

# Interfaith Religious Holiday Calendar for 2012



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## January 2012

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
30	31					1 New Years Day Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Feast of Basil, Orthodox <b>Gantan-sai</b> , Shinto Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus, Orthodox
2 <i>UK, NI</i> New Year's Day, Eng, Wales, NI	3 <i>SCO</i> New Year's Day Bank Holiday, Sco	4	5 Tweyth Nighy, Christian Guru Gobindh Singh birthday, Sikh	6 Epiphany, Christian Feast of the Theophany, Orthodox Dia de los Reyes, Hispanic Nativity of Christ, Armenian	7 ** Feast of the Nativity, Orthodox	8 Baptism of Lord Jesus, Christian
9 ***Mahayana New Year, Buddhist	10 ***Mahayana New Year, Buddhist	11 ***Mahayana New Year, Buddhist	12 ***Mahayana New Year, Buddhist	13 Maghi, Sikh	14	15 * World Religion Day, Baha'i
16	17 Blessing of the Animals, Hispanic Catholic	18 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian	19 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian	20 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian Timkat, Ethiopian, Orthodox	21 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian	22 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian
23 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian Chinese New Year, Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist	24 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian	25 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Christian Conversion of St. Paul, Christian	26	27 Burns Night	28 ** Vasant Panchami, Hindu	29



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		1	2 <i>Candlemas, Christian Presentation of Christ, Anglican Triodon, Orthodox Christian * Imbolc-Lughnassad, Wicca/Pagan</i>	3 <b>** Maha Shavartri, Hindu Setsubun-sai, Shinto</b>	4 <i>* Mawlid an Nabi, Islam</i>	5 <i>Four Chaplains Sunday, Interfaith</i>
6	7	8 <i>* Tu B'Shvat, Judaism</i>	9	10	11	12
13	14 <i>Saint Valentines day, Christian</i>	15 <b>** Nirvana Day, Buddhist/Jain</b>	16	17	18	19 <i>Meatfare Sunday, Orthodox Transfiguration, Christian</i>
20	21 <i>Shrove Tuesday, Christian</i>	22 <i>Ash Wednesday—start of Lent, Christian</i>	23	24	25	26 <i>* Intercalary Days, Baha'i Cheesefare Sunday, Orthodox Christian</i>
27 <i>* Intercalary Days, Baha'i Clean Monday –Great Lent Begins, Orthodox Christian</i>	28 <i>* Intercalary Days, Baha'i</i>	29 <i>* Intercalary Days, Baha'i</i>				



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			<b>1</b> * Intercalary Days, Baha'i St. David of Wales, Christian	<b>2</b> * Start of 19 Day Fast, Baha'i	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> Orthodox Sunday, Orthodox
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> * Purim, Judaism ** <b>Magha Puja Day</b> , Buddhist ** Holi, Hindu	<b>9</b> Hola Mohalla, Sikh	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> ** Birthday of L. Ron Hubbard, Scientology	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>NI, IRL</b> St. Patrick's Day, Christian	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b> Saint Joseph's Day, Christian	<b>20</b> <b>Equinox</b> * End of 19 Day Fast, Baha'i * Ostara, Wicca/Pagan-Northern * Mabon, Wicca/Pagan-Southern	<b>21</b> * Naw Ruz (New Year), Baha'i Norouz (New Year), Persian/ Zoroastrian	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> ** New Year, Hindu Prophet Zarathustra birth, Zoroastrian ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>24</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>25</b> Summer Time Begins Annunciation of the Blessed Mary, Christian ** Ramayana, Hindu
<b>26</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>27</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>28</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu ** Khordad Sal (birth of Prophet Zarathustra), Zoroastrian	<b>29</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>30</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	<b>31</b> ** Ramayana, Hindu	



