



# CROSS-RELIGIOUS CELEBRATION CALENDAR 2024

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- Japanese/Shinto
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- Jewish
- Christian
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- Neo Pagan/Wiccan
- Sikh
- Buddhist
- Hindu
- Rastafarian
- Other

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Clock change

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### Bahai

- 26-Feb **Ayyám-i-Há (Intercalary Days)**
- 29-Feb **Ayyám-i-Há end**
- 01-Mar **Feast of Ala (Start of Nineteen Day Fast)**
- 20-Mar Naw-Rúz
- 20-Apr **Ridván (1st, 9th, 12th are holy days)**
- 23-May Declaration of the Báb
- 28-May Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh
- 09-Jul Martyrdom of the Báb
- 02-Nov Birth of the Báb
- 03-Nov **Birth of Bahá'u'lláh**

### Japanese/Shinto

- 01-Jan **Gantan-sai/Oshōgatsu (New Year's Day)**
- 01-Jan Hatsumode (First Shrine Visits of the year)
- 15-Jan Dōsojin (Fire Festival)
- 03-Feb Setsebun Sai (Bean Scattering/Spring Festival)
- 29-Apr **Shōwa no Hi (Emperor Hirohito's Birthday)**
- 05-May **Kodomo no Hi (Children's Day)**
- 08-May Hana-Matsuri (Flower Festival)
- 13-Aug **Obon - Festival of Souls (3 days)**
- 16-Sep Keirō no Hi (Respect for the Aged Day)
- 31-Dec **Ōmisoka (New Year's Eve)**

### Christian

Western, Roman Catholic & most Protestant

- Respect** Roman Catholic No meat on Fridays or Ash Weds during Lent (fish allowed), observant RC may wish to take time off on Holy Days of Obligation, especially those marked\* (others not shown)
- 14-Feb F Ash Wednesday\* (start of Lent, end 6 April)
- 24-Mar Palm Sunday, Holy Week starts
- 29-Mar **Good Friday\***
- 31-Mar **Easter Sunday**
- 19-May **Pentecost\***
- 25-Dec R **Christmas Day**
- 31-Dec Watch Night (Pentecosta, not RC)

### Neo Pagan/Wiccan

- 02-Feb Imbolc
- 21-Mar Ostara
- 01-May **Beltane**
- 20-Jun Litha (Midsummer's Day)
- 01-Aug Lughnasadh
- 21-Sep Mabon (9 days)
- 01-Nov **Samhain**
- 21-Dec Yule (12 days)

### DKK Danish Bank Holidays

- 01-Jan New Year's Day
- 28-Mar Maundy Thursday
- 29-Mar Good Friday
- 01-Apr Easter Monday
- 09-May Christ's Ascension
- 10-May Bank Holiday
- 20-May 2. Pentecost
- 05-Jun Constitution Day
- 24-Dec Christmas Eve
- 25-Dec Christmas Day
- 26-Dec Boxing Day
- 31-Dec New Year's Eve

### Buddhist Mahayana (M) Theravada (Th) Tibet (T)

(A) Generally celebrated on the nearest w/e in UK

- 15-Feb **Nehan-e/Nirvana Day (M)**
- 24-Feb Cho Trul Duchen (T) (Full Moon)
- 21-Mar **Higan-e (M)**
- 23-May AL **Vesak - Buddha Day (A)**
- 23-May **Saka Dawa (T) (Full Moon)**
- 26-May **Buddha's Birthday**
- 03-Jul **Asala - Dharma Day**
- 22-Sep **Higan-e (M)**
- 17-Oct Kathina (TH) (Full Moon)
- 22-Nov Lhabab Duchen (T) (Full Moon)
- 08-Dec **Jodo-e/Rohatsu/Bodhi Day (M)**

### Muslim

**Respect** Halal meat

- 07-Feb Isra and Mi'raj
- 11-Mar F **Ramadan begins (30 days)**
- 06-Apr F Laylatul Qadr (Night of Power)
- 10-Apr AL **Eid al Fitr - Ramadan ends**
- 16-Jun AL Eid al Adha
- 09-Jul F Muharram (29 days) (New Year)
- 17-Jul F Ashura
- 15-Sep AL Milad un Nabi (Mawlid)

### Zoroastrian

Fasli calendar Dates may vary in Parsi or other Indian Communities

- 24-Jan **Sadeh**
- 11-Mar Frawardigan (split into two 5 day halves)
- 16-Mar Frawardigan (split into two 5 day halves)
- 21-Mar AL Nouruz
- 26-Mar Khرداد Sal
- 26-Dec Zartosht No Diso

### Christian

Eastern Orthodox

- Respect** Many strict fasts-Great Lent most observed
- 07-Jan AL Nativity of the Lord (Orthodox Christmas)
- 08-Jan Replacement Day
- 18-Mar F Start of Great Lent (ends Pascha)
- 28-Apr **Palm Sunday / Start of Holy week**
- 03-May AL **Holy Friday**
- 05-May **Pascha (Orthodox Easter)**
- 23-Jun **Pentecost / Trinity Sunday**

### Jehovah's Witness

- 28-Mar Lord's Evening Meal

### Seventh-Day Adventists

**Respect** Mostly vegetarian, no pork, shellfish, caffeine, alcohol. No festivals / holy days other than Sabbath. Strictly no work.

- Sabbath** (every Sat - starts sunset Friday)

### Aladura

- 22-Aug F Grand Finale of Tabieorar Period (end of 13 days of fasting)

### Church of Jesus Christ & Latter Day Saints (Mormon)

**Respect** No coffee / tea / alcohol. No work on Sundays

- 24-Jul **Pioneer Day**

### Sikh Nanakshahi Calendar

**Respect** Restrictions: Vegan & some dairy exceptions

- 17-Jan Birth of Guru Gobind Singh
- 27-Mar **Hola Mohalla (3 days)**
- 14-Mar Nanakshahi New Year
- 14-Apr AL **Vaisakhi (Sikh New Year)**
- 16-Jun Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev
- 20-Sep **Guru Granth Sahib**
- 20-Oct **Sri Guru Granth Sahib Ji**
- 01-Nov AL **Bhandi Chhor Divas (Diwali)**
- 15-Nov **Guru Nanak Dev Ji Gurburab**
- 24-Nov **Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur**
- 24-Dec **Saka Sirhind (2 days)**

### Secular Days

- 14-Feb Valentine's Day
- 11-Feb Mardi Gras (Fastelavn)
- 08-Mar International Women's Day
- 17-Mar St Patrick's Day
- 20-Mar International Day of Happiness
- 31-Mar Clocks Go Forward - DK
- 07-Apr World Health Day
- 28-Apr World Day for Safety and Health at Work
- 1-May International Workers' Day
- 12-May Mothers Day - DK
- 18-May International Day for Women in Maritime
- 05-Jun Fathers Day - DK
- 23-Jun Saint Hans Eve
- 25-Jun Day of the Seafarer
- 23-Sep The European Week of Sport begins
- 26-Sep World Maritime Day
- 10-Oct World Mental Health Day
- 27-Oct Clocks Go Back - DK
- 31-Oct Halloween
- 13-Dec Lucia Day

⚠ Dates & festivals may vary depending on region/sect/tradition. Some also celebrated as secular festivals

AL Observant followers may wish to take the day off work

☾ Festival starts at sundown or first sighting of moon on the evening before

F Fast: sunrise-sunset

M Mahayana

TH Theravada

T Tibet

A Celebrated by all

**Items in bold are major festivals**

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