

AUPE 2020 INTERFAITH CALENDAR

Knowledge of world religions and holidays is important for creating welcoming, safe spaces where human rights are respected.

Below is a 2020 calendar of some major religious holidays and occasions. The AUPE Human Rights Committee encourages all AUPE members to recognize and learn more about these important religious observances.

**JANUARY**

Guru Gobind Singh's Birthday (Sikh)	January 2
Bodhi Day/Rohatsu (Buddhist)	January 2
Epiphany (Christian)	January 6
Christmas (Orthodox Christian)	January 7
Mahayana New Year (Buddhist)	January 10
Maghi (Sikh)	January 13
New Year (Orthodox Christian)	January 14
Makar Sankranti/Pongal (Hindu)	January 15
World Religion Day (Bahá'í)	January 19
Chinese Lunar New Year	January 25

FEBRUARY

Magha Puja (Buddhist)	February 7
Tu B'Shevat (Jewish)	February 10
Nirvana Day (Buddhist)	February 15
Maha Shivaratri (Hindu)	February 22
Carnival/Shrove Tuesday (Christian)	February 25
Ayyám-i-Há (Bahá'í)	February 25-28
Ash Wednesday (Christian)	February 26

MARCH

Holi (Hindu)	March 9-10
Purim (Jewish)	March 10
Hola Mohalla (Sikh)	March 10-12
Naw-Ruz/New Year's Day (Bahá'í)	March 20
Isra and Mi'raj (Islamic)	March 22
Ramayna (Hindu)	March 25-April 2

APRIL

Rama Navami (Hindu)	April 2
Palm Sunday (Christian)	April 5
Mahavir Jayanti (Jainism)	April 6
Buddha's Birth (Buddhist)	April 8
Maundy Thursday (Christian)	April 9
First day of Passover (Jewish)	April 9
Good Friday (Christian)	April 10
Holy Saturday (Christian)	April 11
Easter (Christian)	April 12
Easter Monday (Christian)	April 13
Vaisakhi (Sikh)	April 13
Last day of Passover (Jewish)	April 16
Good Friday (Orthodox Christian)	April 17
Yom HaShoah (Jewish)	April 21
Ramadan starts (Islamic)	April 24
Yom Ha'atzmaut (Jewish)	April 29

MAY

Lag B'Omer (Jewish)	May 12
Laylatul Qadr (Islamic)	May 19
Ascension Day (Christian)	May 21
Eid al-Fitr (Islamic)	May 23
Shavuot (Jewish)	May 29
Pentecost (Christian)	May 31

JUNE

Whit Monday (Christian)	June 1
Trinity Sunday (Christian)	June 7
Corpus Christi (Christian)	June 11
Race Unity Day (Bahá'í)	June 14
Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib (Sikh)	June 16

JULY

Asalha Puja (Buddhist)	July 5
Birthday of Haile Selassie (Rastafarian)	July 23
Hajj (Islamic)	July 28-Aug 2
Tisha B'Av (Jewish)	July 30
Eid ul Adha (Islamic)	July 31

AUGUST

Raksha Bandhan (Hindu)	August 3
Krishna Janmashtami (Hindu)	August 11
Assumption of Mary (Christian)	August 15
Paryushana (Jainism)	August 16
Muharram, Islamic New Year	August 20
Ashura (Islamic)	August 29

SEPTEMBER

Pitru Paksha begins (Hindu)	September 1
Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)	September 19-20
Yom Kippur (Jewish)	September 28

OCTOBER

First day of Sukkot (Jewish)	October 2
Feast of St. Francis of Assisi (Christian)	October 4
Hoshana Rabbah (Jewish)	October 9
Shemini Atzeret (Jewish)	October 10
Simchat Torah (Jewish)	October 11
Navarati (Hindu)	October 17-25
Birth of the Báb (Bahá'í)	October 18
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth (Sikh)	October 20
Dasara (Hindu)	October 25
Mawlid Al-Nabi (Islamic)	October 28-29
Reformation Day (Christian)	October 28/31

NOVEMBER

All Saints' Day (Christian)	November 1
All Souls' Day (Christian)	November 2
Anniversary, Crowning of Haile Selassie (Rastafarian)	November 2
Diwali (Hindu)	November 14
Bandi-Chhor Divas (Sikh)	November 14
Day of the Covenant (Bahá'í)	November 24-25
First Sunday of Advent (Christian)	November 29
Guru Nanak Dev Ji's Birthday (Sikh)	November 29

DECEMBER

Feast of Immaculate Conception (Christian)	December 8
Bodhi Day (Buddhist)	December 8
First Day of Hanukkah (Jewish)	December 11
Last Day of Hanukkah (Jewish)	December 18
Christmas Eve (Christian)	December 24
Christmas Day (Christian)	December 25