

RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE CALENDAR

July 2019 - June 2020

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.*
3. **Bold Large Letters - Most important holy dates for religions**
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JULY 2019

- 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**
- 16 **Asalha Puja Day ** - Buddhist**
- 24 Pioneer Day - **Mormon Christian**
- 25 St. James the Great Day - **Christian**

AUGUST 2019

- 1 Lammas - **Christian**
Lughnassad – Imbolc * - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)
Fast in Honor of Holy Mother of Jesus – **Orthodox Christian**
- 6 Transfiguration of the Lord - **Orthodox Christian**
- 10 Tish'a B'av * - **Jewish**
Waqf al Arafa * - **Islam**
- 12-15 **Eid al Adha * - Islam**
- 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - **Catholic Christian**
Dormition of the Theotokos - **Orthodox Christian**
Raksha Bandhan ** - **Hindu**
- 23 **Krishna Janmashtami ** - Hindu**
- 29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist – **Christian**

SEPTEMBER 2019

- 1 Ecclesiastical year begins - **Orthodox Christian**
Hijra - New Year * - **Islam**
- 2 Ganesh Chaturthi ** - **Hindu**
- 3 **Paryushana Parva ** - Jain**
- 8 Nativity of Virgin Mary – **Christian**
- 10 Ashura * - **Islam**
- 14 Elevation of the Life Giving Cross (Holy Cross) – **Christian**
- 23 Equinox
Mabon - Ostara * - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
- 27 Meskel - **Ethiopian Orthodox Christian**
- 29 Michael and All Angels – **Christian**
- 29 Sept-8 Oct. Navaratri ** - **Hindu**
- 30 Sept-1 Oct. **Rosh Hashanah * - Jewish**

OCTOBER 2019

- 4 Saint Francis Day – **Catholic Christian**
Blessing of the Animals – **Christian**
- 8 **Dasara ** - Hindu**
- 9 **Yom Kippur * - Jewish**
- 14-20 Sukkot * - **Jewish**
- 14 Thanksgiving – Canada – **Interfaith**
- 18 St. Luke, Apostle & Evangelist – **Christian**
- 20 Birth of the B'ab * - **Baha'i**
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth - **Sikh**
- 21 Shemini Atzeret * - **Jewish**
- 22 Simchat Torah * - **Jewish**

<OCTOBER 2019 cont'd>

- 27 Christ the King - **Christian**
Diwali – Sikh - Hindu - Jain
- 28 Milvian Bridge Day – **Christian**
Jain New Year ** – **Jain**
Vikram New Year ** - **Hindu**
- 29 Reformation Day ** - **Protestant Christian**
- 31 All Hallow's Eve - **Christian**
Reformation Day - **Protestant Christian**

NOVEMBER 2019

- 1 All Saints' Day - **Christian**
Samhain – Beltane * - Wicca/Pagan (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
- 2 All Souls Day - **Catholic Christian**
- 10 Mawlid an Nabi * - **Islam**
- 12 Birth of Baha'u'llah * - **Baha'i**
Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib - Sikh
- 15 Nativity Fast begins – ends Dec. 24 - **Orthodox Christian**
- 24 Christ the King - **Christian**
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur - **Sikh**
- 26 Day of the Covenant * - **Baha'i**
- 28 Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha* - **Baha'i**
Thanksgiving – **Interfaith USA**
- 30 St. Andrew's Day - **Christian**

DECEMBER 2019

- 1-24 Advent – **Christian**
- 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 - **Christian**
Yule - Litha * - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern hemispheres)
- 23-30 Hanukkah * - **Jewish**
- 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**
- 27 Saint John – Apostle and Evangelist – **Christian**
- 28 Holy Innocents - **Christian**
- 29 Holy Family – **Catholic Christian**
- 31 Watch Night – **Christian**

JANUARY 2020

- 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**

- 10-12 Mahayana New Year ** - **Buddhist**

- 12 Baptism of the Lord Jesus - **Christian**

- 13 Maghi - **Sikh**

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

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

- 19 World Religion Day * - **Baha'i**

- 20 Timkat – **Ethiopian Orthodox Christian**

- 25 **Chinese New Year – Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist**
Conversion of Saint Paul – **Christian**

