













Calendar of Religious Festivals 2013

FAITHS	JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH	APRIL	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER	
Baha'i			21 Naw Ruz	21 1st day of Ridvan	23 Anniversary of the declaration of the Bab 29 Anniversary of the Ascension of Baha'u'llah		9 Anniversary of the Martyrdom of the Bab			20 Anniversary of the Birth of the Bab	12 Anniversary of the Birth of Baha'u'llah		
Buddhist		15 Parinirvana		8 Hanamatsuri 25 Theravadin New Year	25 Visakha Puja Wesak/Buddha Day 28 Hanamatsuri	4 Vesakha Puja	22 Asalha Puja			30 Pavarana	28 Anapasati Day	8 Bodhi Day	
Chinese		10 Yuan Tan (Chinese New Year) 24 Teng Chieh		4 Ch'ing Ming/Festival of Pure Brightness		23 Tuan Yang Chieh		23 Ch'i Hou Chieh (Qixijie) 31 Chung Yuan	19 Chung Ch'iu	23 Ch'ung Yang (Chongyangjie)			
Christian	1 The Circumcision or Naming of Jesus 6 Epiphany (Christian) 13 Baptism of Jesus 18-24 Week of Prayer for Unity	2 The Presentation of the Lord (Catholic) Christian The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Anglican) Christian 12 Shrove Tuesday 13 Ash Wednesday	2 The Womens World Day of Prayers 10 Mothering Sunday 19 St Joseph's Day 25 The Annunciation of the Lord to Mary 24-31 Holy Week 24 Palm Sunday 28 Maundy Thursday (Western) 29 Good Friday (Western) 31 Easter Day	15 Easter Day/Pascha (Orthodox)	9 Ascension Day 19 Pentecost/Whit Sunday 26 Trinity Sunday 30 Corpus Christi	7 Day of Thanksgiving for The Institution of Holy Communion (Anglican)		6 The Transfiguration 15 Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	* Harvest Festival		1 All Saints' Day 2 All Souls' Day	1 Advent Sunday 8 Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 24 Christmas Eve 25 Christmas Day	
Hindu	14 Makar Sankrant/Lohri	15 Vasant Panchami	10 Mahashivratri 27 Holi	11 Varsha-Pratipada 20 Rama Navami 25 Hanuman Jayanti			10 Ratha Yatra	2 Raksha Bandhan 28 Janmashtami/Krishna Jayanti	9 Ganesh Chaturthi	5-13 Navaratri 14 Dussehra 22 Durga Puja	3 Diwali (Deepavali)		
Jain		15 Nirvana Day		23 Mahavira Jayanti					10 Paryushan		3 Diwali (Deepavali)		
Japanese	1 Ganjitsu	3 Setsubun/Bean Scattering	3 Hinamatsuri 21 Shunbun No Hi/Higan	8 Hanamatsuri (in Japan)			14 O-Bon		22 Shubun No Hi (Higan)		15 Shichi-Go-San	31 Omisoka	
Jewish	26 Tu B'Shevat	24 Purim	26 Passover/Pesach	2 Passover(final day) 7 Yom Ha-Shoah 15 Yom Ha'atzma'ut 28 Lag B'Omer	15 Shavuot		16 Tisha B'av		5 Rosh Hashanah 14 Yom Kippur 19-25 Sukkot 27 Simchat Torah		27 Hanukkah		
Muslim	24 The Prophet Muhammad's Birthday Muslim (Sunni)					17 The Prophet's Night Journey and Ascension 23 The Night of Forgiveness (Lailat-UI-Bara'h)	9 Ramadan	3 Lailat-UI-Qadr (Shi'a) 8 Eid-UI-Fitr		15 Eid-UI-Adha The Festival of Sacrifice 25 Yaum-Arafah/ The Day of Arafat	4 Al-Hijra 13 Ashura		
Rastafarian	6/7 Christmas						23 Birthday of Haile Selassie		11 Ethiopian New Year's Day		2 Anniversary of the Crowning of Haile Selassie I		
Sikh	5 Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh		28 Hola Mahalla/ Mohalla	13 Vaisakhi/Baisakhi		16 Martyrdom of Guru Arjan			1 Installation of Sikh Scripture in Harmandir Sahib	20 Conferring of Guruship on Guru Granth Sahib by Guru Gobind Singh 1708	3 Diwali (Bandi Chhor Divas) 17 Birthday of Guru Nanak 24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur		
Zoroastrian (Parsee)			10 Farvardigan 21 Jamshedi Noruz 26 Khordad Sal		26 Zartusht-No-Diso	30 Jashn-e Tirgan		18 Navroze 23 Khordad Sal				26 Zartusht-No-Diso	
Some other notable dates	1 New Year's Day/Hogmanay 27 Holocaust Memorial Day	2 Imbolc (Pagan)	1 St David's Day 17 St Patrick's Day 20 Spring Equinox (Ostara) Vernal Equinox (Druid)	23 St George's Day	1 Beltane (Pagan)	21-22 Midsummer Solstice (Pagan)		1 Lammas/Lughnasadh (Pagan)	22 Autumn Equinox (Mabon) (Pagan)	31 Halloween	1 Samhain 11 Remembrance Day 30 St Andrew's Day	21 Winter Solstice 21 Yule 31 Hogmanay	