2027

MULTIFAITH CALENDAR

Religious festivals and holy days throughout 2027

Baha'i · Buddhism · Christianity · Hinduism · Jainism · Judaism · Islam · Pagan / Wiccan · Rastafari · Shinto · Sikhism · Zoroastrianism

JANUARY

1-3 Shogatsu / Hatsumode
Welcomes the new year with prayers and first shrine visits.

6 Epiphany (fixed date)
Celebrates Christ's manifestation, with traditions emphasizing Magi or baptism.

7 Christmas (Julian)
Celebrates Jesus Christ's birth on the Julian liturgical calendar.

15 Makar Sankranti / Pongal
Seasonal thanksgiving honors the sun, harvest, and renewed abundance.

15 Guru Gobind Singh (lunar)
Celebrates the birth of Guru Gobind Singh, tenth Sikh Guru.

FEBRUARY

1-2 Imbolc (Northern Hemisphere)
Welcomes returning light and the earliest signs of spring.

3 Setsubun
Seasonal rites use bean throwing to welcome good fortune.

7 Losar (Tibetan)
Welcomes the Tibetan new year with prayer and renewal.

8 Feb-8 Mar Ramadan*~
Begins a month of fasting, prayer, charity, and reflection.

10 Ash Wednesday
Opens Lent with repentance, prayer, fasting, and charitable giving.

11 Vasant Panchami
Honors Saraswati, celebrating learning, creativity, and the arrival of spring.

15 Parinirvana Day (Japanese)
Remembers the Buddha's passing and entry into final nirvana.

21 Magha Puja (Thai)
Commemorates the gathering of disciples and the Buddha's teachings.

MARCH

2-20 Baha'i Fast*
Daily fasting encourages prayer, reflection, and renewal before Naw-Rúz.

6 Maha Shivaratri
Devotional fasting and night vigils honor Shiva.

6 Laylat al-Qadr (27th night)*~
Night of worship recalling the Qur'an's revelation to Muhammad.

9 Eid al-Fitr*~
Celebrates Ramadan's completion through prayer, generosity, and community gatherings.

15 Great Lent begins (Orthodox)
Begins the Orthodox season of repentance and preparation for Pascha.

20 Ostara / equinox (UTC)
Marks spring's equinox with themes of balance and renewal.

MARCH · CONT.

21 Naw-Ruz*
Welcomes the Bahá'í new year after the annual fasting period.

21 Palm Sunday (Western)
Recalls Jesus' entry into Jerusalem at the beginning of Holy Week.

21 Nowruz (Fasli)
Welcomes the Fasli new year with springtime renewal and celebration.

22 Holi
Welcomes spring with color, joy, and the triumph of good.

23 Purim*
Celebrates Jewish deliverance in the story of Esther.

23-25 Hola Mohalla
Brings together martial skills, spiritual poetry, and communal service.

26 Good Friday (Western)
Remembers the crucifixion and death of Jesus Christ.

26 Khordad Sal (Fasli)
Honors Zarathushtra's birth and the wisdom of his teachings.

28 Easter (Western)
Celebrates Jesus Christ's resurrection and the promise of new life.

APRIL

14 Vaisakhi
Commemorates the Khalsa's founding by Guru Gobind Singh.

15 Rama Navami
Celebrates Rama's birth and his example of righteous living.

19 Mahavir Jayanti
Honors Mahavira's birth as the twenty-fourth Jain Tirthankara.

21 Ridvan First Day*
Marks Bahá'u'lláh's declaration of his mission as God's messenger.

21 Grounation Day
Remembers Haile Selassie I's historic visit to Jamaica.

22-29 Passover (Diaspora)*
Recalls liberation from slavery in Egypt through ritual and storytelling.

29 Ridvan Ninth Day*
Remembers Bahá'u'lláh's family joining him in the Garden of Ridván.

30 Good Friday (Orthodox)
Remembers Christ's crucifixion through solemn prayer and liturgy.

MAY

1 Beltane (Northern Hemisphere)
Celebrates life's flourishing and the beginning of the summer season.

MAY · CONT.

2 Ridvan Twelfth Day*
Recalls Bahá'u'lláh's departure from Ridván with his family.

2 Pascha (Orthodox)
Celebrates Christ's resurrection, the central feast of Orthodox Christianity.

6 Ascension (Western)
Recalls Christ's ascension to heaven forty days after Easter.

15 Day of Arafah*~
Pilgrims gather at Arafat for Hajj's central day of prayer.

16 Pentecost (Western)
Celebrates the Holy Spirit's descent upon the disciples.

16 Eid al-Adha*~
Honors Ibrahim's devotion through sacrifice, prayer, and sharing with others.

20 Vesak
Honors the Buddha's birth, awakening, and final passing.

24 Declaration of Bab*
Commemorates the Báb's announcement of his mission in 1844.

29 Ascension of Baha'u'llah*
Remembers Bahá'u'lláh's passing with prayer and devotional gatherings.

JUNE

6 Islamic New Year*~
Begins Muharram and a new year of the Hijri calendar.

11-12 Shavuot (Diaspora)*
Celebrates the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai.

