

RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS – 2023-2024

July, 2023

- 24—Pioneer Day (Mormonism—celebrates Latter Day Saints’ entrance into Salt Lake Valley)
- 26/27 —Tisha B’av or Ninth of Av (Judaism—day of fasting and mourning commemorates destruction of Jerusalem Temple and the Exile; begins at sunset on July 26th)
- 27/28-- Ashura (Shi’a Islam—commemorates the martyrdom of Hussein; begins at sunset on July 27th)

September

- 15-17—Rosh Hashanah (Judaism—New Year; start of 10 High Holy Days; begins at sunset on the 15th)
- 24/25—Yom Kippur (Judaism—Day of Atonement; begins at sundown on October 24th)
- 29-6—Sukkot (Judaism Feast of Tabernacles—begins at sunset on the 29th and continues through October 6th)

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November

- 12—Diwali (Hinduism—Festival of Lights)

December

- 3—First Sunday of Advent (Christianity—Four Sundays of Advent before Christmas)
- 7-15—Hanukkah (Judaism—Festival of Lights; begins at sunset on the 7th and ends on the 15th at sunset)
- 8—Bodhi Day (Buddhism in Japan—Enlightenment of the Buddha)
- 25—Christmas (Christianity—birth of Jesus)

January, 2024

- 7—Christmas (Eastern Orthodox Christian traditions that use the Julian calendar—birth of Jesus)

February

- 10—Lunar New Year (Begins year of the Dragon)
- 14—Ash Wednesday (Christianity—beginning of 40 days of Lent before Holy Week)

March

- 11—Beginning of Ramadan (Islam - Begins at sunset on March 11th. Continues through April 10th)
- 22/23—Purim (Judaism—Esther’s victory over Persian oppression; begins at sunset on March 22th)
- 24—Palm Sunday (Christianity—entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem, beginning of Holy Week)
- 25—Holi (Hinduism—Festival of Colors)
- 29—Good Friday (Christianity—Crucifixion of Jesus)
- 31—Easter Sunday (Christianity—Resurrection of Jesus). [Eastern Orthodox Easter is on May 5th]

April

- 9-12—Eid al-Fitr (Islam—conclusion of Ramadan fasting; begins at sunset on the 9th)
- 21—Mahavir Jayanti (Jainism—birth of Vardhamana or Lord Mahavir, the final Tirthankara)
- 22-30—Passover (Judaism—Feast of Unleavened Bread and commemoration of Exodus; begins at sunset on the 22nd; observed through April 30th)

May

- 5/6—Yom HaShoah or Holocaust Remembrance Day (Judaism)

June

- 11-13—Shavuot (Judaism—Feast of Weeks; celebration of the giving of the Torah; begins at sunset on the 11th)