

## January

Tamil Heritage Month

- 1 **New Year's Day**  
Gantan-sai (New Year's Day) Shinto  
Feast Day of St. Basil Christian  
Mary, Mother of God Catholic Christian
- 2 **Day After New Year's Day** (Que.)
- 3 **Last day of Hanukkah\*** Judaism  
Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus Orthodox Christian
- 4 National Ribbon Skirt Day
- 5 Guru Gobind Singh birthday Sikh  
Twelfth Night Christian
- 6 Dia de los Reyes (Three Kings' Day) Christian  
Epiphany Christian
- 7 Orthodox Christmas Day Orthodox Christian
- 12 Baptism of the Lord Jesus Christian
- 13 Maghi Sikh
- 14 Mahayana New Year Buddhism  
Orthodox New Year Orthodox Christian
- 24 World Day for African and Afrodescendant Culture
- 25 Conversion of St. Paul Christian  
Laylat al Miraj\* Islam
- 27 International Holocaust Remembrance Day
- 29 **Lunar New Year** (Year of the Snake)  
National Day of Remembrance of the Quebec City Mosque Attack and Action against Islamophobia

## February

Black History Month

- 2 Candlemas - Presentation of Christ in the Temple Christian  
Groundhog Day  
Imbolc\* Wicca, Pagan  
Vasant Panchami Hindu
- 3 Setsubun-sai Shinto  
St. Blaise Day Christian
- 13 Tu B'Shevat\* (Arbor Day) Judaism
- 14 Memorial Marches for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls  
St. Valentine's Day Christian  
Valentine's Day
- 15 Nirvana Day Buddhism
- 17 **Family Day** (Alta., B.C., N.B., Ont., Sask.),  
**Islander Day** (P.E.I.), **Louis Riel Day** (Man.),  
**Nova Scotia Heritage Day** (N.S.)
- 21 **Yukon Heritage Day** (Yukon)
- 23 Meatfare Sunday Christian
- 26 Maha Shivaratri Hindu
- 28 **Ramadan begins\*** Islam

## March

Irish Heritage Month

- 1 St. David's Day
- 2 Transfiguration Sunday Christian
- 4 Shrove Tuesday Christian
- 5 Ash Wednesday - Lent begins Christian
- 8 International Women's Day
- 9 Daylight Saving Time starts
- 14 Purim\* Judaism
- 17 **St. Patrick's Day** (N.L.)  
St. Patrick's Day Christian
- 21 International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination  
Spring Equinox
- 27 Laylat al Qadr\* (Night of Power) Islam
- 29 **Eid al Fitr\*** (Ramadan ends) Islam
- 31 International Transgender Day of Visibility

## April

Sikh Heritage Month / Genocide Remembrance, Condemnation and Prevention Month

- 1 Rama Navami Hindu
- 9 International Day of Pink
- 10 Mahavir Jayanti Jain
- 12 Hanuman Jayanti Hindu  
Lazarus Saturday Orthodox Christian  
Lord's Evening Meal Jehovah's Witness Christian
- 13 **Passover\*** (to April 20) Judaism  
Palm Sunday Christian  
Theravada New Year Buddhism
- 14 Baisakhi (Vaisakhi) Sikh
- 17 Maundy Thursday Christian
- 18 **Good Friday** (except Que., Easter Monday as alternate)  
**Good Friday** Christian  
**Orthodox Good Friday** Orthodox Christian

- 20 **Easter Sunday** Christian
- 21 **Easter Monday** (Alta., B.C., N.B., Nunavut, P.E.I., Yukon) (Que., Good Friday as alternate)  
**St. George's Day** (N.L.)  
First Day of Ridván\* (Ninth day: April 28; Last day: May 1) Baha'i
- 22 Earth Day
- 24 Yom HaShoah\* (Holocaust Remembrance Day) Judaism
- 28 National Day of Mourning for Workers Injured or Killed on the Job

## May

Asian Heritage Month / Jewish Heritage Month

- 1 **Beltane\*** Wicca  
International Workers' Day  
Yom Ha'Atzmaut\* Judaism
- 5 The National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People
- 11 Mother's Day
- 12 **Buddha Day - Visakha Puja** Buddhism
- 16 Lag B'Omer\* Judaism
- 17 International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia
- 19 **National Patriots' Day** (Que.), **Victoria Day** (except Que., N.S., P.E.I.)
- 23 Declaration of the Bab\* Baha'i
- 28 Ascension of Baha'u'llah\* Baha'i
- 29 Ascension Day Christian
- 30 Guru Arjan Martyrdom Sikh

## June

National Indigenous History Month / 2SLGBTQIA+ Pride Month / Filipino Heritage Month / Italian Heritage Month / Portuguese Heritage Month

- 2 Shavuot\* (to June 3) Judaism
- 6 Waqf al Arafat\* Islam
- 7 **Eid al-Adha\*** Islam
- 8 Pentecost Christian
- 9 Whit Monday
- 12 World Day Against Child Labour
- 15 Father's Day  
Trinity Sunday Christian
- 19 Corpus Christi Catholic Christian
- 20 Litha Wicca, Pagan  
Summer Solstice
- 21 **National Indigenous Peoples Day** (N.W.T., Yukon)
- 23 **June Holiday** (N.L.)
- 24 **St. Jean Baptiste Day** (Que.)
- 27 Hijra\* - New Year Islam  
Sacred Heart of Jesus Christian
- 29 Feast Day of Saints Peter and Paul Christian

