

Religious Observances Calendar

- ① Students of this religious tradition are likely to request time off from class for all or some of this observance
- ② The date for this Holy Day/Feast does not change annually
- ❖ Ignatius of Loyola was the Founder of the Society of Jesus & the Patron of Loyola University Chicago
- ☉ Jewish observances begin at sundown
- ★ Observe on certain days

Date	Name of Holy Day/Feast	Religious Tradition	Notes
June 27-July 25	Muharram	Islam	①
July 5-6	Ashura	Islam	①
July 13	Shiva Asar B'Tammuz	Judaism	
July 31	Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola	Catholicism	❖ ②
August 2-3	Tisha B'Av	Judaism	☉
August 15	Assumption of Mary	Catholicism	②
August 14-15	Arba'een	Islam	①
August 15-16	Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	
September 22-24	Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	☉ ①
September 22-October 2	Navratri	Hinduism	★ ①
September 25	Fast of Gedaliah	Judaism	
September 28-October 2	Durga Puja	Hinduism	
October 1-2	Yom Kippur	Judaism	☉ ①
October 2	Dussehra	Hinduism	
October 6-13	Sukkot	Judaism	☉ ①
October 13-15	Shemini Atzeret	Judaism	☉ ①
October 14-15	Simchat Torah	Judaism	☉ ①
October 20	Diwali	Hinduism / Sikhism	①
November 1	All Saints Day	Catholicism	②
November 2	All Souls Day	Catholicism	②
October 22	Birth of the Bab	Baha'i	
October 23	Birth of the Baha'u'llah	Baha'i	

November 5	Guru Nanak Dev Sahib's Birthday	Sikhism		
November 15	Shichigosan	Shinto		2
November 23	Niinamesai	Shinto		2
November 24	Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom	Sikhism		2
November 27	Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha	Baha'i		
November 30	First Sunday of Advent	Catholicism/Christian		
December 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Catholicism	1	
December 25	Christmas	Catholicism/Christian	1	2
December 14-22	Chanukah	Judaism	©	
January 1	Solemnity of Mary	Catholicism	1	
January 1	Gantan-sai	Shinto		
January 6	Epiphany	Catholicism/Christian		
December 30	Tenth of Tevet	Judaism		
January 3	Mahayana New Year	Buddhism		
January 18	World Religion Day	Baha'i		
January 23	Vasant Panchami	Hinduism		
February 3	Setsubun	Shinto		
February 1	Tu B'Shevat	Judaism	©	1 2
March 3	Magha Puja Day	Buddhism		
February 15	Nirvana Day	Buddhist & Jain		
February 15	Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism		
March 2-20	The Nineteen Day Fast	Baha'i		
February 17-March 19	Ramadan Starts	Islam		
February 18	Ash Wednesday	Catholicism/Christian		
March 2	Fast of Esther	Judaism		
March 4	Holi	Hinduism		
March 4	Hola Mohalla	Sikhism		
March 2	Purim	Judaism	©	
March 21	Naw-Rúz	Baha'i		
March 19	Ramadan Ends	Islam		
March 19-20	Eid al-Fitr	Islam		1
March 19-27	Ramayana	Hinduism		

March 26	Rama Navami	Hinduism	
March 31	Sri Mahavir Jayanti	Jain	
April 1-9	Pesach (Passover)	Judaism	☉☆ ①
April 2	Theravadin New Year	Buddhism	
March 29	Palm Sunday	Catholicism/Christian	
April 14	Baisakhi New Year (Vaisakhi)	Sikhism	
April 2	Holy Thursday	Catholicism/Christian	
April 3	Good Friday	Catholicism/Christian	
April 5	Easter	Catholicism/Christian	
April 20 - May 2	Ridvan	Baha'i	
April 13-14	Yom HaShoah	Judaism	☉
April 20-21	Yom HaZikaron	Judaism	☉
April 19	Akshaya Tritiya	Jain	
April 21-22	Yom Ha'atzmaut	Judaism	☉
May 1	Vesak	Buddhism	
May 23	Declaration of the Bab	Baha'i	
May 28-29	Ascension of Baha'u'llah	Baha'i	
May 21-23	Shavuot	Judaism	☉☆ ①
May 26-27	Eid al-Adha	Islam	①
July 10	Martyrdom of the Bab	Baha'i	
July 29	Asalha Puja Day	Buddhism	①