December 23"	Tenth-month full moon and Hạ Nguyên; the text associates the fifteenth day of the tenth lunar month with this date
December 8-18	Winter retreat at Liên Hoa center, Norway
December 25	Homage to Amitābha Buddha
January 15, 2027	Homage to the Buddha's awakening
January 16-17, 2027	Awakening practice assembly

Several calendar entries contain apparent errors in month or weekday. These are identified rather than arbitrarily corrected. Full lunar dates remain available on original page 38.

Diligence: a lamp that never goes out on the path

Original page 39. Thiện Tâm.

Among the countless methods taught by the Blessed One, diligence is the quietest and most persistent strength. It helps the Buddha's disciple cross the ocean of suffering, birth, and death. Without it, practice remains a wish. With it, whatever their capacities, practitioners eventually draw closer to awakening's light.

Diligence does not necessarily mean great works or extraordinary actions. It begins in each small thought, in daily care of body, speech, and mind, and in perseverance against harmful habits that have accompanied us through many lives.

Why is diligence necessary?

We live in an age of decline of the Dharma. Life is busy, the mind easily scattered, and afflictions more numerous than our strength of practice. Without diligence, fame, advantage, attachments, and money carry us away, and we forget the ultimate purpose: liberation from suffering.

The Buddha taught: "Even if my blood dries up, my flesh wastes away, and my bones wear down, until I have realized the path, I will not leave this seat." This is the spirit of diligence that never retreats, a great example for disciples.

Moving forward with steady steps

Diligence means neither haste, nor effort beyond one's strength, nor seeking superiority over others. It is regular, continuous, and in accordance with the Dharma. Every day, maintain a period of practice, reduce one harmful thought, and add one good action: this is genuine diligence.

A diligent practitioner does not ask, "When will I attain realization?" They ask, "Have I lived better today than yesterday?"

Overcoming oneself

Our greatest enemy is not outside: it is laziness, carelessness, and inner complacency. Diligence means daring to look at oneself, correct mistakes, change, and abandon habits that cause suffering to oneself and others.

Recognize anger and learn patience; recognize greed and practice giving; recognize ignorance and study the true Dharma diligently.

Each time we overcome ourselves, we move closer to inner freedom.

In everyday life

Diligence is not confined to the pagoda. It appears in mindful speech and work, patiently enduring misunderstandings, maintaining practice despite tiredness, and preserving a kind heart in adversity.

Simply do not give up and move forward a little each day: afflictions diminish and peace grows.

Without excessive tension

Diligence must accompany wisdom and compassion. We do not practice to put ourselves under pressure but to transform ourselves and live peacefully. If the mind is tired, adjust the pace; do not let tiredness cause abandonment of the path.

Rest in order to continue, not to retreat.

Encouragement

Disciples of the Buddha, life is short and impermanence makes no appointments. Still having a healthy body and being able to hear the Dharma is a rare opportunity. Do not wait for old age, sickness, or approaching death to practice.

Be diligent now: to help ourselves, to become a refuge for others, and to honor the Buddhas and patriarchs.

If we do not give up throughout our lives, the path of awakening will eventually bear fruit.

May all beings develop steadfast diligence, take the true Dharma as their light, and make practice the great work of their lives.

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Tết Bính Ngọ 2026 - Program in Évry

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Monday, February 16, 8 p.m.: spring performance continuing until the New Year's Eve ceremony.

Tuesday, February 17, midnight: welcome to the New Year and Maitreya's spring, wishes and blessings. At **10:30 a.m.**, first day of Tết Bính Ngọ: spring celebration and blessings.

Wednesday, February 18, 10:30 a.m.: second day of Tết. At **3 p.m.**, opening of the Universal Gate Chapter recitation. Meal offered to devotees. A parenthetical entry in the original gives "Monday 3/2-Saturday 8/2/2026" for the recitations; these dates and weekdays do not agree with the program.

Sunday, February 22, 10:30 a.m.: New Year celebration and blessings. At **2 p.m.**, taking refuge in the Three Jewels. At **3 p.m.**, Universal Gate Chapter, recited every afternoon from Monday, February 23, to Saturday, February 28. Those wishing to take refuge should register and be present at **1:30 p.m.** on February 22.

