

This calendar highlights secular and creed-based observances and holidays, significant events and celebrations, public holidays, and other important dates. These should be considered when planning educational events, tests, exams and other activities.

**NOTE:** This calendar should not be used as a list of dates for creed-based accommodations; **accommodation requests must be made formally** and determined on an individual case by case basis subject to the operational procedures of the Board regarding creed beliefs, practices, and observances.

This calendar is not meant to be comprehensive or exhaustive and every attempt has been made to ensure its accuracy. Please note this is a fluid calendar and updates and changes are made throughout the year. If you discover any errors, required updates or omissions or, have any other inquiries regarding this document, forward your correspondence via email to:

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**NOTE:** Days of Significance/Holy Days may vary a few days before or after the indicated date due to incompatibility of calendars from the Western Gregorian Calendar, moon sightings, time zones, government or ecclesiastical declarations, source website updates or date reporting conflicts between websites, etc.

**NOTE:** In some cases, dates indicated in the websites may not be current with dates indicated in this document and are intended for holyday or secular holiday descriptive purposes only.

For the most accurate dates reflected in the years 2022-2023, refer to the calendar information contained on the page itself.

**Calendar**

<https://www.calendar-365.com/2022-calendar.html>

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## HERITAGE AND AWARENESS MONTHS

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|------------------|--|
| <b>JANUARY</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tamil Heritage Month</li> </ul>   |
| <b>FEBRUARY</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>African Heritage Month</li> <li>Black Queering Month</li> <li>Chinese Heritage Month (See May, Asian Heritage Month)</li> </ul>   |
| <b>MARCH</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Greek Heritage Month</li> </ul>   |
| <b>APRIL</b>     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Genocide Awareness Month</li> <li>Latin-America History Month (see also October Hispanic Heritage Month)</li> <li>Sikh Heritage Month</li> <li>World Autism Month</li> </ul>                                      |
| <b>MAY</b>       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Asian Heritage Month</li> <li>Jewish Heritage Month</li> <li>National Speech and Hearing Month</li> <li>Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month</li> </ul>  |
| <b>JUNE</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2SLGBTQIA+<sup>1</sup> – Pride Month (Toronto)</li> <li>Filipino Heritage Month</li> <li>Italian Heritage Month</li> <li>National Indigenous History Month</li> <li>Portuguese Speaking Heritage Month</li> </ul> |
| <b>JULY</b>      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>   |
| <b>AUGUST</b>    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>   |
| <b>SEPTEMBER</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>   |
| <b>OCTOBER</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hispanic Heritage Month (City of Toronto)</li> <li>International Walk to School Month</li> <li>Islamic Heritage Month</li> <li>Somalian Heritage Month</li> <li>Women's History Month</li> </ul>                  |
| <b>NOVEMBER</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hindu Heritage Month</li> <li>Indigenous Education Month</li> </ul>   |
| <b>DECEMBER</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>   |

<sup>1</sup> **2SLGBTQIA+** - Is an initialism standing for: 2-spirited, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered, Questioning or Queer, Intersex, Asexual and the (+) plus sign symbolizes: *plus reflection of additional sexual orientations and gender identities*

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## JANUARY 2022

| Day of Week                       | Date             | Event  | Source                                       | Website   |
|-----------------------------------|------------------|--|--|---|
| Friday                            | 31 December 2021 | New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar<br><b>LIEU DAY</b> | Government of Canada                         | <b>SEE NEW YEAR'S DAY<br/>JANUARY 01, 2022</b>  |
| Saturday                          | 01               | Gantan-sai   | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_New_Year</a>   |
| Saturday                          | 01               | New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar                    | Government of Canada                         | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/international-new-years-day">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/international-new-years-day</a>   |
| Wednesday                         | 05               | Twelfth Night  | Christianity (Western)                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(holiday)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(holiday)</a>   |
| Thursday                          | 06               | Feast of the Epiphany                                  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)  | <a href="https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the-feast-of-the-epiphany">https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the-feast-of-the-epiphany</a>                         |
| Friday                            | 07               | Orthodox Christmas                                     | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)              | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity</a>   |
| Sunday                            | 09               | Baptism of Jesus Christ                                | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)  | <a href="https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html">https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html</a>   |
| Thursday<br><b>OR</b><br>Saturday | 09 <b>OR</b> 29  | Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday <sup>2</sup>             | Sikhism                                      | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life</a> |
| Thursday                          | 13               | Pasha Putrada Ekadashi                                 | Hinduism/Sikhism                             | <a href="https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putrada/pausa-putrada-ekadashi-date-time.html?year=2023">https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putrada/pausa-putrada-ekadashi-date-time.html?year=2023</a>   |
| Thursday                          | 13               | Punjabi Lohri  | Hinduism/Sikhism                             | <a href="http://What%20is%20Lohri?%20Why%20is%20it%20celebrated?%20-%20IndiaToday">What is Lohri? Why is it celebrated? - IndiaToday</a>  |
| Friday                            | 14               | Maghi  | Sikhism                                      | <a href="https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh-festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi">https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh-festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi</a>   |
| Friday                            | 14               | Makara Sankranti                                       | Hinduism                                     | <a href="https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article/makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of-festival">https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article/makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of-festival</a>                               |
| Friday                            | 14               | Orthodox New Year's Day                                | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year</a>   |
| Friday to Monday                  | 14 - 17          | Thai Pongal  | Hinduism (Tamil)                             | <a href="http://What%20is%20Thai%20Pongal?%20-%20Medium">What is Thai Pongal? - Medium</a>  |
| Sunday                            | 16               | Feast of the Wedding of Cana                           | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)  | <a href="https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible-study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from-the-wedding-at-cana.html">https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible-study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from-the-wedding-at-cana.html</a>                       |

<sup>2</sup> **Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday:** In any year where there are 5 Saturdays in January, this birthday can be celebrated on the first date indicated earlier in the month of January, **or, alternatively**, the birthday can be celebrated on the 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday in January.

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|------------------|-------------------|--|---------------------------------|---|
| Sunday           | 16                | World Religion Day   | Bahá'í Faith                    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_Day</a>   |
| Monday           | 17                | Martin Luther King Jr. Day   | Government of the United States | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Luther_King_Jr.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Luther_King_Jr.</a>   |
| Monday           | 17                | Tu B'Shevat*   | Judaism                         | <a href="https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/tu-bishvat-2021/">https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/tu-bishvat-2021/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday | 17 - 21           | No Name Calling Week - Starts 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday in January                            | GLSEN                           | <a href="#">No Name-Calling Week - 2021   GLSEN</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 18                | Mahayana New Year  | Buddhism (Mahayana)             | <a href="#">The Origins and Practice of Holidays: Mahayana New Year</a>   |
| Monday           | 24                | International Day of Education   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/education-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/education-day</a>   |
| Thursday         | 27                | International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust               | United Nations                  | <a href="https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/introduction-to-the-holocaust">https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/introduction-to-the-holocaust</a>   |
| Thursday         | 27                | St. Sava Devine Day  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava</a>   |
| Saturday         | 29                | Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday – <b>ALTERNATIVE DATE 5<sup>TH</sup> SATURDAY IN JANUARY</b> | Sikhism                         | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life.</a> |
| Sunday           | 30                | Jashan-e-Sadeh   | Zoroastrian                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh</a>   |
| Monday to Sunday | 31 to 06 February | Chinese Spring Festival  | Government of China             | <a href="https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/">https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/</a>   |

## FEBRUARY 2022

| Day of Week | Date | Event                              | Source   | Website   |
|-------------|------|------------------------------------|--|---|
| Tuesday     | 01   | Chinese New Year                   | Chinese National Holiday and Buddhism/Confucian/Daoism | <a href="#">21 Things You Didn't Know About Chinese New Year</a>  |
| Tuesday     | 01   | Lunar New Year - Spring Festival   | Buddhism/Confucian/Daoism                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year</a>                                   |
| Wednesday   | 02   | Imbolc                             | Wicca/Pagan  | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc</a>                               |
| Wednesday   | 02   | Presentation (Meeting) of Our Lord | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                        | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord</a>                                   |
| Wednesday   | 02   | Winter Walk to School Day          | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)                   | <a href="https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/winter-walk-to-school-day/">https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/winter-walk-to-school-day/</a> |
| Thursday    | 03   | Setsubun                           | Buddhism (Shintoism)                                   | <a href="https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is-setsubun-22094">https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is-setsubun-22094</a>         |
| Saturday    | 05   | Vasant Pachami                     | Hinduism   | <a href="https://www.riritiwaz.com/5-facts-about-vasant-panchami/">https://www.riritiwaz.com/5-facts-about-vasant-panchami/</a>           |

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| Sunday              | 06               | <b>International Day of Zero Tolerance on Female Genital Cutting and Mutilation</b> | United Nations and World Health Organization | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_of_Zero_Tolerance_for_Female_Genital_Mutilation">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_of_Zero_Tolerance_for_Female_Genital_Mutilation</a> |
| Monday to Friday    | 14 - 18          | <b>Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Week</b>                                | Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights   | <a href="https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek">https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 15               | <b>Parinirvana Day - Buddha's Death</b>   | Buddhism                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 16               | <b>Magha Puja Day - Lantern Festival</b>  | Buddhism                                     | <a href="https://en.dhammadownload.com/activities/magha-puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/">https://en.dhammadownload.com/activities/magha-puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/</a>                               |
| Sunday              | 20               | <b>World Day of Social Justice</b>  | United Nations                               | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/social-justice-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/social-justice-day</a>   |
| Monday              | 21               | <b>Family Day</b>   | Government of Ontario                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Canada)#Ontario">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Canada)#Ontario</a>   |
| Saturday to Tuesday | 26 - to 01 March | <b>Ayyám-i-Há - Intercalary Days</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                                 | <a href="https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/">https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/</a>   |

## MARCH 2022

| Day of Week                   | Date           | Event                                   | Source                            | Website   |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---|-----------------------------------|---|
| Tuesday                       | 01             | <b>Isra'a and Miraj*</b>                | Islam                             | <a href="https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al-isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous-night-journey">https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al-isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous-night-journey</a>   |
| Tuesday                       | 01             | <b>Maha Shivaratri</b>                  | Hinduism                          | <a href="https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festivals/maha-shivaratri-2021-history-significance-and-celebration-101615434959914.html">https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festivals/maha-shivaratri-2021-history-significance-and-celebration-101615434959914.html</a> |
| Wednesday                     | 02             | <b>Ash Wednesday</b>                    | Christianity (Western)            | <a href="https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php">https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php</a>   |
| Thursday                      | 03             | <b>Saka New Year - Nyepi</b>            | Hinduism (Balinese)               | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi</a>   |
| Thursday to Saturday          | 03 - 05        | <b>Tibetan New Year - Losar</b>         | Buddhism (Tibetan, Nepal, Bhutan) | <a href="https://www.tibet.com/en/news/important-festivals-in-tibet/tibetan-new-year-losar-the-most-important-festival-in-tibet">Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most Important Festival in Tibet</a>   |
| Friday to 1st Monday in April | 04 to 04 April | <b>Sha'ban and Mid-Sha'ban*</b>         | Islam                             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shab%27an">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shab%27an</a>   |
| Monday                        | 07             | <b>Clean Monday - First Day of Lent</b> | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)   | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday</a>   |
| Tuesday                       | 08             | <b>International Women's Day</b>        | United Nations                    | <a href="https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in-focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens-day">https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in-focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens-day</a>   |
| Sunday                        | 13             | <b>L. Ron Hubbard's Birthday</b>        | Church of Scientology             | <a href="https://www.scientology.org/what-is-scientology/">Official Church of Scientology: What is Scientology?</a>   |
| Monday                        | 14             | <b>Chet - Sikh New Year</b>             | Sikhism                           | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet</a>   |
| Thursday                      | 17             | <b>Purim*</b>                           | Judaism                           | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Purim">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Purim</a>   |