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30 <i>St. James the Great Day, Orthodox</i>						1 <i>Palm Sunday, Christian Ramanavami, Hindu</i>
2	3	4	5 <i>Maundy Thursday, Christian</i>	6 <i>Good Friday, Christian Lord's Evening Prayer, Jehovah's Hamman Jayanti, Hindu ** Mahavir Jayanti, Jain ** Theravadin New Year, Buddhist</i>	7 <i>Lazarus Saturday, Orthodox Christian * Pesach (Passover), Judaism ** Theravadin New Year, Buddhist</i>	8 <i>Easter Sunday, Christian Palm Sunday, Orthodox Christian * Pesach (Passover), Judaism ** Theravadin New Year, Buddhist</i>
9 Eng, Wls, NI <i>Easter Monday, Christian * Pesach (Passover), Judaism ** Theravadin New Year, Buddhist</i>	10 <i>* Pesach (Passover), Judaism</i>	11 <i>* Pesach (Passover), Judaism</i>	12 <i>* Pesach (Passover), Judaism</i>	13 <i>* Pesach (Passover), Judaism Holy Friday, Orthodox Christian</i>	14 <i>Baisakhi New Year, Sikh * Pesach (Passover), Judaism</i>	15 <i>Easter/Pascha, Orthodox Christian</i>
16	17	18	19 <i>* Yom HaShoah, Judaism</i>	20	21 <i>* First Day of Ridvan, Baha'i</i>	22
23 <i>St. George Day, Christian</i>	24	25	26	27 <i>* Yom Ha'Atzmaut, Jewish</i>	28	29 <i>* 9th Day of Ridvan, Baha'I</i>



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	1	2 <i>* Twelfth Day of Ridvan, Baha'i</i>	3 <i>National Day of Prayer, Interfaith USA</i>	4	5	6 <i>** Visakha Puja, Buddha Day Buddhist</i>
7 <i>UK, NI May Bank Holiday, UK, NI</i>	8	9	10 <i>* Lag B'Omar, Jewish</i>	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 <i>Ascension Day, Christian</i>	18	19	20
21	22	23 <i>* Declaration of the Bab, Baha'i</i>	24 <i>All Ascension of Jesus, Orthodox Christian</i>	25	26	27 <i>* Pentecost, Christian * Shavuot, Jewish</i>
28 <i>* Shavuot, Jewish</i>	29 <i>* Ascension of Baha'u'llah, Baha'i</i>	30	31			



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				1	2	3 <i>Trinity Sunday, Christian Pentecost, Orthodox Christian</i>
4 <i>UK, NI Spring Bank Holiday, UK, NI</i>	5 <i>Eng, Wls, NI Queen's Diamond Jubilee, Eng, Wls, NI</i>	6	7 <i>Corpus Christi, Catholic Christian</i>	8	9 <i>Saint Columba of Iona, Christian</i>	10 <i>All Saints, Orthodox Christian</i>
11	12	13	14	15 <i>*Sacred Heart of Jesus, Catholic Christian</i>	16 <i>*** Lailat al Miraj, Islam Guru Arjan Dev martyrdom, Sikh</i>	17
18	19 <i>New Church Day, swedenborgian Christian</i>	20 <i>Solstice, * Litha NH, Wicca/Pagen * Yule SH, Wicca/Pagen</i>	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29 <i>Saints Peter and Paul, Christian</i>	30	



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30	31					1
2	3 <i>** Asalha Puja day, Buddhist</i>	4 <i>*** Lailat at Bara'ah, Islam</i>	5	6	7	8
9 <i>* Martyrdom of Bab, Baha'i</i>	10	11	12 <i>NI Battle of Boyne, Orangemen's Day</i>	13 <i>** Obon, Buddhist, Shinto</i>	14 <i>** Obon, Buddhist, Shinto</i>	15 <i>** Obon, Buddhist, Shinto Saint Vladimir, Christian</i>
16 <i>** Obon, Buddhist, Shinto</i>	17	18	19	20 <i>*** Ramadan Begins, Islam</i>	21	22
23 <i>Emperor Haile Selassie I birthday, Rastafari</i>	24 <i>Pioneer Day, Mormon Christian</i>	25 <i>Saint James the Great Day, Christian</i>	26	27	28	29 <i>* Tisha B'Av, Judaism</i>



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		1 <i>Fast in Honour of Holy Mother of Jesus, Orthodox Christian Lammas, Christian</i>	2 <i>** Raksha Bandhan, Hindu</i>	3	4	5
6 <b>SCO</b> <i>Transfiguration of the Lord, Orthodox Christian Summer Bank Holiday, SCO</i>	7	8	9	10 <i>** Krishna Jammashami, Hindu</i>	11	12
13	14 <i>*** Lailat al Kadr, Islam</i>	15 <i>Assumption of Virgin Mary, Catholic Christian Dormition of the Theotokos, Orthodox Christian</i>	16	17	18	19 <i>*** Eid al Fitr, Islam</i>
20 <i>*** Eid al Fitr, Islam</i>	21 <i>*** Eid al Fitr, Islam</i>	22	23	24	25	26
27 <b>Eng, Wls, NI</b> <i>Summer bank Holiday, Eng/ Wales/NI</i>	28	29 <i>Beheading of John the Baptist, Christian</i>	30	31		



