

January 2009

Thursday 1

Christian

Circumcision

Secular

New Year's Day

Shinto

Oshogatsu (or Shogatsu)

Christian

Festival of St Basil the Great

Sunday 4

Christian

Epiphany (Catholic Church in England and Wales)

Monday 5

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh (Nanakshahi calendar)

Tuesday 6

Christian

Epiphany

Christian

Christmas Day (Armenian Orthodox)

Christian

Theophany

Jewish

10th Tevet

Wednesday 7

Rastafari

Christmas Day (Ethiopian)

Christian

Christmas Day (Orthodox)

Muslim

Ashura

Sunday 11

Christian

Baptism of the Lord

Christian

First Sunday after Epiphany

Tuesday 13

Christian

St Hilary's Day

Wednesday 14

Hindu

Makar Sankrant

Thursday 15

Shinto

Seijin Shiki (Adults' Day)

Sunday 18

Christian

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (start)

Bahai

World Religion Day

Multifaith

World Religion Day

Wednesday 21

Christian

St Agnes

Sunday 25

Christian

St Paul's Day

Monday 26

Chinese

Chinese New Year

Tuesday 27

Jewish

National Holocaust Memorial Day

Multifaith

National Holocaust Memorial Day

Wednesday 28

Christian

St Thomas Aquinas

Saturday 31

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Har Rai (Nanakshahi calendar)

Hindu

Vasant Panchami

February 2009

Monday 2

Christian

Candlemas

Pagan

Imbolc

Tuesday 3

Shinto

Rissun (Setsubun)

Sunday 8

Buddhist

Parinirvana - Nirvana day

Monday 9

Jewish

Tu B'Shevat

Wednesday 11

Christian

Our Lady of Lourdes

Saturday 14

Christian

St Valentine's Day

Sunday 15

Buddhist

Nirvana day (alternative date)

Monday 23

Hindu

Mahashivratri

Tuesday 24

Christian

Shrove Tuesday

Wednesday 25

Christian

Ash Wednesday

Thursday 26

Buddhist

Losar (start)

March 2009

Sunday 1

Christian

St David's Day

Monday 2

Bahai

Nineteen Day Fast (start)

Christian

Clean Monday - Beginning of Lent (Orthodox)

Tuesday 3

Shinto

Hina-matsuri - Festival of Dolls

Thursday 5

Christian

St Piran's Day

Friday 6

Christian

Women's World Day of Prayer

Monday 9

Jewish

Fast of Esther (Taanit Esther)

Muslim

Milad un Nabi (Birthday of the Prophet Muhammad)

Tuesday 10

Jewish

Purim

Wednesday 11

Sikh

Hola Mohalla (Lunar Calendar)

Jewish

Shushan Purim

Hindu

Holi

Saturday 14

Muslim

Milad un Nabi (Shia)

Tuesday 17

Christian

St Patrick's Day

Thursday 19

Christian

St Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Friday 20

Pagan

Spring Equinox - Easter

Saturday 21

Bahai

Naw-Ruz

Zoroastrian

Jamshedi Noruz (Fasli)

Shinto

Shubun-sai - Equinox day

Sunday 22

Christian

Mothering Sunday

Wednesday 25

Christian

Annunciation

Thursday 26

Zoroastrian

Khordad Sal (Fasli)

April 2009

Friday 3

Hindu

Rama Navami

Hindu

Swaminarayan Jayanti

Sunday 5

Christian

Palm Sunday

Tuesday 7

Jain

Mahavira Jayanti

Wednesday 8

Jewish

Fast of the Firstborn

Thursday 9

Hindu

Hanuman Jayanti

Buddhist

Theravada New Year

Jehovah's Witnesses

Memorial of Christ's Death

Jewish

Passover (1st day)

Christian

Maundy Thursday

Friday 10

Christian

Good Friday

Sunday 12

Christian

Easter Sunday (Western)

Monday 13

Sikh

Vaisakhi

Tuesday 14

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Nanak (Nanakshahi calendar)

Sikh

Hola Mohalla (Nanakshahi Calendar)

Thursday 16

Jewish

Passover (final day)

Saturday 18

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Nanakshahi calendar)

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Angad Dev (Nanakshahi calendar)

Sunday 19

Christian

Easter (Orthodox)

Tuesday 21

Jewish

Yom Hashoah

Bahai

Ridvan - first day

Rastafari

Anniversary of Haile Selassie's visit to Jamaica

Thursday 23

Christian

St George's Day

Tuesday 28

Jewish

Yom Hazikaron

Wednesday 29

Jewish

Yom Ha'atzmaut

Bahai

Ridvan - ninth day

May 2009

Friday 1

Pagan

Beltane

Saturday 2

Bahai

Ridvan - twelfth day

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Arjan Dev (Nanakshahi calendar)