Saturday, February 28, 9 a.m.: Pure Land practice; Universal Gate Chapter recitation concludes in the afternoon.

Sunday, March 1, 11 a.m.: prayers for peace and protection, weekly prayers for the deceased, and blessings. At **3 p.m.**, opening of the Medicine Buddha ceremonies; afternoon recitations from Monday, March 2, to Saturday, March 7.

Tuesday, March 3, 10:30 a.m.: Thượng Nguyên, first-month full moon, prayers for peace and blessings. Meal offered.

Saturday, March 7, 3:30 p.m.: Pure Land practice, conclusion of recitation and closing of the Medicine Buddha ceremonies. At **4:30 p.m.**, Amitābha Sūtra, offering to spirits, and sharing of blessed water.

Sunday, March 8: at **10:30 a.m.**, first full-moon celebration, prayers for peace and blessings, with an offered meal; at **11:15 a.m.**, reading of requested names for the living and deceased; at **noon**, offerings to ancestors; at **1 p.m.**, Bính Ngọ 2026 spring performance.

Complete and send the prayer request form to the pagoda for the first full-moon readings. The program may change.

Families requesting names of deceased persons permanently commemorated at the pagoda to be read during the 10:30 a.m. service on Tuesday, March 3, or Sunday, March 8, with family members present, must send their reply to Khánh Anh Évry before **March 1, 2026**.

For deceased persons whose families have made no specific request, prayers will be recited Monday, March 2-Saturday, March 7, during the Medicine Buddha ceremonies.

Tết cakes

Bánh tét and bánh chưng: large 1 kg size, **€14**; small 500 g size, **€10**.

Home delivery by Colissimo, with the following additional postage charges: 1 kg, €12; 2 kg, €15; 3 kg, €18; 5 kg, €21; 7 kg, €25.

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Sunday, February 15: year-end prayers and collective commemoration of deceased persons honored at the mother pagoda. At **3 p.m.**, year-end repentance ceremony.

Monday, February 16, 11:59 p.m.: New Year's Eve, welcoming Bính Ngọ spring, wishes and distribution of blessings.

Tuesday, February 17, 10:30 a.m.: homage to Maitreya, New Year prayers for peace, wishes and blessings. At **4 p.m.**, opening of Universal Gate Chapter recitation.

Wednesday, February 18-Saturday, February 21, 4 p.m.: Universal Gate Chapter and Mông Sơn offering every day.

Sunday, February 22, 10:30 a.m.: New Year prayers for peace, weekly prayers for the deceased, offerings, wishes, and blessings.

The newsletter then announces Medicine Buddha Sūtra recitation from **Monday, February 23, to Saturday, March 14, 2026**, at **4 p.m.**, and Sundays at **3 p.m.** The final date and associated lunar indication differ from other entries in the program.

Saturday, February 28, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Eastern Pure Land practice.

Sunday, March 1: Thượng Nguyên, presided over by the Most Venerable Thích Trí Minh. At **10:30 a.m.**, prayers for peace and protection, prayers for the deceased, and offerings; meal offered to devotees. At **5 p.m.**, offering to spirits.

Tuesday, March 3: first-month full moon; at **10:30 a.m.**, presentation of requests for peace and protection; at **4 p.m.**, Medicine Buddha Sūtra and reading of names.

Sunday, March 8: Medicine Buddha ceremonies conclude. At **11 a.m.**, prayers for the deceased and offerings. At **3 p.m.**, closing ceremony, conclusion of the sūtra, and 108 repetitions of the Medicine Buddha mantra, followed by sharing blessed water.

Short boxed sayings

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Humanity - righteousness - courtesy - discernment - faithfulness.

Without humanity, one may easily do harm. Without righteousness, one becomes ungrateful.

Without courtesy, one becomes disrespectful. Without discernment, one becomes ignorant.

Without faithfulness to one's word, one becomes deceitful.

Notes for editorial review

This translation is a working edition. Articles repeated in several languages have been combined, personal names retained, and contradictory information identified. It does not reproduce the original newsletter's layout or all its photographs.

