

### **Bussharito Stupa**

At the easternmost area of the temple grounds is a large, dome-shaped brick stupa (*bussharito*) that serves as an ossuary: a final resting place for bones of the deceased. It was built in 1968 in the style of a traditional Indian stupa intended to enshrine relics of the Buddha, a structure not commonly found at Japanese temples. Just south of the stupa stands a *torana*, a tall ceremonial stone gateway also replicating those found in India. The stupa is not open to the public, but the rare architecture can be appreciated from the outside.