Religious Significance

Solemnity of Mary/Holy Mother of God (Catholic/Certain Orthodox Christian)

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I Jan	vveu	(Catholic/Certain Orthodox Christian) New Year's Day
3 Jan	Frid	Gantan-Sai (New Year) (Shinto) Vasant Panchami (Hindu)
5 Jan	Sun	Eve of Feast of Holy Nativity and Theophany of Jesus Christ (Armenian Orthodox)
6 Jan	Mon	Gurupurab/Birth of Sri Guru Gobindh Singh (Sikh) Feast of Holy Nativity (Certain Orthodox Christian)
		Holy Epiphany/Baptism of Jesus/ Theophany (Melkite and other Catholic/ Certain Orthodox Christian)
7 Jan	Tues	Christmas Day/Nativity of Christ (Armenian Orthodox) Christmas Day/ Holy Nativity of Our Lord Feast
9 Jan	Thurs	(Coptic/certain Orthodox Christian) St Stephen's Day (Serbian Orthodox)
10 Jan 13 Jan	Frid Mon	Mahayana New Year (Buddhist) The Baptism of the Lord (Christian)
		Sakyamuni Buddha's Enlightenment Day (Buddhist) Orthodox New Year's Eve (Certain Orthodox Christian) Maghi – Lohri (Sikh, Hindu)
14 Jan	Tues	Makar Sankranti/Pongal (Hindu) Orthodox New Year (Julian Calendar)
		(Certain Orthodox Christian) Makar Sankranti/Pongal (Hindu)
15 Jan 20 Jan	Wed Mon	Pongal (Hindu) The Holy Epiphany (Coptic/Orthodox Christian) St. John The Bentist Day (Orthodox Christian)
25 Jan	Sat	St John The Baptist Day (Orthodox Christian) Lunar New Year/Tet (Year of the Rat) (Buddhist (Mahayana), Daoist, Confusian)
27 Jan 30 Jan	Mon Thurs	St Sava Day (Serbian Orthodox) Vasant Panchami (Hindu)
1-2 Feb	Sat-Sun	Imbolc (Pagan – Northern hemisphere) Lughnasadh (Pagan – Southern hemisphere)
3 Feb 9 Feb	Mon Sun	Setsebun-sai (beginning of spring) (Shinto) Saint Maroun's Day (Maronite Catholic)
10 Feb	Mon	Magha Puja/Sangha Day (Buddhist) Tu Bishvat (Jewish)
10-12 Feb	Mon-Wed	Magha Puja (Buddhist (Mahayana) Jonah's (Nineveh) Fasting (Coptic Christian)
13 Feb 15 Feb	Thurs Sat	Jonah's (Nineveh) Feast (Coptic Christian) Parinirvana of Buddha Shakyamuni/Nirvana Day (Buddhist (Mahayana))
		The Meeting of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the Temple (Serbian Orthodox)
21 Feb 23 Feb	Frid Sun	Maha Shivaratri (Hindu) Losar/Tibetan New Year Buddhist (Vajrayana)
24 Feb-	Mon-Frid	Tsagaan Sar/Mongolian New Year Holy Great Fast/Lent
10 Apr 25 Feb	Tues	(Coptic Christian) Shrove Tuesday/Pancake Day (Christian)
26 Feb 2 Mar	Mon Till	Ash Wednesday/Lent begins (Christian) Clean Monday – Beginning of the Great Lent (Orthodox Christian)
2-20 Mar 9 Mar	Mon-Frid Mon	Ala/Baha'i Fasting Period (Baha'i) Holi (Sikh, Hindu)
10 Mar 14 Mar	Tues Sat	Purim (Jewish) New Year's Day (Sikh)
14-18 Mar 19 Mar	Sat-Wed Thurs	Dehva Parvanaia (Mandaean) Lord's Evening Meal (Jehovah's Witness Christian)
20 Mar 20-23 Mar	Frid Frid-Mon	Naw-Ruz/Norouz/New Year (Baha'i, Iranian and Kurdish New Year)
20-23 Mar 21 Mar	Frid-Mon Sat	Ostara (Pagan - Northern hemisphere) Mabon (Pagan - Southern hemisphere) Jamshedi Nowruz (Zoroastrian New Year in Fasil Calendar)
23 Mar	Mon	(Zoroastrian) Night of Isra' and Mi'raj (27 Rajab)/Lailat al Miraj (Islam)