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| Friday            | 18      | <b>Holi Festival*</b>   | Hinduism                                     | <a href="https://www.holifestival.org/">https://www.holifestival.org/</a>   |
| Friday to Sunday  | 18 - 20 | <b>Holla Mohalla</b>  | Sikhism                                      | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mahalla">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mahalla</a>                     |
| Sunday            | 20      | <b>Nawrúz - Persian New Year</b>                                      | Government of Iran Holiday and Zoroastrian   | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novruz">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novruz</a>                         |
| Sunday and Monday | 20 - 21 | <b>Ostara</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                  | <a href="https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ostara/about.html">https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ostara/about.html</a> |
| Monday            | 21      | <b>Guan Yin Birthday</b>  | Buddhism (Taiwanese)                         | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin</a>   |
| Monday            | 21      | <b>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</b> | United Nations                               | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-racism-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-racism-day</a>                     |
| Monday            | 21      | <b>Nawrúz - Bahá'í New Year</b>                                       | Bahá'í Faith                                 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz</a> |
| Monday            | 21      | <b>Ohigan -Spring Festival</b>  | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen</a>   |
| Tuesday           | 22      | <b>World Water Day</b>  | United Nations                               | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day</a>                               |
| Friday            | 25      | <b>Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>                        | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox & Western)    | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation-Christianity">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation-Christianity</a> |

## APRIL 2022

| Day of Week                             | Date        | Event   | Source                                 | Website   |
|---|-------------|---|--|---|
| Thursday                                | 01          | <b>Hindu New Year</b>                                     | Government of India and Hinduism       | <a href="https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new-year/">https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new-year/</a>   |
| Friday to Tuesday                       | 01 - 12     | <b>Kha b-Nisan Spring Festival - Akitu</b>                | Assyrian Diaspora                      | <a href="https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the-assyrian-new-year-2/">https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the-assyrian-new-year-2/</a>                                       |
| Sunday to 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday in May | 02 - May 01 | <b>Ramadan*</b>   | Islam                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan</a>   |
| Thursday                                | 07          | <b>Rwanda Genocide Memorial Day</b>                       | Government of Canada (Recognition)     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genocide">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genocide</a>   |
| Thursday                                | 07          | <b>World Health Day</b>                                   | World Health Organization              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Day</a>   |
| Friday                                  | 08          | <b>International Day of Silence - 2nd Friday in April</b> | GLSEN                                  | <a href="https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-silence/">https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-silence/</a>   |
| Sunday                                  | 10          | <b>Shri/Rama Navami</b>                                   | Hinduism                               | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami</a>   |
| Wednesday                               | 13          | <b>International Day of Pink</b>                          | International Day of Pink Organization | <a href="https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home">https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home</a>   |
| Thursday                                | 14          | <b>Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)</b>                                | Hinduism/Sikhism                       | <a href="https://www.astroswamiq.com/article/2022-vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134">https://www.astroswamiq.com/article/2022-vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134</a> |

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| Thursday             | 14      | <b>Mesha Sankranti - Solar New Year</b>   | Hinduism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti</a>   |
| Thursday             | 14      | <b>Sinhalese New Year</b>   | Government of Sri Lanka and Buddhism - Theravada | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_Year</a>   |
| Thursday             | 14      | <b>Tamil New Year</b>   | Government of Sri Lanka and Hinduism             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu</a>   |
| Friday               | 15      | <b>Good Friday - Gregorian Calendar</b>   | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday</a>   |
| Friday               | 15      | <b>Memorial of Jesus' Death</b>   | Jehovah's Witnesses                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ%27s_death">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ's death</a>   |
| Saturday             | 16      | <b>Hanuman Jayanti</b>  | Hinduism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanuman_Jayanti">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hanuman_Jayanti</a>   |
| Saturday to Monday   | 16 - 18 | <b>Theravāda New Year</b>   | Buddhism (Theravada)                             | <a href="#">Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most Important Festival in Tibet</a>  |
| Saturday to Saturday | 16 - 23 | <b>Pesach - Passover*</b>   | Judaism  | <a href="https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of-shemot-exodus">https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of-shemot-exodus</a>   |
| Sunday               | 17      | <b>Easter Sunday - Gregorian Calendar</b>                                       | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday</a>   |
| Monday               | 18      | <b>Easter Monday - Gregorian Calendar</b>                                       | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family-and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we-observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank-holiday-in-scotland-2537177">https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family-and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we-observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank-holiday-in-scotland-2537177</a> |
| Thursday             | 21      | <b>First Day of Ridván</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                                     | <a href="http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván">http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván</a>   |
| Thursday             | 21      | <b>Grounation Day</b>   | Rastafarian Holy Day                             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day</a>   |
| Friday               | 22      | <b>Earth Day – International Mother Earth Day</b>                               | United Nations                                   | <a href="#">International Mother Earth Day</a>  |
| Friday               | 22      | <b>Orthodox Holy Friday</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                  | <a href="https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/orthodox-good-friday">https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/orthodox-good-friday</a>   |
| Friday               | 22      | <b>Yonge Street Van Attack - Remembrance Day</b><br><b>ACTUAL DATE 23 APRIL</b> | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toronto_van_attack">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toronto_van_attack</a>   |
| Sunday               | 24      | <b>Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day</b>                                      | Government of Canada (Recognition)               | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genocide_Remembrance_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genocide_Remembrance_Day</a>   |
| Sunday               | 24      | <b>Orthodox Easter Sunday</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                  | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha</a>   |
| Monday               | 25      | <b>Feast of St. Mark</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)      | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Mark-the-Evangelist">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Mark-the-Evangelist</a>   |
| Monday               | 25      | <b>Orthodox Easter Monday</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                  | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/orthodox-easter-monday">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/orthodox-easter-monday</a>   |
| Thursday             | 28      | <b>National Day of Mourning - Canada</b>  | Government of Canada                             | <a href="https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/">https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/</a>   |

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| Thursday | 28 | <b>Yom HaShoah - Holocaust Remembrance Day*</b> | Judaism      | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_HaShoah">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_HaShoah</a>   |
| Friday   | 29 | <b>Jumu'atul-Wida*</b>                          | Islam        | <a href="https://knowinsiders.com/jumu'atul-wida-history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and-quotes-30302.html">https://knowinsiders.com/jumu'atul-wida-history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and-quotes-30302.html</a> |
| Friday   | 29 | <b>Laylat al-Qadr - Night of Power*</b>         | Islam        | <a href="https://www.muslimaid.org/what-we-do/religious-dues/the-night-of-power-laylat-ul-qadr/">https://www.muslimaid.org/what-we-do/religious-dues/the-night-of-power-laylat-ul-qadr/</a>                               |
| Friday   | 29 | <b>Ninth Day of Ridván</b>                      | Bahá'í Faith | <a href="https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan-unity-human-family/">https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan-unity-human-family/</a>   |

## MAY 2022

| Day of Week         | Date    | Event  | Source   | Website   |
|---------------------|---------|--|--|---|
| Sunday              | 01      | <b>Beltane</b>   | Wicca/Pagan  | <a href="https://beltane.org/about-beltane/">https://beltane.org/about-beltane/</a>   |
| Sunday              | 01      | <b>International Family Equality Day</b>   | Family Equality Council  | <a href="https://www.familyequality.org/international-family-equality-day/">https://www.familyequality.org/international-family-equality-day/</a>   |
| Monday to Wednesday | 02 - 04 | <b>Eid al-Fitr*</b>  | Islam  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/story/eid-al-fitr">https://www.britannica.com/story/eid-al-fitr</a>   |
| Monday              | 02      | <b>Twelfth Day of Ridván</b>   | Bahá'í Faith   | <a href="https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and-exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/">https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and-exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday    | 02 - 06 | <b>Children's Mental Health Week</b>   | Canadian Mental Health Association (Adopted by Toronto District School)  | <a href="https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/">https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 03      | <b>Akshaya Tritiya</b>   | Hinduism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya</a>   |
| Thursday            | 05      | <b>National Inquiry: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada</b>       | Government of Canada   | <a href="https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report">https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report</a>   |
| Thursday            | 05      | <b>Red Dress Day: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People</b> | Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - Assembly of First Nations            | <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456</a>                           |
| Sunday              | 15      | <b>International Day of Families</b>   | United Nations   | <a href="https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/publications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html">https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/publications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html</a>           |
| Sunday              | 08      | <b>Mother's Day</b>  | Old Farmer's Almanac   | <a href="https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is-mothers-day">https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is-mothers-day</a>   |
| Monday              | 16      | <b>Vesak (Wesak) Day</b>   | Buddhism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 17      | <b>International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia</b>                    | International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia (IDAHOTB) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_Against_Homophobia,_Transphobia_and_Biphobia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_Against_Homophobia,_Transphobia_and_Biphobia</a> |
| Friday              | 20      | <b>Malcolm X Day</b>   | Government of the United States  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcolm-X">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcolm-X</a>   |
| Monday              | 23      | <b>Queen Victoria Day</b>  | Government of Canada   | <a href="https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria">https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria</a>   |

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| Tuesday            | 24            | <b>Declaration of the Bá'b*</b>           | Bahá'i Faith                         | <a href="https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the-declaration-of-the-bab">https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the-declaration-of-the-bab</a>   |
| Thursday           | 26            | <b>Ascension of Jesus Christ</b>          | Christianity (Western)               | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jesus">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jesus</a>   |
| Sunday             | 29            | <b>Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh*</b>          | Bahá'i Faith                         | <a href="https://www.bahai.org/bahai-calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahauallah/">https://www.bahai.org/bahai-calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahauallah/</a>   |
| Sunday to Saturday | 29 to 04 June | <b>National Access Ability Week</b>       | Government of Canada                 | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-accessability-week.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-accessability-week.html</a> |
| Monday to Friday   | 30 to 03 June | <b>Bike to School Week (Culture Link)</b> | Toronto District School Board (TDSB) | <a href="https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and-recreation/bike-to-school/">https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and-recreation/bike-to-school/</a>   |

