















































































# Calendar of Religious Festivals 2005

## Faiths

	Baha'i
	Buddhist
	Chinese
	Christian
	Hindu
	Jain
	Japanese
	Jewish
	Muslim
	Rastafarian
	Sikh
	Zoroastrian (Parsee)

January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
27 Holocaust Memorial Day		21 Naw-Ruz (New Year)	21 April - 2 May 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	
16 Shinran Memorial Day 27 Holocaust Memorial Day 28 Honen Memorial Day	23 Magha Puja	* Losar 3 Hanamatsuri		May-June Saga Dawa 22 Versakha Puja Wesak / Buddha Day 29 Parinirvana		July-August Chokhor 21 Asalha Puja			18 Pavarana 19 Oct - 16 Nov Kathina day		* Bodhi Day
27 Holocaust Memorial Day	9 Yuan Tan 23 Teng Chieh (Lantern Festival)		5 Ch'ing Ming (Festival of Pure Brightness)		11 Dragon Boat Festival				11 Chung Yuan (Festival of Hungry Ghosts)		
1 Naming of Jesus 6 Epiphany, 6-7 Christmas (Eastern Orthodox, Armenian & Rastafarian) 27 Holocaust Memorial Day 18-25 Week of Prayer for Unity	2 Candlemas 8 Shrove Tuesday 9 Ash Wednesday 9 Feb-27 Mar Lent	4 Women's World (Day of prayer) 23 1st day of Lent (Orthodox) 6 Mothering Sunday 13 Passion Sunday 17 St Patrick's Day 20 Palm Sunday 24 Maundy Thursday 25 Good Friday, 27 Easter Day	23 St George's Day	5 Ascension Day 15-21 Christian Aid Week 15 Pentecost 26 Corpus Christi			6 Transfiguration 15 The Assumption	* Sept/Oct Harvest Festival	23-30 Inter Faith Week of Prayer for World Peace	1 All Saints' Day 2 All Souls' Day 13 Remembrance Sunday 27 Advent Sunday 30 St. Andrews Day	8 Immaculate Conception 24 Christmas Eve 25 Christmas Day 26 Boxing Day
14 Makar Sankrant (Lohri) 27 Holocaust Memorial Day	13 Vasanta Panchami/Saraswati Puja	9 Mahashivratri 12 Birthday of Sri Ramakrishna 25 Holi	9 Varsha-Pratipada 17 Rama Navami 24 Hanuman Jayanti			8 Ratha Yatra	19 Raksha Bandhan 26 Janamashtami	7 Ganesh Chaturthi	10-18 Navaratri/Durga Puja/Dussehra	1 Diwali (Deepavali)	
27 Holocaust Memorial Day			21 Mahavira Jayanti				11 Paryushana Parva			1 Diwali 3 New Year	
1-3 Ganjitsu 27 Holocaust Memorial Day	3 Setsubun (Bean Scattering)	8 Hanamatsuri (Flower Festival) 17-23 Shunbun No Hi (Higan) (Spring Equinox)					13-16 O-Bon	20-26 Shubun No Hi (Autumn Equinox)		15 Shichi-Go-San	31 Omisoka
25 Tu B'Shevat 27 Holocaust Memorial Day		24 Purim	24 April -1 May Pesach (Passover)	6 Yom Ha- Shoah 14 Yom Ha' Atzma'Ut 27 Lag B'omer	13-14 Shavuot	14 Tisha B'av			4-5 Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year) 13 Yom Kippur 18-26 Sukkot 26 Simchat Torah		26 Dec - 2 Jan Hanukah
21-24 Eid-UI-Adha (Festival of Sacrifice) 27 Holocaust Memorial Day	10 Al-Hijra (New Years Day) 19 Ashura		21 The Prophet Muhammad's Birthday (20th August 570 CE)					1 The Prophet's Night Journey to Jerusalem and Ascension 19 Lailat-UI-Bara'h (Night of Forgiveness)	4 Oct -3 Nov Ramadan 30 Lailat-UI-Qadr	3 Eid-UI-Fitr	
6-7 Christmas 27 Holocaust Memorial Day						23 Birthday of Haile Selassie		11 Ethiopian New Year's Day		2 Anniversary of the Crowning of Haile Selassie I	
5 Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh	13 Basant	26 Hola Mahalla	14 Vaisakhi (Baisakhi)		16 Martyrdom of Guru Arjan					1 Diwali 15 Birthday of Guru Nanak 24 Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur	
27 Holocaust Memorial Day		21 Jamshedi Noruz (New Year) 26 Khordad Sal (Fasli)		27 Zartusht-No-Diso (Shenshai)			10 - 19 Farvardigan 20 No Ruz (New Year) 25 Khordad Sal (Shenshai)				26 Zartusht-No-Diso (Fasli)

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