

LCC Religious Calendar

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<u>Name of Holiday</u>	<u>Religion</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Days of the Week</u>	<u>Observation</u>	<u>Information Link</u>
January, 2017					
Kwanzaa	African Heritage	12/26/2016 - 1/1/2017	Monday - Sunday	Special Worship	http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history
Epiphany/Theophany	Christian	1/6/2017	Friday	Special Worship	https://www.inside-mexico.com/ya-vienen-los-reyes-magos/
Nativity of Christ	Armenian Orthodox	1/6/2017	Friday	Special Worship	https://oca.org/saints/lives/2016/12/25/103638-the-nativity-of-our-lord-god-and-savior-jesus-christ
Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings Day)	Hispanic Christian	1/6/2017	Friday	Special Worship	https://www.inside-mexico.com/ya-vienen-los-reyes-magos/
Christmas (Orthodox)	Orthodox Christian	1/7/2017	Saturday	Special Worship	http://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/russia/christmas-day
Baptism of the Lord Jesus	Christian	1/8/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Baptism_of_Jesus
Mahayana New Year	Buddhism	1/12/2017 - 1/15/2017	Thursday - Sunday	Special Celebration	http://www.worldreligionnews.com/religion-news/buddhism/how-mahayana-buddhists-celebrate-new-year
Chinese New Year	Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist	1/28/2017	Saturday	Special Celebration	http://www.history.com/topics/holidays/chinese-new-year
February					

Four Chaplains Sunday	Interfaith	2/5/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://www.worldreligionnews.com/religion-news/four-chaplains-sunday-commemorates-priests-different-faiths-gave-lives-save-soldiers
Nirvana Day	Buddhism - Sikh	2/15/2017	Wednesday	Special Worship	http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/religion/buddhism/nirvana.shtml
Maha Shivaratri	Hindu	2/25/2017	Saturday	Special Worship	http://metro.co.uk/2017/02/23/maha-shivaratri-2017-when-is-it-what-is-it-and-why-is-it-celebrated-6467696/
Clean Monday	Orthodox Christian	2/27/2017	Monday	Special Worship	greece.greekreporter.com/2014/03/02/clean-monday-everything-you-need-to-know/
Shrove Tuesday	Christian	2/28/2017	Tuesday	Special Worship	http://www.sharefaith.com/guide/Christian-Holidays/origins_of_shrove_tuesday.html
March					
Ash Wednesday (Beginning of Lent)	Christian	3/1/2017	Wednesday	Special Worship	http://christianity.about.com/od/holidaytips/qt/whatisashwednesday.html
Nineteen Day Fast Begins*	Bahá'í	3/1/2017 - 3/20/2017	Thursday - Monday	Food Restriction	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/nineteen-day-fast-bahai/
Purim*	Jewish	3/12/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://www.chabad.org/holidays/purim/article_cdo/aid/645309/jewish/What-Is-Purim.htm
Magha Puja Day	Buddhism	3/12/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	https://www.thoughtco.com/magha-puja-449909
Holi	Hindu	3/13/2017 - 3/14/2017	Monday - Tuesday	Special Worship	http://www.holifestival.org/holifestival.html