Before publication, the following should be confirmed with the pagoda: Thích Minh Tâm's birth year, given as 1940 in the biography and 1938 in the municipal report; the phrase “from 2006 to 2023” in the Vietnamese biography, although his death is dated 2013; Thích Thắng Hoan's birth year and age; some dates in the annual and Vạn Hạnh programs; and a few foreign names insufficiently clear in the reproduction.

The detailed seminar program gives **July 21-30, 2026**, with arrival on July 21, opening on July 22, and closing on July 29. Other calendars give July 20-29 or July 20-30. These variants are retained in their respective sections.

Lunar dates have not been recalculated. To preserve their complete presentation and the correspondences as printed, original page 38 is reproduced at the end of this translation.

Appendix - Original program and lunar calendar

Reproduction of original page 38, preserving the printed lunar dates and program details.

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- THỌ BÁT QUAN TRẠI

- HUÂN TU TỊNH ĐỘ

- (thay giới thứ 6 lúc 20h, xả giới thứ 7 lúc 17h30)
(sông thứ 7 từ kinh, niệm Phật từ 9h-17h30)
- Thứ hai 26/1 (mùng 8/12 Ất Tý) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Phật Thích Ca Thành Đạo
 - Thứ bảy 31/1/26 (13/12 Ất Tý) (9h): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 13-14/2 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Pháp Hội Niệm Phật cuối năm Bình Ngo
 - Thứ hai 16/2 (29/12 Giáp Thìn) (20h): Văn nghệ Tết Niên - Đón Giao Thừa - Vía Phật Di Lặc - Chúc Tết - Hải Lặc đầu năm Bình Ngo 2026
 - Thứ ba 17/2 (mùng 1 Tết) (11h): Mừng Một Tết Nguyên Đán Bình Ngo - Mừng Xuân Di Lặc - Chúc Tết - Hải Lặc (chùa có thiết đãi cơm phật ăn Xuân cho quý Phật tử)
 - Thứ tư 18/2 (mùng 2-3 Tết) (11h): Mừng Hai - Ba Tết Bình Ngo - Mừng Xuân Di Lặc - Chúc Tết - Hải Lặc - 14h Khai Kinh Phổ Môn
 - Chủ nhật 22/2 (mùng 6 Tết) (11h): Mừng Sáu Tết Nguyên Đán - Bình Ngo - Mừng Xuân Di Lặc - Hải Lặc - 14h Lễ Quy Y Tam Bảo
 - Thứ bảy 28/2/26 (12/1 BN) (9h): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ, lúc 15h Lễ Hoàn Kinh Phổ Môn
 - Chủ nhật 1/3 (13/1 BN) (11h): Ngày 12 Tết Nguyên Đán - Bình Ngo - Mừng Xuân Di Lặc - Hải Lặc, lúc 15h Khai Đàn Dược Sư
 - Thứ hai 2-bảy 7/2 (14-19 BN) (15h): Tụng kinh Dược Sư - từ thứ hai 2/3/26 đến thứ bảy 7/3/2026
 - Thứ ba 3/3 (Rằm 1 Bình Ngo) (10h): Lễ Thượng Nguyên Rằm tháng Giêng năm Bình Ngo, Hải Lặc (chùa có thiết đãi cơm cho quý Phật tử)
 - Thứ bảy 7/3 (9h-17h30): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ - 15h Tiền Mông Sơn, Hoàn Kinh Dược Sư, Bế Đàn Dược Sư chia nước công đức
 - Chủ nhật 8/3 (20/1 Bình Ngo) (11h): Lễ Thượng Nguyên năm Bình Ngo, lễ cầu siêu hàng Tuần, Hải Lặc (chùa thiết đãi cơm quý Phật tử) - 13h Văn Nghệ Mừng Xuân
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 13-14/3 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại
 - Chủ nhật 15/3 (27/1 Bình Ngo) (13h30): Buổi thuyết giảng của Ngài Rinpoche Sharpa Chöel Ngawang Jorden
 - Thứ sáu 26/3 (8/2 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Thái tử Tử Đạt Đa xuất gia
 - Thứ bảy 28/3 (10-2 BN) (9h-17h30): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ - Tụng kinh Lễ Vía Thái tử Tử Đạt Đa Xuất Gia
 - Thứ năm 2/4 (Rằm 2 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Phật Thích Ca Nhập Niết Bàn - Tụng Kinh Di Giáo
 - Thứ hai 6/4 (19/2) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Quán Thế Âm đàn sinh, tụng kinh Phổ Môn
 - Thứ năm 8/4 (21/2 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Phổ Hiền - Tụng Kinh Phổ Hiền
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 10-11/3 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Phổ Hiền
 - Chủ nhật 12/4 (25/2 Bình Ngo) (11h): Lễ cầu siêu hàng Tuần - 16h00: - Lễ Vía Phổ Hiền Bồ Tát - Tụng Kinh Phổ Hiền, Mông Sơn thí thực
 - Thứ tư 22/4 (6/3 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Tôn Giả Ca Diếp
