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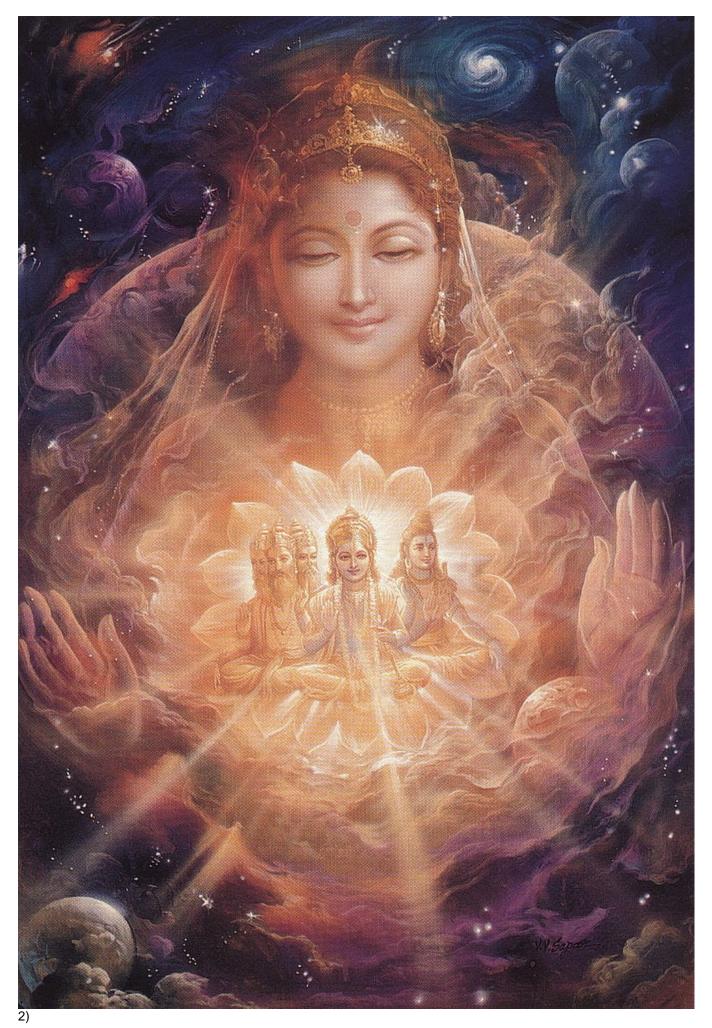
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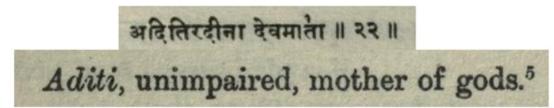
The 7th Nakshatra in zodiac is Punarvasu Nakshatra, spanning 20 deg Gemini/Mithun - 3.20 deg Cancer/Karka Rashi. Its ruling deity is Aditi.

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In Nirukta 4.22, Yaskacharya has denoted Aditi as unimpaired, free of defects, and mother of Devas.

Atharvaveda 8.9.21 also terms Aditi as mother of 8 children.



निरुक्तकार यास्क ने भी अदिति को देवमाता के रूप में उपन्यस्त किया है- अदितिर अदीना देवमाता (नि॰ ४.२२) ।

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Who are these 8 children? Taittiriya Brahmana 1.1.9.1-3 specifies the 8 children of Aditi:- Dhata, Aryama, Mitra, Varuna, Ansh, Bhaga, Indra, and Vivasvan.

Usually, it's regarded that children of Aditi are called Adityas. Brihadaranyaka Upanishad 3.9.5 mentions number of...

'र्शमीगर्भादमिं मेन्थति । एषा वा अन्नेर्य तामेवास्मै जनयति । 'अदितिः पुत्रकामा देवेभ्यौ ब्रह्मौदनमेपचत् । तस्यां उच्छे तत्प्राइच्ञति । सा रेतौऽधत्त । तस्यै धाता चांर्यमा चोजायेताम् । सा हितीयंमपचत्॥ ६५॥ तस्यां उच्छेषणमददुः । तत्प्राइच्ञति । सा रेतौऽधत्त । तस्यैं मित्रश्च वरुंणश्चाजायेत सा र्यमपचत् । तस्यां उच्छेर्षणमद्द इच्त्रति । सा रेतौऽधत्त । तस्या अ×इश्वि भर्मश्चा-जायेताम् । सा चतुर्थमंपचत् ॥ ६६ ॥ तस्यां च्छेषंणमद्दुः । तत्प्राइच्त्रति् । सा रेतौऽधत्त । रया इन्द्रश्च विवस्वाश्रश्वाजायेताम् । वहाँ दनं प-रेत एव तहधाति प्राइच्र्ञन्ति ब्राह्मणा I बनम् । यदार्ज्यमञ्जिष्टवते । तेनं समिधोऽभय-ज्यादेघाति । उच्छेर्पणाहा अदिती रेतोऽघच ॥६७