Naw-Ruz (New Year)*	Bahá'í, Zoroastrian	3/21/2017	Tuesday	Work Restriction	https://www.thoughtco.com/naw-ruz-bahai-zoroastrian-new-year-95887
April					
Ramanavami	Hindu	4/5/2017	Wednesday	Special Festival	http://www.rudraksharatna.com/articles/ram-navami
Buddha's Birthday/Hana-Matsuri	Buddhism	4/8/2017	Saturday	Special Worship/Memorial	http://journeymart.com/holidays-ideas/festivals/hana-matsuri-japan.aspx
Holy Week	Christian	4/9/2017 - 4/15/2017	Sunday - Saturday	Special Worship	http://www.crivoice.org/cyholyweek.html
Palm Sunday	Christian	4/9/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Palm_Sunday
Passover*	Jewish	4/11/2017 - 4/18/2017	Tuesday - Tuesday	Special Worship/Food Restriction/Work Restriction	http://www.jewfaq.org/holidaya.htm
Good Friday	Christian & Orthodox Christian	4/14/2017	Friday	Special Worship	http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday
Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)	Hindu - Sikh	4/14/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	http://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php?title=Vaisakhi
Bun Pi Mai (New Year)	Laotian Buddhism	4/14/2017 - 4/16/2017	Friday - Sunday	Special Celebration	http://goseasia.about.com/od/laos/a/bun_pi_mai.htm
Easter/Pascha	Christian & Orthodox Christian	4/16/2017	Sunday	Special Worship/Feast	http://www.religionfacts.com/christianity/holidays/easter.htm
Ridván (1st day)*	Bahá'í	4/21/2017	Friday	Work Restriction	http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_ridvan
Yom HaShoah*	Jewish	4/23/2017	Sunday	Special Worship/Mourning	http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/jsource/Judaism/yomhashoah.html
Lailat al Mi'raj*	Islamic	4/24/2017	Monday	Special Worship/Prayer	http://www.wincalendar.com/Lailat-al-Miraj

Ridván (9th day)	Bahá'í	4/29/2017	Saturday	Work Restriction	http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_ridvan
May					
Yom Ha'Atzmaut*	Jewish	5/1/2017	Monday	Special Celebration/Memorial	http://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/yom-haatzmaut-israel-independence-day/
Ridván (12th day)*	Bahá'í	5/2/2017	Tuesday	Work/Food Restriction	http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_ridvan
National Day of Prayer	Interfaith	5/4/2017	Thursday	Prayer	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/National_Day_of_Prayer
Vesak/Visakha Puja	Buddhism	5/10/2017	Wednesday	Special Workshop	http://www.buddhanet.net/vesak.htm
Wesak	Buddhism	5/10/2017	Wednesday	Special Festival	http://www.souledout.org/wesak/wesakfestival03/wesakfestoverview.html
Declaration of the Báb*	Bahá'í	5/23/2017	Tuesday	Work Restriction	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/declarationbab.shtml
Ascension of Jesus	Christian	5/25/2017	Thursday	Special Worship	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jesus
Ramadan (Beginning)*	Islamic	5/27/2017	Saturday	Food Restriction	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan
Ascension of Baha'u'lláh*	Bahá'í	5/29/2017	Monday	Work Restriction	http://www.readthespirit.com/religious-holidays-festivals/tag/bahauallah/
Shavout*	Jewish	5/31/2017 - 6/1/2017	Wednesday - Thursday	Special Worship/Feast	http://www.holidays.net/shavuot/
June					
Pentecost	Christian	6/4/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/holydays/pentecost.shtml
St. Columba of Iona Feast Day	Orthodox Christian	6/9/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	https://orthodoxwiki.org/Columba_of_Iona
Trinity Sunday	Christian	6/11/2017	Sunday	Special Celebration	http://www.churchyear.net/trinity_sunday.html

