

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
July 19- August 17	Muharram	Islam	①
July 27- July 28	Ashura	Islam	①
July 31	Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola	Catholicism ❖	②
August 15	Assumption of Mary	Catholicism	②
September 5-6	Arba'een	Islam	①
September 6-7	Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	
September 15-17	Rosh Hashanah	Judaism ◎	①
September 18	Fast of Gedaliah	Judaism ◎	
September 24- September 25	Yom Kippur	Judaism ◎	①
September 29- October 6	Sukkot	Judaism ◎	①
October 6- October 8	Shemini Atzeret	Judaism ◎	①
October 7- October 8	Simchat Torah	Judaism ◎	①
October 15- October 23	Navratri	Hinduism ★	①
October 20- October 24	Durga Puja	Hinduism	
October 24	Dussehra	Hinduism	
October 16	Birth of the Bab	Baha'i	
October 17	Birth of the Baha'u'llah	Baha'i	
November 1	All Saints Day	Catholicism	②
November 2	All Souls Day	Catholicism	②
November 12	Diwali	Hinduism / Sikhism	①
November 15	Shichigosan	Shinto	

November 23	Niinamesai	Shinto	
November 24	Guru Tegh Bahadur's Martyrdom	Sikhism	
November 27- November 28	Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha	Baha'i	
November 27	Guru Nanak Dev Sahib's Birthday	Sikhism	
December 3	First Sunday of Advent	Catholicism/Christian	
December 7- December 15	Chanukah	Judaism	☉
December 8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Catholicism	①
December 22	Tenth of Tevet	Judaism	☉
December 25	Christmas	Catholicism/Christian	①
January 1	Solemnity of Mary	Catholicism	①
January 1	Gantan-sai	Shinto	
January 6	Epiphany	Catholicism/Christian	
January 21	World Religion Day	Baha'i	
January 24- January 25	Tu B'Shevat	Judaism	☉
January 25	Mahayana New Year	Buddhism	
February 3	Setsubun	Shinto	
February 14	Vasant Panchami	Hinduism	
February 14	Ash Wednesday	Catholicism/Christian	
February 15	Nirvana Day	Buddhist & Jain	
February 24	Magha Puja Day	Buddhism	
February 29- March 19	The Nineteen Day Fast	Baha'i	
March 8	Maha Shivaratri	Hinduism	
March 10	Ramadan Starts	Islam	
March 19.	Nowruz	Baha'i	
March 23	Fast of Esther	Judaism	☉
March 23- March 24	Purim	Judaism	☉
March 24	Palm Sunday	Catholicism/Christian	
March 25	Holi	Hinduism	
March 25- March 27	Hola Mohalla	Sikhism	
March 28	Holy Thursday	Catholicism/Christian	

March 29	Good Friday	Catholicism/Christian		
March 31	Easter	Catholicism/Christian		
April 9	Ramadan Ends	Islam		
April 9- April 10	Eid al-Fitr	Islam		①
April 9- April 17	Ramayana	Hinduism		②
April 13	Baisakhi New Year	Sikhism		
April 17	Ramanavami	Hinduism		②
April 20- May 2	Ridvan	Baha'i		
April 21	Sri Mahavir Jayanti	Jain		
April 22- April 30	Pesach (Passover)	Judaism	⊙	①
April 24- April 26	Theravadin New Year	Buddhism		
May 5	Orthodox Easter	Orthodox		
May 5- May 6	Yom HaShoah	Judaism	⊙	
May 10	Akshaya Tritiya	Jain		
May 12- May 13	Yom HaZikaron	Judaism	⊙	
May 13- May 14	Yom Ha'atzmaut	Judaism	⊙	
May 22- May 23	Declaration of the Bab	Baha'i		
May 23	Vesak	Buddhism		
May 27- May 28	Ascension of Baha'u'allah	Baha'i		
June 11- June 13	Shavuot	Judaism	⊙	①
June 16- June 17	Eid al-Adha	Islam		①
July 9	Martyrdom of the Bab	Baha'i		
July 21	Asalha Puja Day	Buddhism		①