## JUNE 2022

| Day of Week           | Date    | Event   | Source  | Website   |
|-----------------------|---------|---|---|---|
| Wednesday             | 01      | <b>Intergenerational Day</b>                    | Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse  | <a href="https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967-june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada">https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967-june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada</a>   |
| Wednesday to Thursday | 01 - 30 | <b>Toronto Pride Festival Month</b>             | Toronto Pride                                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto</a>   |
| Friday                | 03      | <b>Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Ji</b>           | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Arjan">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Arjan</a>   |
| Sunday                | 05      | <b>Pentecost</b>                                | Judaism/Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early-church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost-come-from.html">https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early-church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost-come-from.html</a>   |
| Sunday                | 05      | <b>World Environment Day</b>                    | United Nations                                      | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/environment-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/environment-day</a>   |
| Sunday and Monday     | 05 - 06 | <b>Shavu'ot*</b>                                | Judaism   | <a href="http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayc.htm">http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayc.htm</a>   |
| Sunday                | 12      | <b>Filipino Independence Day</b>                | Government of Canada (Recognition)                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_Day_(Philippines)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_Day_(Philippines)</a>   |
| Sunday                | 12      | <b>World Day Against Child Labour</b>           | United Nations                                      | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day-against-child-labour/background">https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day-against-child-labour/background</a>   |
| Tuesday               | 14      | <b>Saga Dawa Düchen</b>                         | Buddhism (Tibetan)                                  | <a href="https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/saga-dawa-duchen-2022/">https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/saga-dawa-duchen-2022/</a>   |
| Saturday              | 18      | <b>International Day to Counter Hate Speech</b> | United Nations                                      | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%2018%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf">https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%2018%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf</a> |
| Sunday                | 19      | <b>Father's Day</b>                             | Old Farmer's Almanac                                | <a href="https://www.almanac.com/content/when-fathers-day">https://www.almanac.com/content/when-fathers-day</a>   |
| Sunday                | 19      | <b>Juneteenth</b>                               | Government of the United States                     | <a href="https://www.history.com/news/what-is-juneteenth">https://www.history.com/news/what-is-juneteenth</a>   |

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| Monday   | 20 | <b>World Refugee Day</b>  | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee-day</a>   |
| Tuesday  | 21 | <b>Litha*</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                 | <a href="https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of-summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244">https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of-summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244</a>   |
| Tuesday  | 21 | <b>National Indigenous Persons Day - Canada</b>                     | First Nations, Métis, Inuit                 | <a href="https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/national-indigenesusous-peoples-day?year=2023&amp;language=ka">https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/national-indigenesusous-peoples-day?year=2023&amp;language=ka</a>                     |
| Tuesday  | 21 | <b>World Humanist Day</b>   | International Humanist and Ethical Union    | <a href="https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&amp;ion=1&amp;espv=2&amp;ie=UTF-8#safe=strict&amp;q=humanism">https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&amp;ion=1&amp;espv=2&amp;ie=UTF-8#safe=strict&amp;q=humanism</a>     |
| Thursday | 23 | <b>National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism</b>         | Government of Canada                        | <a href="https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/23/statement-prime-minister-national-day-remembrance-victims-terrorism">https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/23/statement-prime-minister-national-day-remembrance-victims-terrorism</a> |
| Friday   | 24 | <b>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</b>                             | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/">https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/</a>     |
| Friday   | 24 | <b>St. Jean Baptiste Day</b>  | Quebec and Francophone Culture              | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec</a>   |
| Sunday   | 26 | <b>International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking</b> | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day">International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking</a>  |
| Sunday   | 26 | <b>International Day in Support of Victims of Torture</b>           | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day</a>   |
| Monday   | 27 | <b>Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day</b>                 | Canadian Mental Health Association          | <a href="https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic-stress-disorder-ptsd">https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic-stress-disorder-ptsd</a>   |

## JULY 2022

| Day of Week         | Date    | Event                               | Source               | Website   |
|---------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---|
| Friday              | 01      | <b>Canada Day</b>                   | Government of Canada | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html</a>   |
| Friday to Tuesday   | 08 – 12 | <b>Hajj*</b>                        | Islam                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj</a>   |
| Friday              | 08      | <b>Waqf al Arafa*</b>               | Islam                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah</a>   |
| Sunday              | 10      | <b>Martyrdom of the Bá'b*</b>       | Bahá'i Faith         | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the_B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed%20by%20a, had%20ascended%20to%20the%20skies.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the_B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed%20by%20a, had%20ascended%20to%20the%20skies.</a> |
| Sunday to Wednesday | 10 – 13 | <b>Eid al Adha*</b>                 | Islam                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha</a>   |
| Monday              | 11      | <b>Imamat Day*</b>                  | Islam                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 13      | <b>Asalha Puja Day - Dhamma Day</b> | Buddhism             | <a href="http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx">http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx</a>   |

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| Wednesday | 13 | <b>Guru Purnima Day</b>                         | Buddhism/Jainism                                | <a href="http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx">http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx</a> |
| Saturday  | 16 | <b>Ethiopian Constitution Day</b>               | Government of Ethiopia and Rastafarian Holy Day | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution_of_Ethiopia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution_of_Ethiopia</a>   |
| Monday    | 18 | <b>Nelson Mandela International Day</b>         | United Nations                                  | <a href="http://www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela-9397017">www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela-9397017</a>  |
| Saturday  | 23 | <b>Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie I</b>     | Rastafarian Holy Day                            | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile-Selassie-I">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile-Selassie-I</a>   |
| Saturday  | 30 | <b>Al-Hijra New Year*</b>                       | Islam   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year</a>   |
| Saturday  | 30 | <b>World Day Against Trafficking in Persons</b> | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-human-trafficking-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-human-trafficking-day</a>   |

## AUGUST 2022

| Day of Week        | Date    | Event  | Source                                      | Website   |
|--------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Monday             | 01      | <b>Chokhor Ducchën Festival</b>                            | Buddhism (Tibetan)                          | <a href="https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen-2022/">https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen-2022/</a>   |
| Monday             | 01      | <b>Lord Simcoe Day - Founder's Day</b>                     | Government of Toronto (Municipal)           | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday</a>   |
| Monday             | 01      | <b>Lughnassadh/Lammas*</b>                                 | Wicca/Pagan                                 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnassadh">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnassadh</a>   |
| Monday             | 01      | <b>Terry Fox Day</b>                                       | Terry Fox Foundation                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox</a>   |
| Saturday           | 06      | <b>Transfiguration of Christ</b>                           | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox-calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our-lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html">https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox-calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our-lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html</a> |
| Sunday             | 07      | <b>Tishah B'av*</b>  | Judaism                                     | <a href="http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm">http://www.jewfaq.org/holidayd.htm</a>   |
| Monday             | 08      | <b>Àshùrà*</b>   | Islam                                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura</a>   |
| Tuesday            | 09      | <b>International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples</b> | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenous-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenous-day</a>   |
| Thursday           | 11      | <b>Raksha Bandhan</b>                                      | Hinduism/Jainism                            | <a href="https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha-bandhan">https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha-bandhan</a>   |
| Friday             | 12      | <b>International Youth Day</b>                             | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth-day/background">https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth-day/background</a>   |
| Saturday to Monday | 13 – 15 | <b>Obon Festival - Ulambana</b>                            | Buddhism (Shintoism)                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival</a>   |
| Monday             | 15      | <b>Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God</b>         | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)             | <a href="https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/102302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v">https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/102302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v</a>   |

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| Wednesday           | 17      | <b>Marcus Garvey's Birthday</b>  | Rastafarian Holy Day | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/marcus-garvey">https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/marcus-garvey</a>   |
| Thursday and Friday | 18 - 19 | <b>Krishna Janmashtami</b>   | Hinduism             | <a href="https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashtami-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/">https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashtami-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/</a>   |
| Sunday              | 21      | <b>Birth of Lord Zoroaster - Khordad Sal</b>   | Zoroastrian          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal</a>   |
| Monday              | 22      | <b>International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief</b> | United Nations       | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/religious-freedom-day/">International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief</a>  |
| Tuesday             | 23      | <b>International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition</b>                  | United Nations       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_for_the_Remembrance_of_the_Slave_Trade_and_its_Abolition">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_for_the_Remembrance_of_the_Slave_Trade_and_its_Abolition</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 24      | <b>Paryushana Parvarambha</b>  | Jainism              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:text=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%20is,or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20day).">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:text=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%20is,or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20day).</a> |
| Wednesday           | 31      | <b>Ganesh Chaturthi</b>  | Hinduism             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh_Chaturthi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh_Chaturthi</a>   |

## SEPTEMBER 2022

| Day of Week | Date | Event  | Source  | Website   |
|-------------|------|--|---|---|
| Thursday    | 01   | <b>Installation of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji</b> | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri-guru-granth-sahib/">https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri-guru-granth-sahib/</a>   |
| Monday      | 05   | <b>Labour Day</b>  | Government of Canada  | <a href="http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/origins-of-labour-day-feature/">http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/origins-of-labour-day-feature/</a>   |
| Thursday    | 08   | <b>International Day of Literacy</b>                               | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International-Literacy-Day">https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International-Literacy-Day</a>   |
| Thursday    | 08   | <b>Nativity of Mary</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)                                     | <a href="https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary">https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary</a>   |
| Friday      | 09   | <b>Anant Chaturdashi</b>   | Jainism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdashi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdashi</a>   |
| Friday      | 09   | <b>International Day to Protect Education from Attack</b>          | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect-education-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect-education-day</a>   |
| Sunday      | 11   | <b>Coptic New Year - Nayrouz</b>                                   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text=Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20%D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2, and%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text=Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20%D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2, and%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.</a> |
| Sunday      | 11   | <b>Ethiopian New Year</b>  | Government of Ethiopia and Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Rastafarian Holy Day | <a href="https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new-years-day/">https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new-years-day/</a>   |
| Sunday      | 11   | <b>Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist</b>                           | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_John_the_Baptist">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_John_the_Baptist</a>   |

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| Thursday              | 15          | <b>International Day of Democracy</b>                               | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/democracy-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/democracy-day</a>   |
| Sunday                | 18          | <b>Terry Fox Run - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Labour Day</b>       | Terry Fox Foundation                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run</a>   |
| Monday                | 19          | <b>Powley Day</b>   | First Nations, Métis                                  | <a href="https://www.metisnation.org/news/september-19-powley-day/">https://www.metisnation.org/news/september-19-powley-day/</a>   |
| Monday to Sunday      | 19 - 25     | <b>International Week of the Deaf - Last Full Week of September</b> | Canadian Association and World Federation of the Deaf | <a href="https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&amp;holiday=969&amp;year=2023">https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&amp;holiday=969&amp;year=2023</a>                             |
| Wednesday             | 21          | <b>International Day of Peace</b>                                   | United Nations  | <a href="http://www.un.org/events/peaceday/">www.un.org/events/peaceday/</a>  |
| Wednesday to Thursday | 21 - 29     | <b>Mabon</b>  | Wicca/Pagan   | <a href="https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mabon/">https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mabon/</a>   |
| Thursday to Saturday  | 22 - 24     | <b>Ohigan - Autumn Festival</b>                                     | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen</a>   |
| Friday                | 23          | <b>International Day of Sign Languages</b>                          | World Federation of the Deaf                          | <a href="https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of-the-deaf/">https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of-the-deaf/</a>   |
| Sunday                | 25          | <b>Franco-Ontarian Day</b>  | Government of Ontario                                 | <a href="https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franco-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white">https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franco-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white</a> |
| Monday and Tuesday    | 26 - 27     | <b>Rosh Hashanah*</b>   | Judaism   | <a href="http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm">http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm</a>   |
| Monday to Wednesday   | 26 – 05 Oct | <b>Navratri</b>   | Hinduism  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri</a>   |
| Tuesday               | 27          | <b>Elevation of the Holy Cross</b>                                  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                       | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy_Cross">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy_Cross</a>   |
| Friday                | 30          | <b>National Day of Truth and Reconciliation</b>                     | First Nation, Métis, Inuit                            | <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national-truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national-truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540</a>       |
| Friday                | 30          | <b>Orange Shirt Day</b>   | First Nations, Métis, Inuit                           | <a href="https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html">https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html</a>   |