 - Thứ bảy 25/4 (9h-17h30): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ - Lễ Vía Tôn Giả Ca Diếp
 - Thứ bảy 2/5 (16/3 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Phật Chuẩn Đề
 - Thứ sáu-thứ bảy 8-9/5 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Lễ Vía Phật Chuẩn Đề và Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Chủ nhật 10/5/26 (24-3 BN) (11h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Thứ năm 20/5 (4/4 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Văn Thù
 - Thứ bảy 23/5 (9h-17h30): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ - Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Văn Thù
 - Chủ nhật 31/5 (Rằm 4 BN) (10h30): Ngày Rằm tháng Tư Đại Lễ Phật Đản 2670 - Chư Tăng Ni Tác Lễ An Cư Kiết Hạ trong 3 tháng
 - Thứ sáu-bảy chủ nhật 5-6/7: Quê Thầy từ Tu Viện Gyato giảng Hạnh nguyện đức Quan Thế Âm và cúng nhạc phật khí Tây Tạng
 - Chủ nhật 7/6 (22/4 Bình Ngo) (10h30): Đại Lễ Phật Đản 2670, HT Tánh Thiệt, Chư Tôn Đức An Cư... - 13h00 cúng dường Văn nghệ
 - Thứ hai 8/6 (23/4 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Phổ Hiền thành đạo
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 12-13/6 (28-4 BN) (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Lễ Vía Đức Phật Dược Sư đàn sinh
 - Thứ bảy 27/6 (13/5) (9h-17h30): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ, Lễ Vía Giả Lam Thánh Chúng
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 10-11/7 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại do Hòa Thượng Thích Thông Trí thuyết giảng
 - Chủ nhật 12/7 (28/5 BN) (10h30): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) do Hòa Thượng Thích Thông Trí thuyết giảng
 - Thứ năm 16/7 (3/6 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Hộ Pháp
 - Thứ hai 20/7 - thứ năm 30/7/26: Khóa Tu Học Phật Pháp Âu Châu Kỳ thứ 37 tại Marseille miền nam nước Pháp Quốc
 - Thứ bảy 1/8 (19/6 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Quán Thế Âm thành đạo
 - Chủ nhật 9/8 (27/6) (15h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (15h) Khai Kinh Vu Lan, đọc danh sách Hậu cô yếu cầu, Mông Sơn thí thực (từ chiều thứ hai 10/8 đến chủ nhật 30/8/26 tụng Hoàn Kinh Vu Lan)
 - Chủ nhật 16/8/26 (4/7 BN) (11h): Đại Lễ Vu Lan 2670, HT Tánh Thiệt, Chư Tôn Đức, đọc danh sách Hậu - 13h: Văn nghệ (đọc danh sách trong phiếu cầu siêu gọi về) (chùa thiết đãi cơm quý Phật tử)
 - Thứ sáu-thứ bảy 21-22/8 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Chủ nhật 23/8/26 (11/7 BN) (11h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Thứ ba 25/8 (13/7 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Bồ Tát Đại Thế Chí
 - Thứ năm 27/8/26 (Rằm 7/10h30): Đại Lễ Vu Lan 2670, Rằm tháng 7, đọc danh sách Hậu cô yếu cầu (đọc danh sách trong phiếu cầu siêu gọi về) (chùa thiết đãi cơm quý Phật tử)
 - Thứ năm 10/9 (29/7 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Đản Tạng Vương Bồ Tát
 - Thứ hai chủ nhật 14-20/9 (20h): Ngủi Geshé của Tu Viện Ngari Institute ở Ladhak Lep Dor Trang Mandala Dược Sư và thuyết giảng
 - Thứ tư 16/9 (6/8 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Tổ Huệ Viễn Sư Tổ Tịnh Độ Tông
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 18-19/9 (8-8 BN) (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại - Lễ Vía Tôn Giả A Nan - Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Thứ bảy chủ nhật 19-20/9 (9h-17h): Ngày Di Sản Văn Hóa - Les Journées du patrimoine - Phố Mũi Đà La
 - Chủ nhật 20/9/26 (10/7 BN) (11h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Thượng Tọa Thích Hạnh Tấn thuyết giảng
 - Thứ sáu 2/10 (22/8 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Nhiên Đăng đàn sinh
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 9-10/10/26 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại và Hòa Thượng Thích Hoàng Khai thuyết giảng
 - Chủ nhật 11/10/26 (2/8 BN) (11h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Hòa Thượng Thích Hoàng Khai thuyết giảng