Saturday 9

Buddhist

Wesak or Buddha day

Tuesday 12

Jewish

Lag B'Omer

Thursday 21

Christian

Ascension Day

Friday 22
Jewish
Yom Yerushalayim
Saturday 23
Bahai
Declaration of the Bab
Sikh
Birthday of Guru Amar Das (Nanakshahi calendar)
Sunday 24
Christian
Ascension Day (Catholic Church in England and Wales)
Friday 29
Jewish
Shavuot (1st day)
Bahai
Ascension of Baha'u'llah
Sunday 31
Christian
Pentecost - Whitsun
June 2009
Sunday 7
Christian
Trinity Sunday
Thursday 11
Christian
Corpus Christi
Sunday 14
Christian
All Saints' Day (Orthodox)
Christian
Corpus Christi (Catholic Church in England and Wales)
Tuesday 16
Sikh
Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev (Nanakshahi calendar)
Sunday 21
Pagan
Summer Solstice - Litha
Sunday 28
Christian
St Peter's Day (Catholic Church in England and Wales)
Monday 29
Christian
St Peter's Day
July 2009
Sunday 5
Sikh
Birthday of Guru Hargobind (Nanakshahi calendar)
Tuesday 7
Buddhist
Asala - Dharma Day
Thursday 9
Jewish
17th Tammuz

Bahai

Martyrdom of the Bab

Wednesday 15

Christian

St Swithin's Day

Monday 20

Zoroastrian

Jamshedi Noruz (Qadimi)

Thursday 23

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Har Krishen (Nanakshahi calendar)

Rastafari

Birthday of Haile Selassie I

Friday 24

Mormon

Pioneer Day

Saturday 25

Zoroastrian

Khordad Sal (Qadimi)

Thursday 30

Jewish

Tisha B'Av

August 2009

Saturday 1

Pagan

Lughnasadh - Lammas

Wednesday 5

Hindu

Raksha Bandhan

Thursday 6

Christian

Transfiguration

Friday 14

Hindu

Janmashtami - Krishna Jayanti

Saturday 15

Christian

Dormition of the Theotokos

Christian

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sunday 16

Christian

Assumption of Mary (Catholic Church in England and Wales)

Monday 17

Rastafari

Birthday of Marcus Garvey

Jain

Paryushana

Wednesday 19

Zoroastrian

Jamshedi Noruz (Shenshai)

Saturday 22

Muslim

Ramadan (start)

Monday 24

Zoroastrian

Khordad Sal (Shenshai)

September 2009

Tuesday 8

Christian

Nativity of the Theotokos

Christian

Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Christian

Feast of the Birth of Mary

Friday 11

Rastafari

Ethiopian New Year

Saturday 19

Hindu

Navaratri (start)

Jewish

Rosh Hashanah (1st day)

Monday 21

Jewish

Fast of Gedalliah

Muslim

Eid-UI-Fitr

Tuesday 22

Pagan

Autumn Equinox

Monday 28

Hindu

Dussera

Jewish

Yom Kippur

Tuesday 29

Christian

Michaelmas/ St Michael's Day

October 2009

Saturday 3

Jewish

Sukkot

Friday 9

Jewish

Hoshanah Rabbah

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Ram Das (Nanakshahi calendar)

Saturday 10

Jewish

Shemini Atzeret

Sunday 11

Jewish

Simchat Torah

Tuesday 13

Christian

St Edward's Day

Saturday 17

Hindu

Diwali

Jain

Diwali

Sikh

Diwali

Tuesday 20

Bahai

Birth of the Bab

Saturday 31

Pagan

Samhain (Hallowe'en)

Christian

Hallowe'en (All Hallows' Eve)

November 2009

Sunday 1

Christian

All Saints' Day (Hallowmas, All Hallows')

Monday 2

Christian

All Souls' Day

Rastafari

Coronation of Emperor Haile Selassie I

Sikh

Birthday of Guru Nanak (Lunar Calendar)

Sunday 8

Multifaith

Remembrance Sunday

Wednesday 11

Multifaith

Armistice Day

Thursday 12

Bahai

Birth of Baha'u'llah

Sunday 15

Shinto

Shichigosan (7-5-3 festival)

Monday 23

Shinto

Niinamesei

Tuesday 24

Sikh

Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Nanakshahi calendar)

Thursday 26

Bahai

Day of the Covenant

Saturday 28

Bahai

Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha

Muslim

Eid-UI-Adha

Sunday 29

Christian

Advent Sunday

Monday 30

Christian

St Andrew's Day

December 2009

Tuesday 8

Christian

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Buddhist

Bodhi Day

Saturday 12

Jewish

Hanukkah

Sunday 13

Christian

St Lucy's Day

Thursday 17

Jewish

10th Tevet

Friday 18

Muslim

Al-Hijira

Monday 21

Pagan

Winter Solstice - Yule

Thursday 24

Christian

Christmas Eve

Friday 25

Christian

Christmas Day

Saturday 26

Secular

Boxing Day

Christian

St Stephen's Day

Sunday 27

Muslim

Ashura