## OCTOBER 2022

| Day of Week           | Date    | Event                                      | Source                 | Website   |
|-----------------------|---------|--|------------------------|---|
| Saturday              | 01      | <b>International Day for Older Persons</b> | United Nations         | <a href="#">International Day of Older Persons</a>  |
| Saturday              | 01      | <b>Mehregan</b>                            | Zoroastrian            | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan</a>   |
| Saturday to Wednesday | 01 - 05 | <b>Durga Puja</b>                          | Hinduism               | <a href="https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/travel/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring-goddess.shtml">https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/travel/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring-goddess.shtml</a> |
| Sunday                | 02      | <b>International Day of Non-Violence</b>   | United Nations         | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence-day</a>   |
| Tuesday               | 04      | <b>Sisters in Spirit</b>                   | Status of Women Canada | <a href="https://nwac.ca/about-us">https://nwac.ca/about-us</a>   |

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|--------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Wednesday          | 05      | <b>Walk to School Day - 1st Wednesday in October</b>                         | Adopted by Toronto District School Board (TDSB) | <a href="https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn-more/why-walkbike/">https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn-more/why-walkbike/</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 05      | <b>World Teachers' Day</b>   | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers'_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers'_Day</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 05      | <b>Yom Kippur<sup>*3</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>                                     |
| Saturday           | 08      | <b>Mawlid-al-Nabi - Prophet's Birthday<sup>*</sup></b>                       | Islam   | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid">https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid</a>   |
| Sunday             | 09      | <b>Kathina Festival/Paváraná Day</b>   | Buddhism (Theravada)                            | <a href="https://feast-guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html">https://feast-guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html</a>   |
| Monday             | 10      | <b>Thanksgiving Day - Canada</b>   | Government of Canada                            | <a href="https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts-culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in-canada">https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts-culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in-canada</a> |
| Monday             | 10      | <b>World Mental Health Day</b>   | World Health Organization                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_Health_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_Health_Day</a>   |
| Monday to Friday   | 10 - 14 | <b>Body Confidence Awareness Week - 2nd Week October</b>                     | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)            | <a href="https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body-confidence-awareness-week-1">https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body-confidence-awareness-week-1</a>   |
| Monday to Friday   | 10 - 14 | <b>Week Without Violence - 3rd Week of October</b>                           | YMCA  | <a href="https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/">https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/</a>   |
| Monday to Sunday   | 10 - 16 | <b>Sukkot<sup>*4</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukkot-101/">https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukkot-101/</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 12      | <b>Bandi Chhor Divas</b>   | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of-bandi-chhor-divas/">https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of-bandi-chhor-divas/</a>   |
| Thursday           | 13      | <b>Karva Chauth<sup>*</sup></b>  | Hinduism  | <a href="https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva-chauth">https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva-chauth</a>   |
| Sunday             | 16      | <b>World Food Day</b>  | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/">https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/</a>   |
| Monday             | 17      | <b>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</b>                      | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/eradication-poverty/">https://www.un.org/en/observances/eradication-poverty/</a>   |
| Monday and Tuesday | 17 – 18 | <b>Shemini Atzeret<sup>*</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm</a>                                     |
| Tuesday            | 18      | <b>Simchat Torah<sup>*</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm</a>                                     |
| Thursday           | 20      | <b>Gurgadi of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji <u>as</u> Guru</b> | Sikhism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Granth_Sahib">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Granth_Sahib</a>   |
| Monday to Friday   | 17 - 21 | <b>Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week</b>                           | Government of Ontario                           | <a href="https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying-awareness-week/">https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying-awareness-week/</a>   |
| Monday             | 24      | <b>Diwali</b>  | Hinduism/Jainism/Sikhism                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali</a>   |

<sup>3</sup> **Yom Kippur**: work should be suspended during this observance.

<sup>4</sup> **Sukkot**: work should be suspended on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> of October during this observance.

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| Wednesday        | 26                | <b>Birth of the Bá'b</b>    | Bahá'i Faith                             | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/birthbab.shtml">https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/birthbab.shtml</a>                             |
| Thursday         | 27                | <b>Birth of Bahá'u'lláh</b> | Bahá'i Faith                             | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3%A1%CA%BCu%27II%C3%A1h">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3%A1%CA%BCu%27II%C3%A1h</a>                                   |
| Saturday         | 29                | <b>Gyan Panchami</b>        | Jainism                                  | <a href="http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian-festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/">http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian-festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/</a> |
| Monday to Friday | 31 to November 04 | <b>GLSEN Ally Week</b>      | Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network | <a href="https://www.glsen.org/">https://www.glsen.org/</a>   |

## NOVEMBER 2022

| Day of Week      | Date    | Event  | Source                                      | Website   |
|------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Tuesday          | 01      | <b>All Saints Day</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_Day</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 01      | <b>Samhain *</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                 | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain</a>   |
| Wednesday        | 02      | <b>Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I</b>                    | Rastafarian Holy Day                        | <a href="https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coronation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia-1930/">https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coronation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia-1930/</a> |
| Monday to Friday | 07 - 11 | <b>Treaties Recognition Week - First Full Week of November</b> | Government of Ontario                       | <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties-recognition-week">https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties-recognition-week</a>   |
| Monday           | 07      | <b>Inuit Day</b>   | Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada            | <a href="https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/">https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 08      | <b>National Indigenous Veterans' Day</b>                       | Indigenous Peoples (Veteran Affairs Canada) | <a href="https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/1605287188462">https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/1605287188462</a>   |
| Friday           | 11      | <b>Remembrance: Veterans' Day</b>                              | Government of Canada                        | <a href="http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/history/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance-day/">http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/history/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance-day/</a>             |
| Monday           | 14      | <b>World Diabetes Day</b>                                      | World Health Organization                   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_Day</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 15      | <b>Descending Day of Lord Buddha</b>                           | Buddhism (Tibetan)                          | <a href="https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending-day-of-lord-buddha/">https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending-day-of-lord-buddha/</a>   |
| Wednesday        | 16      | <b>Louis Riel Day</b><br><b>Riel's Exécution</b>               | Métis Nation                                | <a href="https://www.metisnation.org/culture-heritage/louis-riel-day-info/">https://www.metisnation.org/culture-heritage/louis-riel-day-info/</a>   |
| Sunday           | 20      | <b>International Transgender Day of Remembrance</b>            | Gwendolyn A. Smith, US Trans Advocate       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith.jpg">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith.jpg</a>                   |
| Sunday           | 20      | <b>World Children's Day</b>                                    | United Nations                              | <a href="http://www.unicef.org/world-childrens-day">World Children's Day</a>  |
| Monday           | 21      | <b>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>                 | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_Mary">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_Mary</a>   |
| Thursday         | 24      | <b>Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur</b>                          | Sikhism                                     | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur</a>   |

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| Friday             | 25                | <b>International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women</b>        | United Nations              | <a href="https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women">https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women</a>   |
| Saturday           | 26                | <b>Day of the Covenant</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Covenant_(Bah%C3%A1'í_Faith)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Covenant_(Bah%C3%A1'í_Faith)</a>   |
| Saturday           | 26                | <b>National Holodomor Memorial Day - 4th Saturday In November<sup>5</sup></b> | Ukrainian Canadian Congress | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Memorial_Day#:~:text=Day%20of%20memory%20for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20of%20November">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Memorial_Day#:~:text=Day%20of%20memory%20for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20of%20November</a> |
| Sunday to Saturday | 27 to 24 December | <b>Advent</b>   | Christianity (Western)      | <a href="https://www.christianity.com/christian-life/christmas/what-is-advent.html">https://www.christianity.com/christian-life/christmas/what-is-advent.html</a>   |
| Monday             | 28                | <b>Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá*</b>   | Bahá'í Faith                | <a href="https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/">https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 30                | <b>Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib</b>                                       | Sikhism                     | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru-nanak-birthday">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru-nanak-birthday</a>   |

## DECEMBER 2022

| Day of Week         | Date                  | Event   | Source                          | Website   |
|---------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Thursday            | 01                    | <b>World AIDS Day</b>   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-aids-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-aids-day</a>   |
| Friday              | 02                    | <b>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</b>                   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery-abolition-day/messages">https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery-abolition-day/messages</a>                             |
| Saturday            | 03                    | <b>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</b>                   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities">https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities</a>                         |
| Tuesday             | 06                    | <b>National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women</b> | Government of Canada            | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%89cole_Polytechnique_massacre">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%89cole_Polytechnique_massacre</a>                               |
| Thursday            | 08                    | <b>Bodhi Day - Buddha's Enlightenment</b>                               | Buddhism                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day</a>   |
| Thursday            | 08                    | <b>St. Clements of Ohrid Patrons' Day</b>                               | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) | <a href="https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730">https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730</a>   |
| Saturday            | 10                    | <b>Human Rights Day</b>   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 13                    | <b>Birthday of Imám Aga Khan*</b>                                       | Islam                           | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan</a>   |
| Sunday              | 18                    | <b>International Migrants Day</b>                                       | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants-day</a>   |
| Sunday to Monday    | 19 - 26               | <b>Chanukah (Hanukkah)*<sup>6</sup></b>                                 | Judaism                         | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2022/jewish/holidays-2022.htm</a> |
| Wednesday to Sunday | 21 to 01 January 2023 | <b>Yule</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                     | <a href="https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/yule/">https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/yule/</a>   |

<sup>5</sup> TDSB Commemorates this event on the Friday before the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in November

<sup>6</sup> **Chanukah (Hannakah):** Work is permitted during this observance

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|------------------|-----------------------|--|---|---|
| Sunday           | 25                    | <b>Christmas Day</b><br><b>Gregorian Calendar</b>            | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western) | <a href="https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas">https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas</a>                               |
| Monday           | 26                    | <b>Boxing Day</b>  | Government of Canada                            | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html</a> |
| Monday           | 26                    | <b>Death of Lord Zoroaster</b><br><b>Zarathosht No Diso</b>  | Zoroastrian                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso</a>   |
| Monday to Sunday | 26 to 01 January 2023 | <b>Kwanzaa</b>   | African Canadian/American Celebration           | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history</a>                           |
| To Be Announced  |                       | <b>Christmas Day - Gregorian Calendar</b><br><b>LIEU DAY</b> | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western) | <b>SEE 25 DECEMBER 2022</b>   |
| To Be Announced  |                       | <b>Remembrance: Veterans' Day</b><br><b>LIEU DAY</b>         | Government of Canada                            | <b>SEE 11 NOVEMBER 2022</b>   |