25 Mar- 1 Apr	Wed-Wed	Guan Yin Bodhisattva's Birthday (Buddhist (Mahayana)) Chaitra Navaatri (Hindu) Khordad Sal/Birthday of Lord Zoroastra (Fasil Calendar)
26 Mar or	Thurs	Khordad Sal/Birthday of Lord Zoroastra (Fasil Calendar) (Zoroastrian) Assyrian New Year (Assyrian Catholic)
5 Apr 1 Apr	Wed	Kha b-Nisan/ Assyrian New Year (Assyrian)
2 Apr 5 Apr	Thurs Sun	Ramanavami (Hindu) Palm Sunday (Christian) Mahavira Javanti (Birth of Land Mahavira (Jain)
6 Apr 7 Apr	Mon Tues	Mahavir Jayanti/Birth of Lord Mahavira (Jain) Annunciation Feast (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
8 Apr 9 Apr	Wed Thurs	Hanuman Jayanti (Hindu) The Night of 15th of Sha^aban (Islam) Maundy Thursday (Christian)
9-16 Apr	Thurs- Thurs	Maundy Thursday (Christian) Pesach/Passover (Feast of Unleavened Bread) (Jewish)
10 Apr 11 Apr	Fri Sat	Good Friday (Christian) Easter Saturday (Christian)
12 Apr	Sun	Easter Sunday (Christian) Palm Sunday (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
13-15 Apr	Mon-Wed	Songkran/New Year (Buddhist (Theravada) Cambodian, Thai, Lao, Burmese, Sri Lankan) Holy Pascha (Coptic Christian)
14 Apr	Tue	Baisakhi/Vaisakhi/Vishu (Sikh) Pohela Boishakh/Bengali New Year (Bangladeshi and Nepalese)
16 Apr 17 Apr	Thu Frid	Covenant/Great and Holy Thursday (Orthodox Christian) Good Friday/Holy Friday (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
18 Apr 19 Apr	Sat Sun	Easter Saturday/Holy Saturday (Coptic/Orthodox Christian) Easter Sunday/Resurrection Sunday/Glorious Feast of the Resurrection
20 Apr	Mon	(Coptic/Orthodox Christian) Easter Monday (Sham El Nessim) (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
21 Apr	Tues	(Coptic/Orthodox Christian) First Day of Ridvan (Holy Day) (Baha'i) Yom Hashoah (Jewish)
24 or 25 Apr	Tues	Ramadan begins (Islam)
26 Apr 27 Apr	Sun Mon	Akshay Tritiya (Hindu) Mahavir Jayanti (Jain)
28 Apr 30 Apr-	Tues Thurs-	Ninth Day of Ridvan (Baha'i) Samhain (Pagan - Southern hemisphere)
1 May 1 May	Frid Frid	Beltane (Pagan - Northern hemisphere) Twelfth Day of Ridvan (Baha'i)
7 May	Thurs	St Mark's Feast (Coptic Christian) Vesak/Visakha Puja/Commemoration of Buddha's Birthday, Enlightenment and Death (Buddhist)
12 May	Tues	Budd Poorima (Hindu) Sakyamuni Buddha's Birthday (Buddhist (Mahayana))
18 May	Mon	Zartosht No-Diso (Death Anniversary of Zarathustra in Shenshai Calendar) (Zoroastrian)
20 May	Wed	Dehva Daymana/ Delwa Daymeneh (Baptism) (Mandaean) Laylatul Al-Qadr/Night of Destiny (Islam)
21 May 	Thu Sat	Ascension of Our Lord/Divine Ascension/Ascension of Jesus (Christian) Declaration of the Bab (Baha'i)
24 or 25 May		Eid Al-Fitr (end of Ramadan) (Islam)
28 or 29 May 28 May	Thurs	Ascension of Our Lord/Divine Ascension/Ascension of Jesus (Coptic/Orthodox Christian) Ascension of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i)
29-30 May	Frid-Sat	Shavout (commemorating the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai) (Jewish)