## July

- 1 **Canada Day, Memorial Day** (N.L.)
- 6 Ashura\* Islam
- 9 **Nunavut Day** (Nunavut)  
Martyrdom of the Bab\* Baha'i
- 10 Asalha Puja Day Buddhism
- 13 Fast of the 17<sup>th</sup> of Tammuz\* Judaism
- 14 **Orangemen's Day** (N.L.)
- 24 Pioneer Day Mormon Christian
- 25 St. James the Great Day Orthodox Christian
- 28 National Day of Commemoration of the Great Upheaval

## August

- 1 Emancipation Day  
Lammass/Lughnassad\* Wicca
- 3 Tisha B'Av Judaism
- 4 **British Columbia Day** (B.C.), **Civic/Provincial Day** (N.W.T., Nunavut, Ont.), **Heritage Day** (Alta.)  
**Natal Day** (N.S.), **New Brunswick Day** (N.B.), **Saskatchewan Day** (Sask.), **Terry Fox Day** (Man.)
- 6 **The Royal St. John's Regatta (Regatta Day)** (N.L.)  
Transfiguration of the Lord Orthodox Christian
- 9 Raksha Bandhan Hindu
- 13 Obon (Ullambana) (to Aug. 16) Buddhism, Shinto
- 15 **Gold Cup Parade** (P.E.I.)  
Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Christian  
National Acadian Day
- 16 **Krishna Janmashtami** Hindu
- 18 **Discovery Day** (Yukon)
- 21 **Paryushana Parva** (to Aug. 28) Jain
- 28 Dormition of the Theotokos Orthodox Christian
- 29 Beheading of St. John the Baptist Christian

## September

- 2 **Labour Day**
- 5 Mawlid an Nabi\* - Prophet Muhammad's birthday Islam
- 8 Nativity of Virgin Mary Christian
- 14 Holy Cross Day Christian
- 15 International Day of Democracy
- 22 Fall Equinox  
Mabon Wicca  
Navaratri (to Oct. 1) Hindu
- 23 **Rosh Hashanah\*** (to Sept. 24) Judaism
- 27 Meskel Ethiopian Eritrean Orthodox Christian
- 30 **National Day for Truth and Reconciliation** (B.C., N.W.T., Nunavut, P.E.I., Yukon)
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## October

Islamic History Month / 2SLGBTQIA+ History Month / Women's History Month / German Heritage Month / Latin American Heritage Month

- 1 National Seniors Day
- 2 **Yom Kippur\*** Judaism  
Dasara Hindu
- 4 Feast of St. Francis of Assisi Christian  
National Day to Commemorate Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls
- 7 Sukkot\* (to Oct. 13) Judaism
- 11 International Day of the Girl
- 13 **Thanksgiving**  
Hoshana Rabbah\* Judaism
- 14 Shemini Atzeret\* (to Oct. 15) Judaism
- 15 Simchat Torah\* Judaism
- 18 Health-Care Aide Day (B.C., Man.)  
Persons Day
- 20 **Diwali/Deepavali** Sikh, Hindu, Jain  
Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth Sikh
- 22 Birth of Bab Baha'i
- 23 Birth of Baha'u'llah Baha'i
- 31 Hallowe'en  
Reformation Day Protestant Christian

## November

- 1 **Samhain\*** Wicca  
All Saints' Day Christian
- 2 All Souls' Day Christian  
Daylight Saving Time ends
- 5 Veterans' Week (until Nov. 11)
- 8 Indigenous Veterans Day
- 11 **Remembrance Day** (except Man., Ont., Que., N.S.)
- 13 Transgender Awareness Week (until Nov. 19)
- 20 National Child Day  
Transgender Day of Remembrance
- 22 Holodomor Memorial Day
- 23 Christ the King Christian
- 25 Day of the Covenant\* Baha'i
- 30 Advent begins (to Dec. 24) Christian  
St. Andrew's Day Christian

## December

- 1 World Aids Day
- 3 International Day of Persons with Disabilities
- 6 National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women
- 8 **Bodhi Day (Rohatsu)** Buddhism
- 8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Christian
- 15 **Hanukkah\*** (to Dec. 22) Judaism
- 21 Winter Solstice  
Yule Christian, Wicca
- 25 **Christmas Day**  
Christmas Day Christian
- 26 **Boxing Day** (Yukon, Sask., Man., Ont., N.S., N.B., P.E.I., N.L.)  
Kwanzaa (to Jan. 1) African Cultural Heritage
- 28 Holy Innocents Christian
- 31 New Year's Eve

\* Asterisk indicates holy days that usually begin at sundown the day before the date listed. The dates cited represent either statutory holidays or the holiest days for that particular faith. Avoid scheduling union events on days of religious significance.

Recognition month  
Statutory holiday  
Important holiday