## JANUARY 2023

| Day of Week     | Date | Event   | Source                                       | Website   |
|-----------------|------|---|--|---|
| Sunday          | 01   | <b>Gantan-sai</b>   | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Japanese_New_Year</a>   |
| Sunday          | 01   | <b>New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar</b>                    | Government of Canada                         | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/international-new-years-day">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/international-new-years-day</a>   |
| To Be Announced |      | <b>New Year's Day - Gregorian Calendar</b><br><b>LIEU DAY</b> | Government of Canada                         | <b>SEE NEW YEAR'S DAY<br/>01 JANUARY 2023</b>   |
| Monday          | 02   | <b>Pasha Putrada Ekadashi</b>                                 | Hinduism/Sikhism                             | <a href="https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putrada/pausha-putrada-ekadashi-date-time.html?year=2023">https://www.drikpanchang.com/ekadashis/putrada/pausha-putrada-ekadashi-date-time.html?year=2023</a>                 |
| Tuesday         | 03   | <b>Fast of Tevet<sup>7</sup></b>                              | Judaism                                      | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Thursday        | 05   | <b>Twelfth Night</b>  | Christianity (Western)                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(holiday)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Twelfth_Night_(holiday)</a>   |
| Friday          | 06   | <b>Feast of the Epiphany</b>                                  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)  | <a href="https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the-feast-of-the-epiphany">https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/35171/want-to-know-the-history-behind-the-feast-of-the-epiphany</a> |
| Saturday        | 07   | <b>Orthodox Christmas</b>                                     | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)              | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Nativity</a>   |
| Saturday        | 07   | <b>Mahayana New Year</b>                                      | Buddhism (Mahayana)                          | <a href="#">The Origins and Practice of Holidays: Mahayana New Year</a>   |
| Sunday          | 08   | <b>Baptism of Jesus Christ</b>                                | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)  | <a href="https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html">https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-stories/baptism-of-jesus-bible-story.html</a>   |

<sup>7</sup> **Fast of Tevat** – work is permitted during this observance

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|---------------------|---------|---|--|---|
| Friday              | 13      | <b>Punjabi Lohri</b>  | Hinduism/Sikhism                                       | <a href="#">What is Lohri? Why is it celebrated? - IndiaToday</a>   |
| Saturday            | 14      | <b>Maghi</b>  | Sikhism  | <a href="https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh-festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi">https://www.allaboutsikhs.com/sikh-festivals/the-sikh-festivals-maghi</a>   |
| Saturday            | 14      | <b>Orthodox New Year's Day</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Old_New_Year</a>   |
| Sunday              | 15      | <b>Makara Sankranti</b>   | Hinduism   | <a href="https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article/makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of-festival">https://isha.sadhguru.org/us/en/wisdom/article/makar-sankranti-significance-and-benefits-of-festival</a>                               |
| Sunday              | 15      | <b>World Religion Day</b>   | Bahá'í Faith   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Religion_Day</a>   |
| Sunday to Wednesday | 15 - 18 | <b>Thai Pongal</b>  | Hinduism (Tamil)                                       | <a href="#">What is Thai Pongal? - Medium</a>   |
| Monday              | 16      | <b>Martin Luther King Jr. Day</b>   | Government of the United States                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Luther_King_Jr.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Martin_Luther_King_Jr.</a>   |
| Monday to Friday    | 16 - 20 | <b>No Name Calling Week - Starts 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday in January</b>               | GLSEN  | <a href="#">No Name-Calling Week - 2021   GLSEN</a>   |
| Friday              | 20      | <b>Guru Gobind Singh Ji Birthday</b>  | Sikhism  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Gobind_Singh#:~:text=He%20was%20born%20in%20Patna,four%20years%20of%20his%20life</a> |
| Sunday              | 22      | <b>Chinese New Year</b>   | Chinese National Holiday and Buddhism/Confucian/Daoism | <a href="#">21 Things You Didn't Know About Chinese New Year</a>  |
| Sunday              | 22      | <b>Lunar New Year - Spring Festival</b>   | Buddhism/Confucian/Daoism                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lunar_New_Year</a>   |
| Saturday to Friday  | 21 -27  | <b>Chinese Spring Festival</b>  | Government of China                                    | <a href="https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/">https://publicholidays.cn/spring-festival/</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 24      | <b>International Day of Education</b>   | United Nations   | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/education-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/education-day</a>   |
| Thursday            | 26      | <b>Vasant Pachami</b>   | Hinduism   | <a href="https://www.riritiwaz.com/5-facts-about-vasant-panchami/">https://www.riritiwaz.com/5-facts-about-vasant-panchami/</a>   |
| Friday              | 27      | <b>International Day of Commemoration in Memory of the Victims of the Holocaust</b> | United Nations   | <a href="https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/introduction-to-the-holocaust">https://encyclopedia.ushmm.org/content/en/article/introduction-to-the-holocaust</a>   |
| Friday              | 27      | <b>St. Sava Devine Day</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Serbian Holy Day       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Saint_Sava</a>   |
| Monday              | 30      | <b>Jashan-e-Sadeh</b>   | Zoroastrian  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sadeh</a>   |
| Sunday              | 15      | <b>Feast of the Wedding of Cana</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)            | <a href="https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible-study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from-the-wedding-at-cana.html">https://www.crosswalk.com/faith/bible-study/important-lessons-we-can-learn-from-the-wedding-at-cana.html</a>                       |

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| Day of Week            | Date           | Event   | Source                                       | Website   |
|------------------------|----------------|---|--|---|
| Wednesday              | 01             | Winter Walk to School Day   | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)         | <a href="https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/winter-walk-to-school-day/">https://kawarthanow.com/2016/01/28/winter-walk-to-school-day/</a>   |
| Thursday               | 02             | <b>Imbolc</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                  | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/imbolc</a>   |
| Thursday               | 02             | <b>Presentation (Meeting) of Our Lord</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)              | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Meeting_of_the_Lord</a>   |
| Friday                 | 03             | <b>Setsubun</b>   | Buddhism (Shintoism)                         | <a href="https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is-setsubun-22094">https://blog.japanwondertravel.com/what-is-setsubun-22094</a>   |
| Sunday                 | 05             | <b>Magha Puja Day - Lantern Festival</b>  | Buddhism                                     | <a href="https://en.dhammadownload.com/activities/magha-puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/">https://en.dhammadownload.com/activities/magha-puja-the-light-of-peace-ceremony/</a>   |
| Monday                 | 06             | <b>International Day of Zero Tolerance on Female Genital Cutting and Mutilation</b> | United Nations and World Health Organization | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_of_Zero_Tolerance_for_Female_Genital_Mutilation">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_of_Zero_Tolerance_for_Female_Genital_Mutilation</a>   |
| Monday                 | 06             | <b>Tu B'Shevat<sup>*8</sup></b>   | Judaism                                      | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Monday to Friday       | 13 - 17        | <b>Sexual and Reproductive Health Awareness Week</b>                                | Action Canada for Sexual Health and Rights   | <a href="https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek">https://www.actioncanadashr.org/srhweek</a>   |
| Wednesday              | 15             | <b>Parinirvana Day - Buddha's Death</b>   | Buddhism                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gautama_Buddha</a>   |
| Saturday               | 18             | <b>Isra'a and Miraj<sup>*</sup></b>   | Islam  | <a href="https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al-isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous-night-journey">https://muslimhands.org.uk/latest/2019/04/al-isra-wal-mi-raj-the-story-of-the-miraculous-night-journey</a>   |
| Saturday               | 18             | <b>Maha Shivaratri</b>  | Hinduism                                     | <a href="https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festivals/maha-shivaratri-2021-history-significance-and-celebration-101615434959914.html">https://www.hindustantimes.com/lifestyle/festivals/maha-shivaratri-2021-history-significance-and-celebration-101615434959914.html</a> |
| Monday                 | 20             | <b>Family Day</b>   | Government of Ontario                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Canada)#Ontario">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Family_Day_(Canada)#Ontario</a>   |
| Monday                 | 20             | <b>World Day of Social Justice</b>  | United Nations                               | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/social-justice-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/social-justice-day</a>   |
| Tuesday to Thursday    | 21 - 23        | <b>Tibetan New Year - Losar</b>   | Buddhism (Tibetan, Nepal, Bhutan)            | <a href="https://www.tibet.com/en/tibetan-new-year-losar-the-most-important-festival-in-tibet">Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most Important Festival in Tibet</a>   |
| Wednesday              | 22             | <b>Ash Wednesday</b>  | Christianity (Western)                       | <a href="https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php">https://www.catholic.org/lent/ashwed.php</a>   |
| Wednesday to Wednesday | 22 to 22 March | <b>Sha'ban and Mid-Sha'ban<sup>*</sup></b>  | Islam  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shab%27an">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shab%27an</a>   |
| Sunday to Wednesday    | 26 to 01 March | <b>Ayyám-i-Há - Intercalary Days</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                                 | <a href="https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/">https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/</a>   |

<sup>8</sup> Tu-B'Shevat – Work is permitted during this observance.

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|--------|----|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Monday | 27 | <b>Clean Monday - First Day of Lent</b> | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Clean_Monday</a> |
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## MARCH 2023

| Day of Week          | Date         | Event   | Source  | Website   |
|----------------------|--------------|---|---|---|
| Tuesday              | 07           | <b>Purim<sup>*9</sup></b>   | Judaism                                       | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>                         |
| Wednesday            | 08           | <b>Holi Festival<sup>*</sup></b>                                      | Hinduism                                      | <a href="https://www.holifestival.org/">https://www.holifestival.org/</a>   |
| Wednesday            | 08           | <b>International Women's Day</b>                                      | United Nations                                | <a href="https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in-focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens-day">https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/in-focus/2022/03/in-focus-international-womens-day</a> |
| Friday               | 10           | <b>Guan Yin Birthday</b>  | Buddhism (Taiwanese)                          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guanyin</a>   |
| Wednesday to Friday  | 08 - 10      | <b>Holla Mohalla</b>  | Sikhism                                       | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mahalla">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Hola_Mahalla</a>   |
| Monday               | 13           | <b>L. Ron Hubbard's Birthday</b>                                      | Church of Scientology                         | <a href="https://www.scientology.org/what-is-scientology/">Official Church of Scientology: What is Scientology?</a>   |
| Tuesday              | 14           | <b>Chet - Sikh New Year</b>   | Sikhism                                       | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Chet</a>   |
| Monday               | 20           | <b>Nawrúz - Persian New Year</b>                                      | Government of Iran<br>Holiday and Zoroastrian | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novruz">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/novruz</a>   |
| Monday and Tuesday   | 20 - 21      | <b>Ostara</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                   | <a href="https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ostara/about.html">https://www.northernpaganism.org/shrines/ostara/about.html</a>   |
| Tuesday              | 21           | <b>International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination</b> | United Nations                                | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-racism-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-racism-day</a>   |
| Tuesday              | 21           | <b>Nawrúz - Bahá'í New Year</b>                                       | Bahá'í Faith                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%CA%BC%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bah%C3%A1%CA%BC%C3%AD_Naw-R%C3%BAz</a>   |
| Tuesday              | 21           | <b>Ohigan - Spring Festival</b>                                       | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen</a>   |
| Wednesday            | 22           | <b>Saka New Year - Nyepi</b>  | Hinduism (Balinese)                           | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nyepi</a>   |
| Wednesday            | 22           | <b>World Water Day</b>  | United Nations                                | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/water-day</a>   |
| Wednesday            | 22           | <b>Hindu New Year</b>   | Government of India and Hinduism              | <a href="https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new-year/">https://publicholidays.co.id/bali-hindu-new-year/</a>   |
| Thursday to Thursday | 23 to Apr 20 | <b>Ramadan<sup>*</sup></b>  | Islam   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ramadan</a>   |
| Saturday             | 25           | <b>Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>                        | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox & Western)     | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation-Christianity">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Annunciation-Christianity</a>   |
| Thursday             | 30           | <b>Shri/Rama Navami</b>   | Hinduism                                      | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rama_Navami</a>   |

