RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE CALENDAR
July 2018 - June 2019

NOTE 1. * Holy days usually begin at sundown the day before this date.
2. ** Local or regional customs may use a variation of this date.
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JULY 2018

9    Martyrdom of the Bab * - Baha'i
11   St. Benedict Day - Catholic Christian
13-15 Obon (Ulambana) ** - Buddhist - Shinto
15   St. Vladimir the Great Day - Orthodox Christian
22   Tish'a B'av * - Jewish
24   Pioneer Day - Mormon Christian
25   St. James the Great Day - Christian
27   Asalha Puja Day ** - Buddhist

AUGUST 2018

1    Lammas - Christian
     Fast in Honor of Holy Mother of Jesus – Orthodox Christian
2    Lughnassad – Imbolc * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)
6    Transfiguration of the Lord - Orthodox Christian
15   Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Catholic Christian
     Dormition of the Theotokos - Orthodox Christian
22-25 Eid al Adha * - Islam
29   Beheading of St. John the Baptist – Christian
     Raksha Bandhan ** - Hindu

SEPTEMBER 2018

1    Religious year begins - Orthodox Christian
3    Krishna Janmashtami ** - Hindu
8    Nativity of Virgin Mary – Christian
10-11 Rosh Hashanah * - Jewish
12 New Year-Hijra * - Islam
13 Ganesh Chaturthi ** - Hindu
14 Elevation of the Life Giving Cross (Holy Cross) – Christian
Paryushana Parva ** - Jain
19 Yom Kippur * - Jewish
21 Ashura * - Islam
22 Equinox
Mabon - Ostara * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
24-30 Sukkot * - Jewish
27 Meskel - Ethiopian Orthodox Christian
29 Michael and All Angels – Christian

OCTOBER 2018
1 Shemini Atzeret * - Jewish
2 Simchat Torah * - Jewish
4 Saint Francis Day – Catholic Christian
Blessing of the Animals – Christian
8 Thanksgiving – Canada – Interfaith
9-16 Navaratri ** - Hindu
18 St. Luke, Apostle & Evangelist – Christian
19 Dasara ** - Hindu
20 Birth of the B'ab * - Baha'i
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth - Sikh
28 Reformation Day ** - Protestant Christian
Milvian Bridge Day – Christian
31 All Hallow’s Eve - Christian
Reformation Day - Protestant Christian

NOVEMBER 2018
1 All Saints' Day - Christian
Samhain – Beltane * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
2 All Souls Day - Catholic Christian
7 Diwali - Hindu – Sikh - Jain
8  Jain New Year ** – Jain
    Vikram New Year ** - Hindu
12  Birth of Baha'u'llah * - Baha'i
15  Nativity Fast begins – ends Dec. 24 - Orthodox Christian
21  Mawlid an Nabi * - Islam
22  Thanksgiving USA – Interfaith
23  Guru Nanak Dev Sahib birthday - Sikh
25  Christ the King - Christian
26  Day of the Covenant * - Baha'i
28  Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha* - Baha’i
30  St. Andrew's Day - Christian

DECEMBER 2018

2-24  Advent – Christian
3-10  Hanukkah * - Jewish
6    Saint Nicholas Day - Christian
8    Bodhi Day (Rohatsu) - Buddhist
     Immaculate Conception of Mary - Catholic Christian
12    Feast Day - Our Lady of Guadalupe - Catholic Christian
16-25  Posadas Navidenas – Hispanic Christian
21    Solstice
     Yule - Litha * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
     Yule - Christian
24    Christmas Eve – Christian
25    Christmas * - Christian
     Feast of the Nativity ** - Orthodox Christian
26    Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet Zarathushtra) ** - Zoroastrian
     St. Stephen’s Day – Christian
28    Holy Innocents - Christian
30    Holy Family – Catholic Christian
31    Watch Night – Christian
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MARCH 2019

1  St. David of Wales - **Christian**
   Intercalary Days end - **Baha’i**

2-20  Nineteen Day Fast * - **Baha’i**

3  Meatfare Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**
   Transfiguration Sunday - **Christian**

4  Maha Shivaratri ** - **Hindu**

5  Shrove Tuesday – **Christian**

6  Ash Wednesday-Lent begins - **Christian**

10 Cheesefare Sunday – **Orthodox Christian**

11 Clean Monday–Lent begins - **Orthodox Christian**

13 Birthday of L. Ron Hubbard - **Scientology**

17 Orthodox Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**
   St. Patrick's Day – **Christian**

19  St. Joseph’s Day – **Christian**

20 Equinox
   Ostara - Mabon* - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)

21 Hola Mohalla – **Sikh**
   Holi ** - **Hindu**
   Lord’s Evening Meal – Jehovah’s Witness Christian
   Magha Puja Day ** - **Buddhist**
   Naw-Rúz (New Year) * - **Baha’i**
   Norooz (New Year) - **Persian/Zoroastrian**
   Purim * - **Jewish**

25  Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – **Christian**

28 Khordad Sal (Birth of Prophet Zarathustra) ** - **Zoroastrian**

APRIL 2019

3  Laylat al Miraj * - **Islam**

6  New Year ** - **Hindu**

6-14 Ramayana ** - **Hindu**

9  Mahavir Jayanti ** - **Jain**

14  Baisakhi (Vaisakhi) ** - **Sikh**
   Palm Sunday – **Christian**
   Ramanavami ** - **Hindu**
<APRIL 2019 cont’d>

18  Maundy Thursday - Christian

19-21  Theravadin New Year ** - Buddhist

19  Good Friday – Christian
    Hanuman Jayanti ** - Hindu

20-27  Pesach (Passover) * - Jewish

20  Lazarus Saturday – Orthodox Christian

21  Easter – Christian
    First Day of Ridvan * - Baha’i
    Lailat al Bara’ah * - Islam
    Palm Sunday – Orthodox Christian

23  St. George’s Day – Christian

26  Holy Friday – Orthodox Christian

28  Pascha (Easter) – Orthodox Christian

29  Ninth Day of Ridvan - Baha’i

30  St. James the Great Day – Orthodox Christian

MAY 2019

1  Beltane - Samhain * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)

2  Last Day of Ridvan * - Baha’i
    National Day of Prayer USA - InterFaith
    Yom HaShoah - Jewish

3  Saints Philip & James – Christian

6  Ramadan begins * – Islam

9  Yom Ha’Atzmaut * - Jewish

18  Visakha Puja –Buddha Day** - Buddhist

23  Declaration of the Bab * - Baha’i
    Lag B’Omer * - Jewish

29  Ascension of Baha'u'llah * - Baha’i

30  Ascension of Jesus – Christian
JUNE 2019

1 Laylat al Kadr * - Islam
5-7 Eid al Fitr * - Islam
6 Ascension of Jesus - Orthodox Christian
9 St. Columba of Iona – Celtic Christian
  Pentecost – Christian
9-10 Shavuot * - Jewish
15 Saint Vladimir Day – Christian
16 Guru Arjan martyrdom – Sikh
  Trinity Sunday – Christian
19 New Church Day - Swedenborgian Christian
20 Corpus Christi - Catholic Christian
21 Solstice
  Litha - Yule * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)
22 First Nations Day – Canadian Native People
23 All Saints – Orthodox Christian
28 Sacred Heart of Jesus - Catholic Christian
29 Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul - Christian

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