- 28 Tu BiShvat* - **Jewish**

- 30 Vasant Panchami ** - **Hindu**

FEBRUARY 2020

- 2 Candlemas - Presentation of Christ in the Temple - **Christian**
Imbolc - Lughnassad * - **Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)
Saint Brigid of Kildare - **Celtic Christian**
Four Chaplains Sunday – **Interfaith**
- 3 St. Blaze Day – **Christian**
Setsubun Sai (beginning of spring) - **Shinto**
- 8 Nirvana Day - **Buddhist**
- 9 Triodon begins – **Orthodox Christian**
- 14 St. Valentine's Day - **Christian**
- 15 Nirvana Day ** - **Buddhist - Jain**
- 22 Maha Shivaratri ** - **Hindu**
- 23 Meatfare Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**
Transfiguration Sunday - **Christian**
- 25 Shrove Tuesday – **Christian**
- 26 Intercalary Days begin - **Baha'i**
Ash Wednesday-Lent begins - **Christian**

MARCH 2020

- 1 St. David of Wales - **Christian**
Intercalary Days end - **Baha'i**
Cheesefare Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**

- 2 Clean Monday – Great Lent begins - **Orthodox Christian**

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

- 8 Orthodox Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**

- 9 **Magha Puja Day ** - Buddhist**

- 10 Holi ** - **Hindu**
Purim * - **Jewish**
Hola Mohalla – **Sikh**

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

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

- 19 St. Joseph's Day – **Christian**
Lord's Evening Meal – **Jehovah's Witness Christian**

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

- 21 Naw-Rúz (New Year) * - **Baha'i**
Norooz (New Year) - **Persian/Zoroastrian**

- 25 Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary – **Christian**
Hindi New Year ** - **Hindu**

- 3/25-4/2 Ramayana ** - **Hindu**

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

APRIL 2020

- 2 Ramanavami ** - **Hindu**
- 3 Laylat al Miraj * - **Islam**
- 5 Palm Sunday – **Christian**
- 8 Hanuman Jayanti ** - **Hindu**
- 9 Mahavir Jayanti ** - **Jain**
Maundy Thursday - **Christian**
- 9-11 Theravadin New Year ** - **Buddhist**
- 9-15 **Pesach (Passover) * - Jewish**
- 10 **Good Friday – Christian**
- 11 Lazarus Saturday – **Orthodox Christian**
- 12 **Easter – Christian**
Palm Sunday – **Orthodox Christian**
- 14 Baisakhi (Vaisakhi) ** - **Sikh**
- 17 Holy Friday – **Orthodox Christian**
- 19 **Pascha (Easter) – Orthodox Christian**
- 21 Yom HaShoah - **Jewish**
First Day of Ridvan * - **Baha'i**
Lailat al Bara'ah * - **Islam**
- 23 St. George's Day – **Christian**
- 24 **Ramadan begins * – Islam**
- 27 **Mahavir Jayanti ** - Jain**
- 29 Ninth Day of Ridvan - **Baha'i**
Yom Ha'Atzmaut * - **Jewish**
- 30 St. James the Great Day – **Orthodox Christian**

MAY 2020

- 1 **Beltane - Samhain * - Wicca/Pagan** (Northern & Southern Hemispheres)
- 2 Last Day of Ridvan * - **Baha'i**
- 3 Saints Philip & James – **Christian**
- 7 **Visakha Puja** – Buddha Day** - **Buddhist**
National Day of Prayer USA –**InterFaith**
- 12 Lag B'Omer * - **Jewish**
- 21 Ascension of Jesus – **Christian**
- 23 **Declaration of the Bab *** - Baha'i
- 29 **Ascension of Baha'u'llah *** - Baha'i
Ascension of Jesus - **Orthodox Christian**
- 29-30 Shavuot * - **Jewish**
- 31 **Pentecost – Christian**

JUNE 2020

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

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