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## APRIL 2023

| Day of Week           | Date    | Event   | Source   | Website   |
|-----------------------|---------|---|--|---|
| Saturday to Wednesday | 01 - 12 | <b>Kha b-Nisan Spring Festival - Akitu</b>                | Assyrian Diaspora                                | <a href="https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the-assyrian-new-year-2/">https://www.auaf.us/blog/kha-bnissan-the-assyrian-new-year-2/</a>   |
| Tuesday               | 04      | <b>Memorial of Jesus' Death</b>                           | Jehovah's Witnesses                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ%27s_death">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ%27s_death</a>   |
| Thursday              | 06      | <b>Hanuman Jayanti</b>                                    | Hinduism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ%27s_death">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jehovah%27s_Witnesses_practices#Memorial_of_Christ%27s_death</a>   |
| Thursday to Saturday  | 06 - 08 | <b>Theravāda New Year</b>                                 | Buddhism (Theravada)                             | <a href="https://www.buddhistchannel.com.au/tibetan-new-year-losar-the-most-important-festival-in-tibet">Tibetan New Year(Losar) — The Most Important Festival in Tibet</a>   |
| Thursday to Thursday  | 06 - 13 | <b>Pesach - Passover<sup>*10</sup></b>                    | Judaism  | <a href="https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of-shemot-exodus">https://www.jewishvirtuallibrary.org/book-of-shemot-exodus</a>   |
| Friday                | 07      | <b>Good Friday - Gregorian Calendar</b>                   | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Good_Friday</a>   |
| Friday                | 07      | <b>Rwanda Genocide Memorial Day</b>                       | Government of Canada (Recognition)               | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genocide">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Rwandan_genocide</a>   |
| Friday                | 07      | <b>World Health Day</b>                                   | World Health Organization                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Health_Day</a>   |
| Sunday                | 09      | <b>Easter Sunday - Gregorian Calendar</b>                 | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday</a>   |
| Monday                | 10      | <b>Easter Monday - Gregorian Calendar</b>                 | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family-and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we-observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank-holiday-in-scotland-2537177">https://www.scotsman.com/lifestyle/family-and-parenting/easter-monday-2021-why-we-observe-easter-monday-is-the-date-a-bank-holiday-in-scotland-2537177</a> |
| Wednesday             | 12      | <b>International Day of Pink</b>                          | International Day of Pink Organization           | <a href="https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home">https://www.dayofpink.org/en/home</a>   |
| Friday                | 14      | <b>Baisakhi (Vaisakhi)</b>                                | Hinduism/Sikhism                                 | <a href="https://www.astrosamig.com/article/2022-vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134">https://www.astrosamig.com/article/2022-vaisakhi-festival-date-and-muhurat-3134</a>   |
| Friday                | 14      | <b>International Day of Silence - 2nd Friday in April</b> | Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network (GLSEN) | <a href="https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-silence/">https://nationaltoday.com/national-day-silence/</a>   |
| Friday                | 14      | <b>Mesha Sankranti - Solar New Year</b>                   | Hinduism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mesha_Sankranti</a>   |
| Friday                | 14      | <b>Orthodox Holy Friday</b>                               | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                  | <a href="https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/orthodox-good-friday">https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/orthodox-good-friday</a>   |
| Friday                | 14      | <b>Sinhalese New Year</b>                                 | Sri Lankan Government and Buddhism (Theravada)   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_Year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sinhalese_New_Year</a>   |

<sup>10</sup> **Pesach/Passover:** work should be suspended on April 6 - 7 and April 12 - 13. Work is permitted only on April 9 - 11 with certain restrictions

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|------------------|---------|---|---|---|
| Friday           | 14      | <b>Tamil New Year</b>   | Sri Lankan Government and Hinduism          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Puthandu</a>   |
| Sunday           | 16      | <b>Orthodox Easter Sunday</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)             | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Pascha</a>   |
| Monday           | 17      | <b>Orthodox Easter Monday</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)             | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/orthodox-easter-monday">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/orthodox-easter-monday</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 18      | <b>Laylat al-Qadr - Night of Power*</b>   | Islam                                       | <a href="https://www.muslimaid.org/what-we-do/religious-dues/the-night-of-power-laylat-ul-qadr/">https://www.muslimaid.org/what-we-do/religious-dues/the-night-of-power-laylat-ul-qadr/</a>                               |
| Tuesday          | 18      | <b>Yom HaShoah - Holocaust Remembrance Day*</b>                                 | Judaism                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_HaShoah">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yom_HaShoah</a>   |
| Friday to Sunday | 21 - 23 | <b>Eid al-Fitr*</b>   | Islam                                       | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/story/eid-al-fitr">https://www.britannica.com/story/eid-al-fitr</a>   |
| Friday           | 21      | <b>First Day of Ridván</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                                | <a href="http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván">http://bahai-library.com/walbridge_encyclopedia_Ridván</a>   |
| Friday           | 21      | <b>Grounation Day</b>   | Rastafarian Holy Day                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Grounation_Day</a>   |
| Friday           | 21      | <b>Jumu'atul-Wida*</b>  | Islam                                       | <a href="https://knowinsiders.com/jumu'atul-wida-history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and-quotes-30302.html">https://knowinsiders.com/jumu'atul-wida-history-significance-ritual-best-wishes-and-quotes-30302.html</a> |
| Saturday         | 22      | <b>Akshaya Tritiya</b>  | Hinduism                                    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Akshaya_Tritiya</a>   |
| Saturday         | 22      | <b>Earth Day – International Mother Earth Day</b>                               | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/earth-day/">International Mother Earth Day</a>   |
| Monday           | 24      | <b>Armenian Genocide Commemoration Day</b>                                      | Government of Canada (Recognition)          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genocide_Remembrance_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aréenian_Genocide_Remembrance_Day</a>   |
| Monday           | 24      | <b>Yonge Street Van Attack - Remembrance Day</b><br><b>ACTUAL DATE 23 APRIL</b> | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toronto_van_attack">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Toronto_van_attack</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 25      | <b>Feast of St. Mark</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Mark-the-Evangelist">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Saint-Mark-the-Evangelist</a>   |
| Friday           | 28      | <b>National Day of Mourning</b>   | Government of Canada                        | <a href="https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/">https://www.ccohs.ca/events/mourning/</a>   |
| Saturday         | 29      | <b>Ninth Day of Ridván</b>  | Bahá'í Faith                                | <a href="https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan-unity-human-family/">https://bahaiteachings.org/ninth-day-ridvan-unity-human-family/</a>   |

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| Day of Week      | Date    | Event                                | Source  | Website   |
|------------------|---------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Monday           | 01      | <b>Beltane</b>                       | Wicca/Pagan   | <a href="https://beltane.org/about-beltane/">https://beltane.org/about-beltane/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday | 01 - 05 | <b>Children's Mental Health Week</b> | Canadian Mental Health Association (Adopted by Toronto District School) | <a href="https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/">https://www.mentalhealthweek.ca/</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 02      | <b>Twelfth Day of Ridván</b>         | Bahá'í Faith  | <a href="https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and-exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/">https://bahaiteachings.org/exile-and-exuberance-the-12th-day-of-ridvan/</a> |

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|---------------------|---------------|--|---|---|
| Friday              | 05            | <b>National Inquiry: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women and Girls in Canada</b>       | Government of Canada  | <a href="https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report">https://www.mmiwg-ffada.ca/final-report</a>   |
| Friday              | 05            | <b>Red Dress Day: Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women, Girls and Two-Spirit People</b> | Canadian Broadcasting Corporation - Assembly of First Nations | <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/red-dress-day-2022-bc-1.6443456</a>   |
| Friday              | 05            | <b>Second Passover<sup>11</sup></b>  | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Sunday              | 07            | <b>International Family Equality Day</b>   | Family Equality Council                                       | <a href="https://www.familyequality.org/international-family-equality-day/">https://www.familyequality.org/international-family-equality-day/</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 09            | <b>Lag B'Omer<sup>12</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Sunday              | 14            | <b>Mother's Day</b>  | Old Farmer's Almanac  | <a href="https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is-mothers-day">https://www.almanac.com/content/when-is-mothers-day</a>   |
| Monday              | 15            | <b>International Day of Families</b>   | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/publications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html">https://www.un.org/development/desa/family/publications/un-reports-and-resolutions.html</a>                           |
| Friday              | 16            | <b>Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev Ji</b>  | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Arjan">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Arjan</a>   |
| Thursday            | 18            | <b>Ascension of Jesus Christ</b>   | Christianity (Western)  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jesus">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ascension_of_Jesus</a>   |
| Friday              | 19            | <b>Malcolm X Day</b>   | Government of the United States                               | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcolm-X">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Malcolm-X</a>   |
| Monday              | 22            | <b>Queen Victoria Day</b>  | Government of Canada  | <a href="https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria">https://www.royal.uk/queen-victoria</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 24            | <b>Declaration of the Bá'b<sup>*</sup></b>   | Bahá'í Faith  | <a href="https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the-declaration-of-the-bab">https://www.upliftingwords.org/post/the-declaration-of-the-bab</a>   |
| Friday and Saturday | 26 - 27       | <b>Shavu'ot<sup>*13</sup></b>  | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Sunday              | 28            | <b>Pentecost</b>   | Judaism/Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)           | <a href="https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early-church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost-come-from.html">https://www.christianity.com/jesus/early-church-history/pentecost/where-did-pentecost-come-from.html</a> |
| Sunday to Saturday  | 28 to June 03 | <b>National Access Ability Week</b>  | Government of Canada  | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-accessability-week.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/campaigns/national-accessability-week.html</a>       |
| Monday              | 29            | <b>Ascension of Bahá'u'llah<sup>*</sup></b>  | Bahá'í Faith  | <a href="https://www.bahai.org/bahai-calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahauddin">https://www.bahai.org/bahai-calendar/about-the-ascension-of-bahauddin</a>   |
| Monday to Friday    | 29 - 02 June  | <b>Bike to School Week (Culture Link)</b>  | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)                          | <a href="https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and-recreation/bike-to-school/">https://www.culturelink.ca/services/health-and-recreation/bike-to-school/</a>   |