Feast of Corpus Christi	Orthodox Christian	6/15/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/holydays/corpus-christi.shtml
Guru Arjan Martyrdom	Sikh	6/16/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/martyrdom-guru-arjan-dev-sikhs/
Laylat al-Qadr*	Islamic	6/21/2017	Wednesday	Special Worship	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/islam/holydays/lailatalqadr.shtml
Sacred Heart of Jesus	Orthodox Christian	6/23/2017	Friday	Special Prayer	http://www.newadvent.org/catechism/07163a.htm
Eid al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)*	Islamic	6/25/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://islam.about.com/od/ramadan/f/eid_fitr.htm
Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul	Christian	6/29/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholicnewsagency.com/saint.php?n=501
July					
Asalha Puja Day	Buddism	7/8/2017	Saturday	Special Festival	http://www.worldreligionnews.com/religion-
Martyrdom of the Bab	Bahá'í	7/9/2017	Sunday	Special Prayer	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/martyrdomb
St. Benedict Feast Day	Christian	7/11/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=556
Ullambana - Obon	Buddism	7/13/2017	Thursday	Special Festival	http://www.readthespirit.com/religious-holidays-festivals/ullambana-
St. Vladimir the Great Feast Day	Orthodox Christian	7/15/2017	Saturday	Special Celebration	https://oca.org/saints/lives/2017/07/15/102031-equal-of-the-
St. James the Great Feast Day	Christian	7/25/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=59
August					
Lammas	Christian	8/1/2017	Tuesday	Special Festival	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lammas
Tish'a B'av*	Jewish	8/1/2017	Tuesday	Food Restriction	http://www.reformjudaism.org/jewish-holidays/tishah-bav
Fast in honor of Holy Mother of Jesus	Orthodox Christian	8/1/2017	Tuesday	Food Restriction	http://www.readthespirit.com/religious-holidays-festivals/fast-in-
Transfiguration of the Lord Jesus	Orthodox Christian	8/6/2017	Sunday	Special Celebration	http://www.antiochian.org/feast-transfiguration-christ

Raksha Bandhan (Rakhi)	Hindu	8/7/2017	Monday	Special Festival	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/holydays/raksha.s
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary	Christian	8/15/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	https://www.ewtn.com/saintholy/saints/A/assumptionoftheblessed
Dormition of the Theotokos	Orthodox Christian	8/15/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	https://oca.org/orthodoxy/the-orthodox-faith/worship/the-church
Krishna Janmashtami	Hindu	8/15/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	http://www.krishna.com/how-celebrate-janmashtami
Ganesh Chaturthi	Hindu	9/25/2017 - 9/5/2017	Friday - Tuesday	Special Festival	http://www.theholidayspot.com/ganesh_chaturthi/history.htm
Decollation of Saint John the Baptist	Christian	8/29/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_St_John_the_Baptist
Waqf al Arafat - Hajj Day (Day of Arafat)*	Islamic	8/31/2017	Thursday	Special Prayer	https://www.thoughtco.com/what-is-the-meaning-of-the-day-of-
September					
Eid al-Adha*	Islamic	9/1/2017 - 9/4/2017	Friday - Monday	Special Festival	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/us/eid-al-adha
Nativity of Virgin Mary	Christian	9/8/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	https://www.franciscanmedia.org/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-
Elevation of the Life Giving Cross (Holy Cross)	Orthodox Christian	9/14/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	https://oca.org/orthodoxy/the-orthodox-faith/worship/the-church
Rosh Hashanah*	Jewish	9/21/2017 - 9/22/2017	Thursday - Friday	Work Restriction/ Special Prayer	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm
Hijra*	Islamic	9/21/2017 - 9/22/2017	Thursday - Friday	Special Celebration	https://www.britannica.com/event/Hijrah-Islam
Navaratri	Hindu	9/21/2017 - 9/29/2017	Thursday - Friday	Special Festival	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/holydays/navaratri
Feast of the Archangels	Christian	9/29/2017	Friday	Special Festival	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michaelmas
Yom Kippur*	Jewish	9/30/2017	Saturday	Work Restriction/ Food Restriction	http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/yom-kippur-history-and-overview
Vijayadashami	Hindu	9/30/2017	Saturday	Special Festival	http://www.indianscriptures.com/vedic-lifestyle/festivals/dasara-or-
October					
Ashura*	Islamic	10/1/2017	Sunday	Special Festival	http://www.religionfacts.com/ashura
St. Francis Feast Day	Christian	10/4/2017	Wednesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=50