31 May 1 Jun	Sun Mon	Pentecost/Whitsunday (Christian) Our Lord's Entry into Egypt (Coptic Christian)
5 Jun 7 Jun	Frid Sun	Vat Savitri Poornima (Hindu) The Holy Pentecost Feast (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
16 Jun 19 Jun	Tues Frid	Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Sahib/Guru Arjan Martyrdom (Sikh) Archangel Michael's Feast (Coptic Christian)
20-22 Jun	Sat-Mon	Yule (Pagan - Southern hemisphere) Litha (Pagan - Northern hemisphere)
28 Jun 29 Jun	Sun	Vidovdan/Saint Vitus Day (Serbian Orthodox) St. Peter's and St. Paul's Feast (Christian)
3 Jul 5 Jul	Frid Sun	St Thomas Feast (Chaldean Catholic) Asalha Puja – Dharma Day (Buddhist (Theravada))
6 Jul 6 Jul-	Mon Mon-Tues	Vyas/Guru Poornima (Hindu) Dalai Lama's Birthday (Buddhist (Vajrayana)) Shraavan Maas (Hindu)
6 Jul- 18 Aug 9 Jul	Mon-Tues Thurs	Shraavan Maas (Hindu) Martydom of the Bab (Holy Day) (Baha'i)
12 Jul	Sun	The Apostles' Feast/Martyrdom of St. Peter's and St. Paul's Feast (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
16 Jul 17 Jul	Thurs Frid	Kanshuzahly/Mandaean New Year's Eve (Mandaean) Dehva Rabba/Mandaean New Year (Mandaean)
21 Jul	Tues	St Charbel's Feast (Maronite Catholic) Gyuan Yin Bodhisattva's Enlightenment Day (Buddhist (Mahayana))
30 Jul 31 Jul	Thurs Frid	Tisha b'Av (Jewish) Day of Arafa/Waqf al Arafa/Hajj (Pilgrimage) (Islam)
31 Jul or 1 Aug 1 Aug	Sat	Eid Al-Adha (Islam) Imbolc (Pagan - Southern hemisphere)
3 Aug	Mon	Lughnasadh (Pagan - Northern hemisphere) Raksha Bandhan (Hindu)
6 Aug	Thurs	Transfiguration of Our Lord (Orthodox Christian)
12 Aug 15 Aug	Wed Sat	Krishna Jayanti/ Krishna Janmashtami (Hindu) Utamana - Ancestors Festival (Buddhist (Mahayana)) Dormition of Blessed Virgin Mary/St Mary's Ascension/
		Dormition of Blessed Virgin Mary/St Mary's Ascension/ Feast of the Virgin Mary (Melkite, Chaldean, Assyrian and other Catholic Christian)
16 Aug 16-23 Aug	Sun Sun-Sun	Jamshedi Nowruz (Zoroastrian New Year in Shenshai Calendar) (Zoroastrian) Parvushan Parva Rambha (Jain)
16-23 Aug 19 Aug 20 or	Sun-Sun Wed	Paryushan Parva Rambha (Jain) Transfiguration Feast (Coptic/Orthodox Christian) Al-Hijra / First of Muharram/Islamic New Year
21 Aug 22 Aug	Sat	(Islam) The Assumption of St Mary's Body (Coptic/Orthodox Christian)
23 Aug	Sun	Ganesh Chaturthi (Hindu) Samvatsari/last day of Paryushan (Jain)
29 or 30 Aug		Ashura Day/10th of Muharam (Martyrdom of Imam Hussein) (Islam (Shiite)) Ashura Day (Day of Fasting)
1 Sep	Tues	(Islam (Sunni)) St Hurmizd's Commemoration (Assyrian Catholic)
		First Parkash of Guru Granth Sahib Ji/Inauguration (Gurgadi) of Guru Granth Sahib (Sikh) Anant Chaturdashi (Hindu)
2 Sep 11 Sep	Wed Frid	Ullambana/Ancestor Day (Buddhist)
11 Sep 17 Sep 19-20 Sep	Frid Thurs Sat-Sun	The Nayrouz Feast/Coptic New Year (1737 AM) (Coptic Christian) Sarva Pitru Amavasya (Hindu) Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year) (Jewish)
19-20 Sep 20-23 Sep	Sat-Sun Sun-Wed	Rosh Hashana (Jewish New Year) (Jewish) Ostara (Pagan - Southern hemisphere) Mabon (Pagan - Northern hemisphere)