<sup>11</sup> **Second Passover** – Work is permitted during this observance

<sup>12</sup> **Lag B'Omer** – Work is permitted during this observance

<sup>13</sup> **Shavu'ot** – Work should be suspended during this observance

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## JUNE 2023

| Day of Week        | Date    | Event   | Source   | Website   |
|--------------------|---------|---|--|---|
| Thursday           | 01      | <b>Intergenerational Day</b>                                | Canadian Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse | <a href="https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967-june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada">https://cnpea.ca/en/about-cnpea/blog/967-june-1st-is-intergenerational-day-canada</a>   |
| Thursday to Friday | 01 - 30 | <b>Toronto Pride Festival Month</b>                         | Toronto Pride                                      | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pride_Toronto</a>   |
| Sunday             | 04      | <b>Saga Dawa Düchen</b>                                     | Buddhism (Tibetan)                                 | <a href="https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/saga-dawa-duchen-2022/">https://www.universalcompassion.org/event/saga-dawa-duchen-2022/</a>   |
| Sunday             | 04      | <b>Vesak (Wesak) Day</b>                                    | Buddhism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vesak</a>   |
| Monday             | 05      | <b>World Environment Day</b>                                | United Nations                                     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/environment-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/environment-day</a>   |
| Monday             | 12      | <b>Filipino Independence Day</b>                            | Government of Canada (Recognition)                 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_Day_(Philippines)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Independence_Day_(Philippines)</a>   |
| Monday             | 12      | <b>World Day Against Child Labour</b>                       | United Nations                                     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day-against-child-labour/background">https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-day-against-child-labour/background</a>   |
| Sunday             | 18      | <b>Father's Day</b>   | Old Farmer's Almanac                               | <a href="https://www.almanac.com/content/when-fathers-day">https://www.almanac.com/content/when-fathers-day</a>   |
| Sunday             | 18      | <b>International Day to Counter Hate Speech</b>             | United Nations                                     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%2018%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf">https://www.un.org/en/genocideprevention/documents/UN%20Strategy%20and%20Plan%20of%20Action%20on%20Hate%20Speech%2018%20June%20SYNOPSIS.pdf</a> |
| Monday             | 19      | <b>Juneteenth</b>   | Government of the United States                    | <a href="https://www.history.com/news/what-is-juneteenth">https://www.history.com/news/what-is-juneteenth</a>   |
| Tuesday            | 20      | <b>World Refugee Day</b>                                    | United Nations                                     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/refugee-day</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 21      | <b>Litha*</b>   | Wicca/Pagan  | <a href="https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of-summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244">https://www.learnreligions.com/history-of-summer-solstice-holiday-litha-2562244</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 21      | <b>National Indigenous Persons Day - Canada</b>             | First Nations, Métis, Inuit                        | <a href="https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/national-indigenous-peoples-day?year=2023&amp;language=ka">https://time.astrosage.com/holidays/canada/national-indigenous-peoples-day?year=2023&amp;language=ka</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 21      | <b>World Humanist Day</b>                                   | International Humanist and Ethical Union           | <a href="https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&amp;ion=1&amp;espv=2&amp;ie=UTF-8#safe=strict&amp;q=humanism">https://www.google.ca/webhp?sourceid=chrome-instant&amp;ion=1&amp;espv=2&amp;ie=UTF-8#safe=strict&amp;q=humanism</a>   |
| Friday             | 23      | <b>National Day of Remembrance for Victims of Terrorism</b> | Government of Canada                               | <a href="https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/23/statement-prime-minister-national-day-remembrance-victims-terrorism">https://pm.gc.ca/en/news/statements/2022/06/23/statement-prime-minister-national-day-remembrance-victims-terrorism</a>   |
| Saturday           | 24      | <b>Nativity of St. John the Baptist</b>                     | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)        | <a href="https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/">https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/saints/saints-stories-for-all-ages/the-birth-of-john-the-baptist/</a>   |
| Saturday           | 24      | <b>St. Jean Baptiste Day</b>                                | Quebec and Francophone Culture                     | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/canada/quebec/the-national-holiday-of-quebec</a>   |

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|---------------------|---------------|--|------------------------------------|---|
| Monday              | 26            | International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking | United Nations                     | <a href="#">International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking</a>  |
| Monday              | 26            | International Day in Support of Victims of Torture           | United Nations                     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/torture-victims-day</a>                 |
| Tuesday             | 27            | Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder Awareness Day                 | Canadian Mental Health Association | <a href="https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic-stress-disorder-ptsd">https://cmha.ca/documents/post-traumatic-stress-disorder-ptsd</a> |
| Tuesday to Saturday | 27 to July 01 | Hajj*  | Islam                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hajj</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 28            | Waqf al Arafah*  | Islam                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_Arafah</a>                                     |
| Thursday to Sunday  | 29 to July 02 | Eid al Adha*   | Islam                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Eid_al-Adha</a>   |

## JULY 2023

| Day of Week          | Date  | Event                                | Source  | Website   |
|----------------------|-------|--------------------------------------|---|---|
| Saturday             | 01    | Canada Day                           | Government of Canada                            | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html</a>   |
| To Be Announced      |       | Canada Day LIEU DAY                  | Government of Canada                            | SEE JULY 01, 2023   |
| Monday               | 03    | Asalha Puja Day - Dhamma Day         | Buddhism  | <a href="http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx">http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx</a>   |
| Monday               | 03    | Guru Purnima Day                     | Buddhism/Jainism                                | <a href="http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx">http://www.beliefnet.com/faiths/buddhism/dharma-day-a-universal-celebration-of-the-buddhas-teachings.aspx</a>   |
| Thursday to Thursday | 06-27 | The Three Weeks <sup>14</sup>        | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Monday               | 10    | Martyrdom of the Bá'b*               | Bahá'i Faith                                    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the_B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed%20by%20a, had%20ascended%20to%20the%20skies.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Execution_of_the_B%C3%A1b#:~:text=He%20was%20killed%20by%20a, had%20ascended%20to%20the%20skies.</a> |
| Tuesday              | 11    | Imamat Day*                          | Islam   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Imamat_Day</a>   |
| Sunday               | 16    | Ethiopian Constitution Day           | Government of Ethiopia and Rastafarian Holy Day | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution_of_Ethiopia">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1931_Constitution_of_Ethiopia</a>   |
| Tuesday              | 18    | Nelson Mandela International Day     | United Nations                                  | <a href="http://www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela-9397017">www.biography.com/people/nelson-mandela-9397017</a>  |
| Wednesday            | 19    | Al-Hijra New Year*                   | Islam   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hijri_year</a>   |
| Sunday               | 23    | Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie I | Rastafarian Holy Day                            | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile-Selassie-I">https://www.britannica.com/biography/Haile-Selassie-I</a>   |

<sup>14</sup> **The Three Weeks:** Work is permitted during this observance except for Tisha B'av (see 27 July)

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|----------|----|---|--------------------|---|
| Thursday | 27 | <b>Tishah B'av<sup>*15</sup></b>                | Judaism            | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a> |
| Friday   | 28 | <b>Àshùrà<sup>*</sup></b>                       | Islam              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ashura</a>   |
| Monday   | 30 | <b>World Day Against Trafficking in Persons</b> | United Nations     | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-human-trafficking-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/end-human-trafficking-day</a>                                       |
| Friday   | 21 | <b>Chokhor Ducchën Festival</b>                 | Buddhism (Tibetan) | <a href="https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen-2022/">https://maitripa.org/events/chokhor-duchen-2022/</a>   |

## AUGUST 2023

| Day of Week       | Date    | Event  | Source                                      | Website   |
|-------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Tuesday           | 01      | <b>Lughnassadh/Lammas<sup>*</sup></b>  | Wicca/Pagan                                 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnasadh">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lughnasadh</a>   |
| Wednesday         | 02      | <b>The 15<sup>th</sup> of Av</b>   | Judaism                                     | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Sunday            | 06      | <b>Transfiguration of Christ</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox-calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our-lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html">https://www.crestinortodox.ro/orthodox-calendar/2024-august-transfiguration-of-our-lord-and-savior-jesus-christ.html</a> |
| Monday            | 07      | <b>Lord Simcoe Day - Founder's Day</b>   | Toronto Municipal Government                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Civic_Holiday</a>   |
| Monday            | 07      | <b>Terry Fox Day</b>   | Terry Fox Foundation                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox</a>   |
| Wednesday         | 09      | <b>International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples</b>   | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenou-s-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/indigenou-s-day</a>   |
| Saturday          | 12      | <b>International Youth Day</b>   | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth-day/background">https://www.un.org/en/observances/youth-day/background</a>   |
| Sunday to Tuesday | 13 - 15 | <b>Obon Festival - Ulambana</b>  | Buddhism (Shintoism)                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bon_Festival</a>   |
| Tuesday           | 15      | <b>Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)             | <a href="https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/102302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v">https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/1000/08/15/102302-the-dormition-of-our-most-holy-lady-the-mother-of-god-and-ever-v</a>   |
| Thursday          | 17      | <b>Marcus Garvey's Birthday</b>  | Rastafarian Holy Day                        | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/marcus-garvey">https://www.history.com/topics/black-history/marcus-garvey</a>   |
| Monday            | 21      | <b>Birth of Lord Zoroaster - Khordad Sal</b>   | Zoroastrian                                 | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Khordad_Sal</a>   |
| Tuesday           | 22      | <b>International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief</b> | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/acts-of-violence">https://www.un.org/en/observances/acts-of-violence</a>   |
| Wednesday         | 23      | <b>International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition</b>                  | United Nations                              | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_for_the_Remembrance_of_the_Slave_Trade_and_its_Abolition">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/International_Day_for_the_Remembrance_of_the_Slave_Trade_and_its_Abolition</a>                         |

<sup>15</sup> **Tishah B'av** – work should be suspended during this observance

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|-----------|----|-----------------------|------------------|---|
| Wednesday | 30 | <b>Raksha Bandhan</b> | Hinduism/Jainism | <a href="https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha-bandhan">https://family.lovetoknow.com/what-is-raksha-bandhan</a> |
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## SEPTEMBER 2023

| Day of Week            | Date    | Event  | Source  | Website   |
|------------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Friday                 | 01      | <b>Installation of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji</b> | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri-guru-granth-sahib/">https://www.sikhdharma.org/sikh-history/siri-guru-granth-sahib/</a>   |
| Monday                 | 04      | <b>Labour Day</b>  | Government of Canada  | <a href="http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/origins-of-labour-day-feature/">http://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/origins-of-labour-day-feature/</a>   |
| Wednesday and Thursday | 06 - 07 | <b>Krishna Janmashtami</b>   | Hinduism  | <a href="https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashtami-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/">https://wisdom.srisriravishankar.org/janmashtami-spiritual-significance-lord-krishnas-birth/</a>   |
| Saturday and Sunday    | 07 - 08 | <b>Shemini Atzeret*</b>  | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/what-is-shemini-atzeret/">https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/what-is-shemini-atzeret/</a>   |
| Friday                 | 08      | <b>International Day of Literacy</b>                               | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International-Literacy-Day">https://www.wincalendar.com/ca/International-Literacy-Day</a>   |
| Friday                 | 08      | <b>Nativity of Mary</b>  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)                                     | <a href="https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary">https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/nativity-of-the-blessed-virgin-mary</a>   |
| Saturday               | 09      | <b>Anant Chaturdashi</b>   | Jainism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdashi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anant_Chaturdashi</a>   |
| Saturday               | 09      | <b>International Day to Protect Education from Attack</b>          | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect-education-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/protect-education-day</a>   |
| Monday                 | 11      | <b>Martyrdom of St. John the Baptist</b>                           | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western)                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_John_the_Baptist">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beheading_of_John_the_Baptist</a>   |
| Monday                 | 11      | <b>Paryushana Parvarambha</b>                                      | Jainism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:text=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%20is,or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20day).">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Paryushana#:~:text=The%20duration%20of%20Paryushana%20is,or%20Kshamavani%20(forgiveness%20day).</a>   |
| Tuesday                | 12      | <b>Coptic New Year</b>   | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text=Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20%D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2, and%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nayrouz#:~:text=Nayrouz%20or%20Neyrouz%20(Arabic%20%D9%86%D8%A7%D8%B1%D988%D8%B2, and%20its%20first%20month%2C%20Thout.</a> |
| Tuesday                | 12      | <b>Ethiopian New Year</b>  | Government of Ethiopia and Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) Rastafarian Holy Day | <a href="https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new-years-day/">https://publicholidays.africa/ethiopia/new-years-day/</a>   |
| Friday                 | 15      | <b>International Day of Democracy</b>                              | United Nations  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/democracy-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/democracy-day</a>   |
| Saturday and Sunday    | 16 - 17 | <b>Rosh Hashanah*<sup>16</sup></b>                                 | Judaism   | <a href="http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm">http://www.jewfaq.org/holiday2.htm</a>   |

