**RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE CALENDAR**  
**July 2018 - June 2019**

*NOTE 1.* Holy days usually begin at sundown the day before this date.  
*NOTE 2.* Local or regional customs may use a variation of this date.  
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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
<NOVEMBER 2018 cont’d>

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
**JANUARY 2019**

1. Mary, Mother of God - **Catholic Christian**  
   Feast Day of St. Basil - **Orthodox Christian**  
   Gantan-sai (New Years) - **Shinto**  
   Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus – **Orthodox Christian**

5. Twelfth Night – **Christian**  
   Guru Gobindh Singh birthday - **Sikh**

6. Epiphany - **Christian**  
   Feast of the Epiphany (Theophany) - **Orthodox Christian**  
   Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Day) – **Christian**  
   Nativity of Christ – **Armenian Orthodox**

7. Feast of the Nativity ** – **Orthodox Christian**

8. Feast of the Holy Family – **Catholic Christian**

13. Maghi - **Sikh**  
   Baptism of the Lord Jesus - **Christian**

17. Blessing of the Animals – **Hispanic Catholic Christian**

18-25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - **Christian**

19. Timkat – **Ethiopian Orthodox Christian**

20. World Religion Day - **Baha’i**  
   Tu BiShvat* - **Jewish**

21-23 Mahayana New Year ** - **Buddhist**

25. Conversion of Saint Paul – **Christian**

**FEBRUARY 2019**

2. Candlemas - Presentation of Christ in the Temple - **Christian**  
   Imbolc - Lughnassad * - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)  
   Saint Brigid of Kildare - **Celtic Christian**

   Setsubun Sai (beginning of spring) - **Shinto**

3. Four Chaplains Sunday – **Interfaith**

5. Chinese New Year – **Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist**

8. Nirvana Day - **Buddhist**

10. Vasant Panchami ** - **Hindu**

14. St. Valentine’s Day - **Christian**

15. Nirvana Day ** - **Buddhist-Jain**

17. Triodion begins – **Orthodox Christian**

26. Intercalary Days begin - **Baha’i**
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
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
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