28 Sep 1 Oct	Mon Thurs	Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish) Kathina and Pavarana Day (Buddhist)
3-9 Oct 10 Oct	Sat-Frid Sat	Sukkot/Succot (Jewish) Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly) (Jewish)
10 Oct 11 Oct 17 Oct	Sat Sun Sat	Shemini Atzeret (Eighth Day of Assembly) (Jewish) Simchat Torah (Day of Celebrating the Torah) (Jewish) Guan Yin Bodhisattva's Renunciation Day (Buddhist (Mahayana))
17 Oct 17-24 Oct 18 Oct	Sat Sat-Sat Sun	Guan Yin Bodhisattva's Renunciation Day (Buddhist (Mahayana)) Navatri/Maha Navami (Hindu) Birth of The Bab (Baha'i)
18 Oct 19 Oct 20 Oct	Mon Tues	Birth of The Bab (Baha'i) Birth of Baha'u'llah (Baha'i) Gurugaddi/Unstallation Day of Guru Grant Sahib (Sikh)
25 Oct 30 Oct	Sun Frid	Dasara/Dashain/Dussehra/Vijayadashami (Hindu) Mawlid an-Nabi (Prophet Muhammad's Birth) (Islam)
31 Oct	Sat	Samhain (Pagan - Northern hemisphere) Beltane (Pagan - Southern hemisphere)
1 Nov	Sun	All Saints' Day (Christian) Dehwa Honina (victory of light against darkness) (Mandaean)
2 Nov 4 Nov	Mon Wed	All Souls' Day (Christian) Karva Choth (Hindu)
13 Nov 14 Nov	Frid Sat	Dhantrayodashi (Hindu) Deepavali/Diwali/Bandi Chhor Divas/Festival of Lights (Hindu, Sikh, Jair
15 Nov 24 Nov	Sun Tues	Govardhan Pooja - Annakut Darshan (Hindu) Martyrdom Day of Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib (Sikh)
25 Nov- 6 Jan	Wed-Sun	Nativity Fasting period/ The Holy Nativity Fast (Certain Orthodox Christian) Tulsi Vivah (Hindu)
26 Nov 29 Nov	Thurs Sun Mon	Tulsi Vivah (Hindu) Dev Diwali (Hindu) Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Sahih (Sikh)
30 Nov 8 Dec	Mon Tues	Birth of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikh) Saint Kilment Ohridski's Day (Orthodox Macedonian) Bodhi Day (Buddhist)
11-18 Dec 19 Dec	Frid-Frid Sat	Hanukkah/Chanukah/Festival of Lights (Jewish) Saint Nicolas Day (Serbian Orthodox)
20-25 Dec	Sat Sun-Frid	Yule (Pagan - Northern hemisphere) Litha (Pagan - Southern hemisphere)
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^{*}Please note:

1. The list above may not cover every religious event during 2020.

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Christmas Day (Catholic, Anglican/Certain Orthodox Christian)

Zartosht No-Diso (Death Anniversary of Zarathustra in Fasil Calendar) (Zoroastrian)

Solemnity of Virgin/Second Day of Christmas (Chaldean Catholic)

St Stephen's Day (Croatian Catholic)

Geeta Jayanti (Hindu)

^{2.} Ethnic descriptors preceding religions (e.g. Armenian Orthodox, Chaldean Catholic) are not exhaustive and other ethnic groups may also celebrate the same day. Some dates may be slightly different depending on the calendar used (i.e. Lunar, Julian, Solar, Gregorian, Fasil, Qadimi, Shenshai etc).

^{3.} Islamic holy days may adjust one or two days from either side of the dates listed above, subject to the lunar cycle.4. Jewish and Baha'i holy days commence at sunset the previous day listed.