2022 Religious Holidays



March 2	Ash Wednesday	+ Christianity	Day of repentance observed by Protestant and Roman Catholic Christians to mark the beginning of Lent
March 2- April 14	Lent	+ Christianity	6-week observance (40 days excluding Sundays) beginning with Ash Wednesday & culminating in Holy Week. It is a time of repentance and sacrifice in preparation for Easter
March 17- March 18	Holi	35 Hinduism	A joyous Hindu festival that announces the arrival of spring and the passing of winter.
April 17	Easter	+ Christianity	Celebrates the resurrection from death of Jesus Christ. It is the oldest and most important holiday in the Christian year.
April 15- April 23	Passover	Judaism	Commemorates the deliverance of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.
April 27- April 28	Yom Hashoah	Judaism	Memorializes the six million Jews who died as victims of the Nazis during World War II and emphasizes respect for human dignity.

May 2-May 3

Eid Al-Fitr



Islam

Marks the end of Ramadan, the month of fasting. It is a time to thank God and celebrate for self-control throughout Ramadan.

May 16	Vesak	Buddhism	The most important festival in Buddhism. Celebrates the day of birth, enlightenment, and death of the Budda.
June 5	Pentecost	+ Christianity	Commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles 50 days after Easter. It is also the birthday of the Church.
July 9- July 13	Eid Al-Adha	(***) Islam	Major Islamic festival that takes place at the end of Hajj, the annual pilgrimage in Mina, Saudi Arabia.
August 24	Paryushana-Parva	35 Janism	Most important annual holiday. It focuses on increasing spiritual intensity, fasting, and prayer.
Sep. 27	Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	A celebration of the Jewish New Year. It begins the 10 Days which culminate in Yom Kippur. One of the important Jewish holidays.
October 4-5	Yom Kippur	Judaism	Holiest day of the year in the Jewish calendar. It focuses on atonement, repentance, and prayer.
October 9-16	Sukkot	Judaism	One of the three pilgrimage festivals on which Israelites were commanded to make pilgrimage to the Temple at Jerusalem.
Sept. 26- Oct. 5	Navaratri	35 Hinduism	Hindu festival spaning nine nights. It is observed for different reasons and celebrated differently in various parts of Hinduism.



Oct. 7-8	Mawlid	(***) Islam	The observation of the birthday of Muhammad. It is observed by a majority of Muslims.
Oct. 24	Dwali	3 Hinduism	A festival of lights and one of the major Hindu holidays It lasts for five days and represents spiritual victory over darkness.
Dec. 18- 26	Hanukkah	Judaism	The Festival of Lights; commemorates the recovery of Jerusalem and the rededication of the Second Temple
Dec. 25	Christmas	+ Christianity	Important Christian holiday celebrating the birth of Christ in Bethlehem.
Dec. 26	Kwanzaa	African American	Celebrates African American culture, culminating in a feast called Karamu on January 1st.

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