15 Ashura*~
A day of fasting or mourning across Muslim traditions.

16 Guru Arjan (Nanakshahi)
Remembers Guru Arjan's martyrdom and enduring spiritual legacy.

20 Pentecost (Orthodox)
Orthodox celebration of the Holy Spirit's descent upon the apostles.

21 Litha / solstice (UTC)
Celebrates the summer solstice and the year's longest daylight.

30 Nagoshi no Harae
Midyear purification rites renew spiritual and communal wellbeing.

JULY

10 Martyrdom of Bab*
Commemorates the execution of the Báb and his steadfast faith.

18 Asalha Puja (Thai)
Recalls the Buddha's first teaching and the beginnings of the Sangha.

23 Haile Selassie I birthday
Honors Haile Selassie I's birth within Rastafari communities.

AUGUST

1 Lughnasadh / Lammas (North)
Gives thanks for the first harvest and the earth's abundance.

12 Tisha B'Av*
A day of fasting and mourning for the destroyed Temples.

13-16 Obon (August observance)
Honors departed ancestors through remembrance, offerings, and family gatherings.

14 Mawlid (Sunni date)*~
Commemorates the Prophet Muhammad's birth in communities observing this occasion.

15 Assumption of Mary (Catholic)
Catholic feast of Mary's being taken into heavenly glory.

17 Raksha Bandhan
Celebrates sibling affection and protection through the tying of rakhis.

25 Krishna Janmashtami
Celebrates Krishna's birth with devotion, worship, and joyful festivities.

28 Aug-4 Sep Paryushana (India Shvetambara)
A period of fasting, reflection, study, and renewed nonviolence.

SEPTEMBER

4 Ganesh Chaturthi
Honors Ganesha's birth and his role as remover of obstacles.

4 Samvatsari (India Shvetambara)
Concludes Paryushana with repentance and the seeking of mutual forgiveness.

23 Mabon / equinox (UTC)
Marks autumn's equinox with harvest gratitude and reflection on balance.

30 Sharad Navratri begins
Begins nine nights honoring the divine feminine in varied traditions.

OCTOBER

2-3 Rosh Hashanah*
Welcomes the Jewish new year with reflection, prayer, and renewal.

9 Dussehra
Celebrates the victory of good over evil in varied traditions.

11 Yom Kippur*
A solemn day of atonement, fasting, and seeking forgiveness.

16-22 Sukkot*
Temporary shelters recall the Israelites' wilderness journey and divine protection.

24 Simchat Torah (Diaspora)*
Celebrates completing and restarting the annual cycle of Torah readings.

OCTOBER · CONT.

29 Diwali
Lights and Lakshmi worship celebrate prosperity, hope, and spiritual renewal.

29 Jain Diwali
Commemorates Mahavira's liberation, illuminating the path of spiritual freedom.

29 Bandi Chhor Divas
Recalls Guru Hargobind's release from captivity alongside fifty-two princes.

30 Birth of the Bab*
Honors the birth of the Báb, herald of the Bahá'í Faith.

31 Birth of Baha'u'llah*
Celebrates the birth of Bahá'u'lláh, founder of the Bahá'í Faith.

31 Oct-1 Nov Samhain (Northern Hemisphere)
Honors ancestors and marks the close of the harvest season.

NOVEMBER

1 All Saints Day (Western)
Honors all Christian saints, known and unknown.

2 Coronation Day
Commemorates Haile Selassie I's coronation as Emperor of Ethiopia.

14 Guru Nanak Gurpurab
Celebrates Guru Nanak's birth and the founding vision of Sikhism.

15 Shichi Go San
Shrine visits celebrate children's growth, health, and wellbeing.

24 Guru Tegh Bahadur (Nanakshahi)
Honors Guru Tegh Bahadur's martyrdom in defense of religious freedom.

28 Advent begins (Western)
Begins a season of expectation and preparation for Christ's coming.

DECEMBER

8 Bodhi Day / Rohatsu (Japanese)
Celebrates the Buddha's awakening beneath the Bodhi tree.

22 Yule / solstice (UTC)
Marks the winter solstice and the gradual return of light.

25 Christmas (Gregorian)
Celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ with worship and gathering.

25 Dec-1 Jan '28 Hanukkah*
Lights commemorate the Temple's rededication and the enduring miracle of oil.

26 Zartosht No Diso (Fasli)
Remembers Zarathushtra's death through prayer and reflection on his teachings.

* Begins at sunset the previous day. ~ Local dates may vary. + Concurrent observances.
Jewish: Diaspora. Hindu/Jain: India. Seasonal dates: North / UTC. Full sources and conventions accompany this calendar.

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