- Thứ bảy 24/10 (20h): Huân Tu Tịnh Độ
 - Thứ tư 28/10/26 (19/9) (20h): Lễ Vía Quán Thế Âm Bồ Tát Xuất Gia
 - Chủ nhật 1/11/26 (9h): Thập hương Đài Tưởng Niệm Truyền Nhân - 9h30: Cầu Siêu hàng tuần - 12h30: Bế cơm Xã Hội
 - Chủ nhật 8/11 (30/9 Bình Ngo) (20h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Lễ Vía Đức Phật Dược Sư Lưu Ly thành đạo, tụng Kinh Dược Sư
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 13-14/11 (3/10) (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại, Lễ Vía Bồ Đề Đạt Ma và Hòa Thượng Thích Thông Trí thuyết giảng
 - Chủ nhật 15/11/26 (7/9 BN) (11h): Cầu Siêu hàng tuần, (14h) Hòa Thượng Thích Thông Trí thuyết giảng
 - Thứ sáu 20/11/26: Kỳ Tổ Liễu Quán
 - Thứ hai 23/11/26 (15/10) (20h): Rằm tháng 10 - Lễ Hạ Nguyên
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 27-28/11 (19/9) (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại
 - Thứ ba 8/12 thứ sáu 18/12/26: An Cư Kiết Hạ 10 ngày của Giáo Hội PGVN - Âu Châu tổ chức tại Liên Hoa Đạo Tràng - Na Uy
 - Thứ tư 9/12/26 (6h30): Lễ Tác Pháp An Cư của Giáo Hội Âu Châu
 - Thứ ba 19/12 (11/11 Bình Ngo) (20h): Lễ Phật Hoàng Trần Nhân Tông
 - Thứ sáu 25/12 (17/11 BN) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Phật A Di Đà Đàn Sinh
 - Thứ sáu-bảy 8-9/1/2027 (20h): Truyền Giới Bát Quan Trại
 - Thứ sáu 15/1/2027 (8/12 BN) (20h): Lễ Vía Đức Phật Thích Ca Thành Đạo
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- T.Tư 18/2/26 - T.Bảy 21/2/2026 (mùng 2-5 Tết Bình Ngo), Tụng Kinh Phổ Môn, 16h00
- CN 22/2/26 (mùng 6 Tết Bình Ngo), Cầu An Đầu Năm, Cầu Siêu hàng tuần - Phát Lộc 10h30 - Khai Đàn Dược Sư, 15h00
- T.Hai 23/2 đến T.Bảy 7/3/26 Tụng Kinh Dược Sư, 16h00 CN tụng kinh vào lúc 15h00
- T.Bảy 28/2/26 (12/1 Bình Ngo), Huân Tu Đông Phương Tịnh Độ 9-18h
- CN 1/3/26 (13/1 Bình Ngo), Lễ Thượng Nguyên Hòa Thượng Thích Trí Minh - Cầu An - Cầu Siêu hàng tuần 10h30, - Giảng Pháp 14h00, - Cúng Thí Thực Cô Hồn 17h00,
- T.Ba 3/3/26 (15/1 Bình Ngo), Cúng Rằm tháng Giêng, 11h00
- CN 8/3/26 (20/1 Bình Ngo), Cầu Siêu hàng tuần 10h30 - Bế Đàn hoàn Kinh Dược Sư, Chia nước Công Đức, 15h00