Sukkot*	Jewish	10/5/2017 - 10/11/2017	Thursday - Wednesday	Special Festival	http://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/sukkot
Shemini Atzeret*	Jewish	10/12/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm
Simchat Torah*	Jewish	10/13/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday6.htm
St. Luke Feast Day	Christian	10/18/2017	Wednesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=76
Diwali - Deepavali	Hindu - Sikh	10/19/2017	Thursday	Special Festival	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/hinduism/holydays/diwali.shtml
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth	Sikh	10/20/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of-the-anniversary-of-the
Birth of the Báb*	Bahá'í	10/21/2017	Friday	Work Restriction	http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/bahai/the-birth-of-the-bab.aspx
Birth of Baha'u'llah*	Bahá'í	10/22/2017	Sunday	Special Celebration	https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3%A1%27u%27I%C3%
Milvian Bridge Day	Christian	10/28/2017	Saturday	Special Celebration	https://www.warhistoryonline.com/ancient-history/battle-milvian-
Reformation Day	Christian	10/29/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://www.ligonier.org/blog/what-reformation-day-all-about/
All Hallows Eve	Christian	10/31/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	http://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/christianity/holydays/hallow
November					
All Saints Day	Christian	11/1/2017	Wednesday	Special Worship	http://www.catholic.org/saints/allsaints/
All Souls Day	Christian	11/2/2017	Thursday	Special Worship/Mourning	http://www.catholic.org/saints/allsouls/
Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib	Sikh	11/4/2017	Saturday	Special Celebration	http://www.worldreligionnews.com/religion-news/sikhs-celebrate-
Nativity Fast Begins	Orthodox Christian	11/15/2017	Wednesday	Food Restriction	http://www.antiochian.org/node/18518
Thanksgiving	Interfaith	11/23/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	http://www.history.com/topics/thanksgiving/history-of-thanksgiving
Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur	Sikh	11/24/2017	Friday	Special Festival	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/martyrdom-
Feast of Christ the King	Christian	11/26/2017	Sunday	Special Worship/Prayer	http://www.churchyear.net/ctksunday.html
Day of the Covenant*	Bahá'í	11/26/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	http://bahaiteachings.org/celebrating-the-bahai-covenant
Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Baha*	Bahá'í	11/28/2017	Tuesday	Work Restriction	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/ascension-

St. Andrew's Feast Day	Christian	11/30/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=109
December					
Mawlid an Nabi*	Islamic	12/1/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	http://www.islamicsupremecouncil.org/understanding-
Advent	Christian	12/3/2017 - 12/24/2017	Sunday - Sunday	Special Celebration	http://www.crivoice.org/cyadvent.html
Saint Nicholas Feast Day	Christian	12/6/2017	Wednesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=371
Bodhi Day (Rohatsu)	Buddism	12/8/2017	Friday	Special Celebration/Prayer	http://aglobalworld.com/holidays-around-the-world/bodhi-day-buddhist/
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	Christian	12/8/2017	Friday	Special Celebration	https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/common/immaculate-
Hanukkah*	Jewish	12/13/2017 - 12/20/2017	Wednesday - Wednesday	Special Festival	http://www.chabad.org/holidays/c_hanukah/article_cdo/aid/102911/j
Christmas Eve	Christian	12/24/2017	Sunday	Special Celebration	https://www.whychristmas.com/customs/christmaseve.shtml
Christmas	Christian	12/25/2017	Monday	Special Celebration	http://www.history.com/topics/christmas/history-of-christmas
Feast of the Nativity	Orthodox Christian	12/25/2017	Monday	Special Celebration	https://www.goarch.org/nativity
St. Stephen's Feast Day	Christian	12/26/2017	Tuesday	Special Celebration	http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint.php?saint_id=137
Feast of the Holy Innocents	Christian	12/28/2017	Thursday	Special Celebration	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Feast-of-the-Holy-Innocents
Watch Night	Christian	12/31/2017	Sunday	Special Worship	https://www.britannica.com/topic/Watch-Night
The Feast of the Holy Family	Christian	12/31/2017	Sunday	Special Celebration	http://www.churchyear.net/holyfamily.html
* All Jewish, Islamic and Bahá'í Holidays listed above begin at sundown on the previous day.					