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## September 2012

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					1 <i>Ecclesiastical Year begins, Orthodox Christian</i>	2
3	4	5	6	7	8 <i>Nativity of Mary, Christian</i>	9
10	11	12	13	14 <i>Elevation of the Life Giving Cross, Holy Cross Day, Christian</i>	15	16
17 <i>* Rosh HaShanah, Judaism</i>	18 <i>* Rosh HaShanah, Judaism</i>	19 <i>** Ganesh Chaturthi, Hindu</i>	20 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>	21 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>	22 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu * Equinox, Mabone NH, Ostata SH, Wicca/Pagan</i>	23 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>
24 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>	25 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>	26 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu * Yom Kippur, Judaism</i>	27 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu</i>	28 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu Mesket, Ethiopian Orthodox Christian</i>	29 <i>** Paryushana Parva, Hindu Michael and All Angels, Christian</i>	30



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## October 2012

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1 * Sukkot, Judaism	2 * Sukkot, Judaism	3 * Sukkot, Judaism	4 * Sukkot, Judaism Saint Francis Day, Catholic	5 * Sukkot, Judaism	6 * Sukkot, Judaism	7 * Sukkot, Judaism
8 * Shemini, Judaism Thanks Giving, Canada, Interfaith	9 * Simhat Torah, Judaism	10	11	12	13	14
15	16 ** Navaratri, Hindu	17 ** Navaratri, Hindu	18 ** Navaratri, Hindu Saint Luke, Apostle & Evangelist, Christian	19 ** Navaratri, Hindu	20 ** Navaratri, Hindu * Birth of Báb, Baha'I Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth, Sikh	21 ** Navaratri, Hindu
22 ** Navaratri, Hindu	23 ** Navaratri, Hindu	24 ** Dasera, Hindu	25 * Waqf al Arafah, Hajj Day, Islam	26 *** Eid al Adha, Islam	27 *** Eid al Adha, Islam	28 *** Eid al Adha, Islam Milvian Bridge Day, Christian ** Reformation Day, Protestant
29 *** Eid al Adha, Islam	30	31 All Hallows Eve, Christian				



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			<b>1</b> <i>All Saints Day, Christian</i> <i>* Samhain Beltane, N&amp;S, Wicca/Pagan</i>	<b>2</b> <i>All Souls Day, Catholic</i>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <i>** New Year, Jain</i> <i>** Deepavali, Hindu</i>
<b>12</b> <i>** Deepavali, Hindu</i> <i>* Birth of Baha'u'llah, Bahai</i>	<b>13</b> <i>** Deepavali, Hindu</i> <i>** Divali - Deepavali, Hindu/Jain/Sikh</i>	<b>14</b> <i>** Deepavali, Hindu</i>	<b>15</b> <i>** Deepavali, Hindu</i> <i>** Hijra-New Year, Islam</i> <i>Nativity Fast Through 12-25, Orthodox</i>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> <i>Yule, Christian</i>	<b>22</b> <i>Thanks Giving USA, Interfaith</i>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> <i>*** Ashura, Islam</i> <i>Guru Tegh Bahadur Martyrdom, Sikh</i>	<b>25</b> <i>Christ the King, Christian</i>
<b>26</b> <i>* Day of Covenant, Baha'i</i>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> <i>* Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha, Baha'I</i> <i>Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday, Sikh</i>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> <b>SCO</b> <i>Saint Andrew's Day, Christian</i>		



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31					1	2 <i>Advent-First Sunday, Christian</i>
3	4	5	6 <i>Saint Nicholas Day, Christian</i>	7	8 <i>** Rohatsu (Bodhi Day), Buddhist Immaculate Conception of Mary, Catholic</i>	9 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>
10 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	11 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	12 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	13 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	14 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	15 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism</i>	16 <i>* Hanukkah, Judaism Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>
17 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	18 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	19 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	20 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	21 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian *Solstice-Yule NH, Wicca/Pagan -Litha SH, Wicca/Pagan Yule, Christian</i>	22 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	23 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>
24 <i>Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i>	25 <i>* Christmas, ** Feast of Nativity, Orthodox Posadas Navidenas, Christian</i> <b>UK, NI</b>	26 <i>Boxing Day ** Zarathosht Diso (Death of Prophet Zarathustra), Zoroastrian</i> <b>UK, NI</b>	27	28 <i>Holy Innocents, Christian</i>	29	30 <i>Feast of Holy Family, Christian</i>



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