- T.Năm 26/3/26 (8/2 Bình Ngo), Vía Thái tử Tử Đạt Đa Xuất Gia
- T.Năm 2/4/26 (15/2 Bình Ngo) Vía Phật Nhập Niết Bàn
- T.Bảy 18/4/26 (2/3 Bình Ngo) Thọ Bát Quan Trại giới nội nhật 9h-19h
- T.Hai 6/4/26 (19/2 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Quán Thế Âm (Đàn Sinh)
- T.Tư 8/4/26 (21/2 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Phổ Hiền
- T.Bảy 18/4/26 (2/3 Bình Ngo) Thọ Bát Quan Trại giới nội nhật 9h-19h
- T.Tư 20/5/26 (4/4 Bình Ngo) Vía Tôn Giả Ca Diếp
- CN 24/5/26 (8/4 Bình Ngo) Đại Lễ Phật Đản tại Tổ Đình Khánh Anh Bagneux - Hòa Thượng Thích Tánh Thiệt
- CN 31/5/26 (15/4 Bình Ngo) Lễ Khánh Đản Đức Phật Thích Ca Mâu Ni 2650-PL 2670
- T.Bảy 20/6/26 (6/5 Bình Ngo) Huân Tu Tam Kinh Tịnh Độ - Tán A Di Đà Phật Kế - Tụng Bồ Tát Giới
- T.Bảy 27/6/26 (13/5 Bình Ngo) Vía Giả Lam Thánh Chúng
- T.Năm 16/7/26 (3/6 Bình Ngo) Vía Hộ Pháp
- T.Hai 20/7 - T.Năm 30/7/26 Khóa Tu Học Phật Pháp Âu Châu Lần 37 - 10 ngày tại Marseille
- T.Bảy 1/8/26 (19/6 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Quán Âm thành Đạo
- CN 23/8/26 (11/2 Bình Ngo) Đại Lễ Vu Lan - Tổ Đình Khánh Anh Bagneux - Hòa Thượng Thích Tánh Thiệt
- T.Ba 25/8/26 (13/2 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Đại Thế Chí
- T.Năm 27/8/26 (15/7 Bình Ngo) Rằm tháng Bảy - Lễ Trung Nguyên
- T.Năm 10/9 (29/7 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Địa Tạng
- T.Bảy 12 - CN 13/9/26 (2-3/8 Bình Ngo) Thọ Bát Quan Trại TTT.Thanh Trí
- T.Sáu 18/9/26 (8/8 Bình Ngo) Vía Tôn Giả A Nan
- T.Bảy 12 - CN 4/10/26 (23-24/8 Bình Ngo) Thọ Bát Quan Trại "HK"
- T.Tư 28/10/26 (19/9 Bình Ngo) Vía Bồ Tát Quán Âm Xuất Gia
- T.Bảy 7/10 - CN 8/10/26 (29-30/8 Bình Ngo) tụng trọn Bộ Kinh Pháp Hoa Vía Phật Dược Sư
- T.Bảy 21/11 - CN 22/11/26 (13-14/10 Bình Ngo) Thọ Bát Quan Trại giới HT Thích Như Điển 9h-19h
- T.Hai 23/12/26 (15/10 Bình Ngo) Rằm tháng 10 - Lễ Hạ Nguyên
- T.Năm 8/12 - T.Sáu 18/12/26 (2-10/11 Bình Ngo) An Cư Kiết Hạ tại Liên Hoa Đạo Tràng - Na Uy
- T.Sáu 25/12/2026 (17/11 Bình Ngo) Vía Phật A Di Đà
- T.Sáu 15/1/2027 (8/12 Bình Ngo) Vía Phật Thành Đạo
- T.Bảy 16/1 - CN 17/1/2027 (9-10/12 Bình Ngo) Đàn Tràng Thành Đạo.