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...Adityas as 12, being the 12 months of a year. Vishnu Purana 2.10 (Book 2, Chap.10) provides names of the 12 Adityas:-Dhata, Aryaman, Mitra, Varun, Indra, Vivasvat, Pushan, Parjanya, Ansh, Bhaga, Tvashtr & Vishnu.

So, between these two lists, it's noticed that Aditya..

Ádityas. Dhátŕi Aryaman Mitra Varuńa Indra Vivaswat Parjanya Púshan Aḿša Bhaga Twashťŕi Vishňu

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..disappears among the list of 12; and Pushan, Parjanya, Tvashtr, and Vishnu get added into the list. A/c to above verse of Brihadaranyaka Upanishad 3.9.5, these 12 Adityas are said to take all this with them (Sanskrit root 'ada' = eating)

अद mfn. chiefly in fine compositi or 'at the end of a compound' , eating. 🗏

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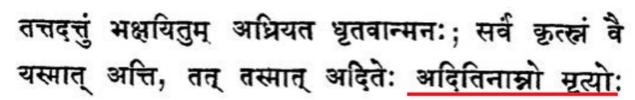
Due to the same root, Aditi also has qualities of eating/consuming everything, as told in Brihadaranyaka Upanishad 1.2.5.

By consuming everything, those things meet their end. Hence, Aditi is also called Mrityu. Here, some connections of Punarvasu & Bharani nakshatra ..

स अइक्षत, यदि वा इममभिमंस्पे, कनीयोऽन्नं करिष्य इति: स तया वाचा तेनात्मनेदं सर्वमसृजत यदिदं किंच— ऋचो यजूंषि सामानि छन्दांसि यज्ञान् प्रजाः पशून् । स यद्यदेवासृजत तत्तदत्तुमध्रियत; सर्वं वा अत्तीति तददितेरदितित्वम्; सर्वस्यात्ता भवति, सर्वमस्यान्नम् भवति, य एवमेतददितेरदितित्वं वेद ॥ ५ ॥

sa aikşata, yadi vā imamabhimamsye, kanīyo'nnam karişya iti; sa tayā vācā tenātmanedam sarvamasījata yadidam kimca— rco yajūmsi sāmāni chandāmsi yajñān prajāh pašūn | sa yadyadevāsījata tattadattumadhriyata; sarvam vā attīti tadaditeradititvam; sarvasyāttā bhavati, sarvamasyānnam bhavati, ya evametadaditeradititvam veda || 5 ||

5. He thought, 'If I kill him, I shall be making very little food.' Through that speech and that mind he projected all this, whatever there is—the Vedas Rc, Yajus and Sāman, the metres, the sacrifices, men and animals. Whatever he projected, he resolved to eat. Because he eats everything, therefore Aditi (Death) is so called. He who knows how Aditi came to have this name of Aditi, becomes the eater of all this, and everything becomes his food.



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..could be derived. (Bharani = lord is Yama, i.e. Mrityu)

Chandogya Upanishad 2.24.1 & 3.8.1 state that the evening oblations (Savana) is for the Adityas (alongwith Vishvedevas, the lord of Uttarashadha nakshatra), with Varuna as their leader. <u>https://t.co/3zmm6FxJXz</u>

