

January 2016

1

Mary, Mother of God - **Catholic Christian**
Feast Day of St Basil - **Orthodox Christian**
Gantan-sai (New Years) - **Shinto**

5

Twelfth Night - **Christian**
Guru Gobindh Singh birthday - **Sikh**

6

Epiphany - **Christian**
Feast of the Epiphany (Theophany) - **Orthodox Christian**
Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Day) - **Christian**
Nativity of Christ - **Armenian Orthodox Christian**

7

Feast of the Nativity - **Orthodox Christian**

8

Feast of the Holy Family - **Catholic Christian**

10

Baptism of the Lord Jesus - **Christian**

13

Maghi - **Sikh**

17

Blessing of the Animals - **Hispanic Catholic Christian**
World Religion Day - **Baha'I**

18-25

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - **Christian**

20

Timkat - **Ethiopian Orthodox Christian**

24-27

Mahayana New Year ** - **Buddhist**

25

Conversion of St. Paul - **Christian**
Tu BiShvat - **Jewish**

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February 2016

1

Clean Monday - **Orthodox Christian**

2

Candlemas - Presentation of Christ in the Temple - **Christian**

Imbolc- Lughnassad * - **Wicca/Pagan** Northern and Southern Hemispheres

Saint Brigid of Kildare - **Celtic Christian**

3

St. Blaise Day - **Christian**

Setsebun sai ** - **Shinto**

7

Four Chaplains Sunday - **Interfaith**

Transfiguration Sunday - **Christian**

8

Chinese New Year - **Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist**

9

Shrove Tuesday - **Christian**

10

Ash Wednesday - **Christian**

12

Triodion - **Orthodox Christian**

Vasant Panshami ** - **Hindu**

14

St. Valentine's Day - **Christian**

15

Nirvana Day ** - **Buddhist - Jain**

26

Intercalary Days begin - **Baha'i**

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March 2016

- 1
St. David of Wales - **Christian**
Intercalary Days end - **Baha'I**
- 2 - 20
Nineteen Day Fast * - **Baha'I**
- 6
Orthodox Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**
- 8
Maha Shivaratri ** - **Hindu**
- 13
Cheesefare Sunday - **Orthodox Christian**
L. Ron Hubbard birthday - **Scientology**
- 17
St Patrick's Day - **Christian**
- 20 Equinox
Ostara * - **Wicca/Pagan** northern hemisphere
Mabon * - **Wicca/Pagan** southern hemisphere
Palm Sunday - **Christian**
- 21
Norooz (New Year) - **Persian/Zoroastrian**
Naw-Rúz (New Year) * - **Baha'I**
- 23
Lord's Evening Meal - **Jehovah's Witness Christian**
Holi ** - **Hindu**
Magha Puja Day - **Buddhist ****
- 24
Purim * - **Jewish**
Maundy Thursday - **Christian**
Hola Mohalla - **Sikh**
- 25
Good Friday - **Christian**
Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - **Catholic Christian**
- 27
Easter - **Christian**
- 28
Khordad Sal (Birth of Prophet Zaranthushttra) ** - **Zoroastrian**
- 30
Mahavir Jayanti ** - **Jain**

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April 2016

8
Hindu New Year ** - Hindu

8-15
Ramayana ** - Hindu

14
Baisakhi (Vaisakhi) ** - Sikh

15
Ramanavami ** - Hindu

21
First Day of Ridvan * - Baha'I

22
Hanuman Jayanti ** - Hindu

22-23
Theravadin New Year ** - Buddhist

23-30
Pesach (Passover) * - Jewish

23
St. George's Day - Christian
Lazarus Saturday - Orthodox Christian

24
Palm Sunday - Orthodox Christian

29
Ninth Day of Ridvan * - Baha'i
Holy Friday - Orthodox Christian

30
St. James the Great Day - Orthodox Christian
Mahavir Jayanti ** - Jain

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May 2016

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Pascha (Easter) - **Orthodox Christian**
Beltane - Samhain * - **Wicca/
Pagan** Northern and Southern
Hemispheres

2
Twelfth Day of Ridvan * - **Baha'i**

3
Saints Philip & James - **Christian**

4
National Day of Prayer - USA - **Interfaith**

5
Lailat al Miraj * - **Islam**
Yom HaShoah * - **Jewish**
National Day of Prayer USA - **Interfaith**
Ascension of Jesus - **Christian**

12
Yom Ha'Atzmaut * - **Jewish**

15
Visakha Puja ** - **Buddhist**
Pentecost - **Christian**

21
Lailat al Bara'ah * - **Islam**

22
Trinity Sunday - **Christian**

23
Declaration of the Bab * - **Baha'i**
Lailat al Bara'a * - **Islam**

26
Lag B'Omer * - **Jewish**
Corpus Christi - **Catholic Christian**

29
Ascension of Baha'u'llah * - **Baha'i**

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June 2016

- 1
Ascension of Jesus - **Orthodox Christian**
- 3
Sacred Heart of Jesus - **Catholic Christian**
- 6
Ramadan begins * - **Islam**
- 9
St. Columba of Iona - **Celtic Christian**
Ascension of Jesus - **Orthodox Christian**
- 12-13
Shavuot * - **Jewish**
- 16
Guru Arjan martyrdom - **Sikh**
- 19
New Church Day - **Swedenborgian Christian**
Pentecost - **Orthodox Christian**
- 20 Solstice
First Nations Day - **Canadian Native People**
Litha * - **Wicca/Pagan** northern hemisphere
Yule * - **Wicca/Pagan** southern hemisphere
- 26
All Saints - **Orthodox Christian**
- 29
Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul - **Christian**