Verse 2.2	24.1		Verse 3.8.1			
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माध्यंदिनं	ब्रह्मवादिनो वदन्ति यद्वसूनां प्रातः सवनं रुद्राणां माध्यंदिनं सवनमादित्यानां च विश्वेषां च देवानां तृतीयसवनम् ॥ २.२४.१ ॥			अथ यत्तृतीयममृतं तदादित्या उपजीवन्ति वरुणेन मुखेन न वै देवा अश्नन्ति न पिबन्त्येतदेवामृतं दृष्ट्वा तृप्यन्ति ॥ ३.८.१ ॥		
savanam savanamā	brahmavādino vadanti yadvasūnām prātah savanam rudrāņām mādhyamdinam savanamādityānām ca viśveṣām ca devānām tṛtīyasavanam 2.24.1			atha yattṛtīyamamṛtam tadādityā upajīvanti varuņena mukhena na vai devā aśnanti na pibantyetadevāmṛtam dṛṣṭvā tṛpyanti 3.8.1		
morning s midday s third, the Ādityas a	1. Those who believe in Brahman say: The morning savana is for the Vasus, the midday savana is for the Rudras, and the third, the evening savana, is for the <u>Ādityas</u> and the Viśvadevas [i.e., all the gods and goddesses].			1. With Varuna as their leader, the Adityas enjoy the third nectar [which is dark in colour]. As a matter of fact, the gods and goddesses neither eat nor drink. They are pleased merely by seeing the nectar.		

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The 2nd Nakshatra in zodiac is Bharani Nakshatra, spanning 13.21-26.40 deg Aries/Mesh Rashi. Its ruling deity is

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The 'third nectar' mentioned in Ch.Up. 3.8.1 refers to the water offered in evening savana.

The Nakshatra Sukta (Atharvaveda 19.7.2) indicates the capability of Punarvasu nakshatra to produce good elocutors, public speakers.

४६०१. सुहवमग्ने कृत्तिका रोहिणी चास्तु भद्रं मृगशिरः शमार्द्रा । पुनर्वसू सूनृता चारु पुष्यो भानुराश्लेषा अयनं मघा मे ॥२ ॥

हे अग्निदेव ! कृत्तिका और रोहिणी नक्षत्र हमारे लिए सुखपूर्वक आवाहन करने योग्य हों । मृगशिरा नक्षत्र कल्याणप्रद हो ।आर्द्रा शान्तिकारक हो । पुनर्वसु श्रेष्ठ वक्तृत्व कला (वाक्शक्ति) देने वाला एवं उत्तम फलदायी हो । आश्लेषा प्रकाश देने वाला तथा मधा नक्षत्र हमारे लिए प्रगतिशील मार्ग प्रशस्त करने वाला हो ॥२ ॥

9)

Rigveda 8.18.4 & 8.18.6 reveal the qualities of Aditi:- safety, security, protection. These qualities, alongwith truthfulness & adherence to morals, are emphasised in Shukla Yajurveda 21.5 as well.

Rig Veda 8.18.4

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Sanskrit text [Accents, Plain, Transliterated]:

देवेभिर्देव्यदितेऽरिष्टभर्मन्ना गंहि । स्मत्सूरिभिः पुरुप्रिये सुशर्मभिः ॥ देवेभिर्देव्यदितेऽरिष्टभर्मन्ना गहि । स्मत्सूरिभिः पुरुप्रिये सुशर्मभिः ॥ devebhir devy adite 'ristabharmann ā gahi | smat

sūribhih purupriye suśarmabhih ||

English translation:

"Divine Aditi, bringer of safety, beloved of many, com propitiously with the wise and happy divinities"

Rig Veda 8.18.6

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अदितिर्नो दिवां प	शुमदिति॒र्नक्त॒मद्वंयाः । अदि	तिः
पालंहंसः सुदावृंध		
	ाशुमदितिर्नक्तमद्वयाः । अदि	तिः
पात्वंहसः सदावृध		
aditir no divā p	aśum aditir naktam advay	āh aditih
pātv amhasah s	adāvrdhā	

English translation:

"May Aditi protect our cattle by day, ad, free from duplicity (guard them) by night; may Aditi, by herconstant favour, preserve us from sin."

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These qualities of protection, safety pertain to motherly qualities, which become especially relevant to the 4th pada of Punarvasu nakshatra. This pada (quarter) is in Cancer rashi, as well as Cancer navamsa. Cancer is the natural 4th house, which denotes mother.

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In summary, Aditi mainly denotes the qualities related to motherhood, safety, protection, being free of defects, ideal, moral, truthful, consuming everything, good public speaking skills.

e.g. Sun here could make one a charming public speaker, motivator, politician.



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Mars may make one go into fields of protection, safety (soldier, watchman).

Moon here will inculcate many motherly qualities in the person & will be truthful. This nakshatra is the JANMA NAKSHATRA of Shri Ram. #JaiShriRam.



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