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July 2016

1

Lailat al Kadr * - **Islam**

7-9

Eid al Fitr * - **Islam**

9

Martyrdom of the Bab * - **Baha'I**

11

St Benedict Day - **Catholic Christian**

13-15

Obon (Ulambana) ** - **Buddhist - Shinto**

15

St. Vladimir the Great Day - **Orthodox Christian**

19

Asalha Puja Day ** - **Buddhist**

23

Birthday Emperor Haile Selassi - **Rastafari**

24

Pioneer Day- **Mormon Christian**

25

St. James the Great Day - **Christian**

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August 2016

1

Lammas - **Christian**

Lughnassad - Imbolc * - **Wicca/Pagan** Northern and Southern hemispheres

Fast in honor of Holy Mother of Lord Jesus - **Orthodox Christian**

5

Ganesh Chaturthi ** - **Hindu**

6

Transfiguration of the Lord - **Orthodox Christian**

14

Tish'a B'av * - **Jewish**

15

Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary - **Catholic Christian**

Dormition of the Theotokos - **Orthodox Christian**

18

Raksha Bandhan ** - **Hindu**

25

Krishna Janmashtami ** - **Hindu**

29

Beheading of St. John the Baptist - **Christian**

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September 2016

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Ecclesiastical year begins - **Orthodox Christian**

6-15
Paryushana Parava - **Jain**

8
Nativity of Virgin Mary - **Christian**

10
Waqf al Arafa - Hajj Day * - **Islam**

11-14
Eid al Adha * - **Islam**

14
Elevation of the Life Giving Cross (Holy Cross) - **Christian**

22 Equinox
Mabon * - **Wicca/Pagan** northern hemisphere
Ostata * - **Wicca/Pagan** southern hemisphere

29
Michael and All Angels - **Christian**
Meskel - **Ethiopian Orthodox Christian**

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October 2016

1-10

Navaratri ** - Hindu

2

Muharram - New Year * - Islam

3-4

Rosh Hashanah * - Jewish

4

St Francis Day - Catholic Christian

Blessing of the Animals - Christian

10

Thanksgiving - Canada - Interfaith

11

Dasara ** - Hindu

12

Ashura * - Islam

Yom Kippur * - Jewish

17-23

Sukkot * - Jewish

18

St. Luke, Apostle & Evangelist - Christian

20

Birth of the Báb * - Baha'i

Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth - Sikh

24

Shemini Atzeret * - Jewish

25

Simchat Torah * - Jewish

28

Milvian Bridge Day - Christian

30

Diwali - Deepavali ** - Hindu - Sikh - Jain

31

All Hallows Eve - Christian

Reformation Day ** - Protestant Christian

New Year ** - Jain

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November 2016

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All Saints Day - **Christian**

Samhain - Beltane * **Wicca/Pagan** Northern and southern hemispheres

2

All Souls Day - **Catholic Christian**

12

Birth of Baha'u'llah * - **Baha'I**

14

Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib - **Sikh**

15

Nativity Fast begins - ends Dec. 24 - **Orthodox Christian**

20

Christ the King - **Christian**

24

Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur - **Sikh**

Thanksgiving - **Interfaith USA**

26

Day of the Covenant * - **Baha'I**

27

Advent begins through Dec. 24 - **Christian**

Christ the King - **Christian**

28

Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha * - **Baha'I**

30

St. Andrew's Day - **Christian**

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December 2016

6

Saint Nicholas Day - **Christian**

8

Bodhi Day (Rohatsu) ** - **Buddhism**

Immaculate Conception of Mary - **Catholic Christian**

12

Feast day - Our Lady of Guadalupe - **Catholic Christian**

Mawlid an Nabe * - **Islam**

16-25

Posadas Navidenas - **Hispanic Christian**

14

Mawlid an Nabi * - **Islam**

21 Solstice

Yule * - **Wicca/Pagan** northern hemisphere

Litha * - **Wicca/Pagan** southern hemisphere

Yule - **Christian**

24

Christmas Eve - **Christian**

25

Christmas * - **Christian**

Feast of the Nativity ** - **Orthodox Christian**

25-Jan 1

Hanukkah * - **Jewish**

26

Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet Zarathushtra) ** - **Zoroastrian**

St Stephen's Day - **Christian**

28

Holy Innocents - **Christian**

30

Holy Family - **Catholic Christian**

31

Watch Night - **Christian**

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