<sup>16</sup> **Rosh Hashanah** – work should be suspended during this observance

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|---------------------|-------------|---|---|---|
| Sunday              | 17          | <b>Terry Fox Run - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Labour Day</b>       | Terry Fox Foundation                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Terry_Fox_Run</a>   |
| Monday to Sunday    | 18 - 24     | <b>International Week of the Deaf - Last Full Week of September</b> | Canadian Association and World Federation of the Deaf | <a href="https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&amp;holiday=969&amp;year=2023">https://webplus.info/index.php?page=340&amp;holiday=969&amp;year=2023</a>                             |
| Tuesday             | 19          | <b>Ganesh Chaturthi</b>   | Hinduism  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh_Chaturthi">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ganesh_Chaturthi</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 19          | <b>Powley Day</b>   | First Nations, Métis                                  | <a href="https://www.metisnation.org/news/september-19-powley-day/">https://www.metisnation.org/news/september-19-powley-day/</a>   |
| Thursday            | 21          | <b>International Day of Peace</b>                                   | United Nations  | <a href="http://www.un.org/events/peaceday/">www.un.org/events/peaceday/</a>  |
| Thursday to Friday  | 21 - 29     | <b>Mabon</b>  | Wicca/Pagan   | <a href="https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mabon/">https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/mabon/</a>   |
| Friday and Saturday | 22 - 23     | <b>Ohigan - Autumn Festival</b>                                     | Government of Japan and Buddhism (Shintoism)          | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chunfen</a>   |
| Saturday            | 23          | <b>International Day of Sign Languages</b>                          | World Federation of the Deaf                          | <a href="https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of-the-deaf/">https://www.aoda.ca/international-week-of-the-deaf/</a>   |
| Monday              | 25          | <b>Franco-Ontarian Day</b>  | Government of Ontario                                 | <a href="https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franco-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white">https://www.uottawa.ca/gazette/en/news/franco-ontarian-perspectives-green-and-white</a> |
| Monday              | 25          | <b>Yom Kippur<sup>*17</sup></b>                                     | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>           |
| Wednesday           | 27          | <b>Elevation of the Holy Cross</b>                                  | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox)                       | <a href="https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy_Cross">https://orthodoxwiki.org/Elevation_of_the_Holy_Cross</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 27          | <b>Mawlid-al-Nabi - Prophet's Birthday<sup>*</sup></b>              | Islam   | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid">https://www.britannica.com/topic/mawlid</a>   |
| Friday              | 29          | <b>Kathina Festival/Paváraná Day</b>                                | Buddhism (Theravada)                                  | <a href="https://feast-guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html">https://feast-guide.com/en/celebrations/521.html</a>   |
| Saturday            | 30          | <b>National Day of Truth and Reconciliation</b>                     | First Nation, Métis, Inuit                            | <a href="https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national-truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540">https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/first-national-truth-reconciliation-day-1.6188540</a>       |
| Saturday            | 30          | <b>Orange Shirt Day</b>   | First Nations, Métis, Inuit                           | <a href="https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html">https://www.orangeshirtday.org/about-us.html</a>   |
| Saturday to Friday  | 30 to Oct 6 | <b>Sukkot<sup>*</sup></b>   | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukkot-101/">https://www.myjewishlearning.com/article/sukkot-101/</a>   |

## OCTOBER 2023

| Day of Week | Date | Event                                      | Source         | Website   |
|-------------|------|--|----------------|---|
| Sunday      | 01   | <b>International Day for Older Persons</b> | United Nations | <a href="#">International Day of Older Persons</a>  |
| Sunday      | 01   | <b>Mehregan</b>                            | Zoroastrian    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mehregan</a>                         |
| Monday      | 02   | <b>International Day of Non-Violence</b>   | United Nations | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/non-violence-day</a> |

<sup>17</sup> Yom Kippur – work should be suspended during this observance

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|---------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Wednesday           | 04      | <b>Sisters in Spirit</b>   | Status of Women Canada                          | <a href="https://nwac.ca/about-us">https://nwac.ca/about-us</a>   |
| Wednesday           | 04      | <b>Walk to School Day</b><br><b>1st Wednesday in October</b>                 | Adopted by Toronto District School Board (TDSB) | <a href="https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn-more/why-walkbike/">https://www.walkbiketoschool.org/learn-more/why-walkbike/</a>   |
| Thursday            | 05      | <b>World Teachers' Day</b>   | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers_%27_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Teachers_%27_Day</a>   |
| Saturday & Sunday   | 07-08   | <b>Shemini Atzeret / Simchat Torah</b>                                       | Judaism   | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a>   |
| Monday              | 09      | <b>Thanksgiving Day - Canada</b>   | Government of Canada                            | <a href="https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts-culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in-canada">https://www.canadashistory.ca/explore/arts-culture-society/the-history-of-thanksgiving-in-canada</a>       |
| Monday to Friday    | 09 - 13 | <b>Body Confidence Awareness Week</b><br><b>2nd Week of October</b>          | Toronto District School Board (TDSB)            | <a href="https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body-confidence-awareness-week-1">https://www.bodyconfidencecanada.com/body-confidence-awareness-week-1</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 10      | <b>World Mental Health Day</b>   | World Health Organization                       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_Health_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Mental_Health_Day</a>   |
| Thursday            | 12      | <b>Bandi Chhor Divas</b>   | Sikhism   | <a href="https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of-bandi-chhor-divas/">https://www.sikhdharma.org/the-story-of-bandi-chhor-divas/</a>   |
| Sunday to Wednesday | 15 - 24 | <b>Navratri</b>  | Hinduism  | <a href="https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri">https://www.britannica.com/topic/Navratri</a>   |
| Monday              | 16      | <b>Birth of the Bá'b</b>   | Bahá'i Faith                                    | <a href="https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/birthbab.shtml">https://www.bbc.co.uk/religion/religions/bahai/holydays/birthbab.shtml</a>   |
| Monday              | 16      | <b>World Food Day</b>  | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/">https://www.worldfooddaycanada.ca/about/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday    | 17 - 21 | <b>Anti-Bullying Awareness and Prevention Week</b>                           | Ontario Government                              | <a href="https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying-awareness-week/">https://thecanadianhomeschooler.com/bullying-awareness-week/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday    | 16 - 20 | <b>Week Without Violence</b><br><b>3rd Week of October</b>                   | YWCA  | <a href="https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/">https://ywcaweekwithoutviolence.org/</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 17      | <b>Birth of Bahá'u'lláh</b>  | Bahá'i Faith                                    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3%A1%CA%BCu%27I%C3%A1h">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Birth_of_Bah%C3%A1%CA%BCu%27I%C3%A1h</a>   |
| Tuesday             | 17      | <b>International Day for the Eradication of Poverty</b>                      | United Nations                                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/eradication-poverty">https://www.un.org/en/observances/eradication-poverty</a>   |
| Friday              | 20      | <b>Gurgadi of the Holy Scriptures of Guru Granth Sahib Ji as <u>Guru</u></b> | Sikhism   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Granth_Sahib">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Guru_Granth_Sahib</a>   |
| Friday to Tuesday   | 20 - 24 | <b>Durga Puja</b>  | Hinduism  | <a href="https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/travel/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring-goddess.shtml">https://www.transitionsabroad.com/listings/travel/articles/india-durga-purga-honoring-goddess.shtml</a> |

## NOVEMBER 2023

| Day of Week | Date | Event                 | Source                                      | Website   |
|-------------|------|-----------------------|---|---|
| Wednesday   | 01   | <b>All Saints Day</b> | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/All_Saints%27_Day</a> |

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|------------------|---------|--|---|---|
| Wednesday        | 01      | <b>Karva Chauth *</b>  | Hinduism                                    | <a href="https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva-chauth">https://indianculture.gov.in/stories/karva-chauth</a>   |
| Wednesday        | 01      | <b>Samhain *</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                                 | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/samhain</a>   |
| Thursday         | 02      | <b>Crowning of Emperor Haile Selassie I</b>                            | Rastafarian Holy Day                        | <a href="https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coronation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia-1930/">https://royalwatcherblog.com/2020/11/02/coronation-of-emperor-haile-selassie-of-ethiopia-1930/</a> |
| Saturday         | 04      | <b>Descending Day of Lord Buddha</b>                                   | Buddhism (Tibetan)                          | <a href="https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending-day-of-lord-buddha/">https://publicholidays.asia/bhutan/descending-day-of-lord-buddha/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday | 06 - 10 | <b>GLSEN Ally Week</b>   | Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network    | <a href="https://www.glsen.org/">https://www.glsen.org/</a>   |
| Monday to Friday | 06 – 10 | <b>Treaties Recognition Week - First Full Week of November</b>         | Ontario Government                          | <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties-recognition-week">https://www.ontario.ca/page/treaties-recognition-week</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 07      | <b>Inuit Day</b>   | Inuit Circumpolar Council Canada            | <a href="https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/">https://www.inuitcircumpolar.com/about-icc/</a>   |
| Wednesday        | 08      | <b>National Indigenous Veterans' Day</b>                               | Indigenous Peoples (Veteran Affairs Canada) | <a href="https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/1605287188462">https://www.rcaanc-cirnac.gc.ca/eng/1605286948270/1605287188462</a>   |
| Saturday         | 11      | <b>Remembrance: Veterans' Day</b>                                      | Government of Canada                        | <a href="http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/history/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance-day/">http://www.warmuseum.ca/firstworldwar/history/after-the-war/remembrance/remembrance-day/</a>             |
| Sunday           | 12      | <b>Diwali</b>  | Hinduism/Jainism/Sikhism                    | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Diwali</a>   |
| Tuesday          | 14      | <b>World Diabetes Day</b>  | World Health Organization                   | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/World_Diabetes_Day</a>   |
| Thursday         | 16      | <b>Louis Riel Day - Riel's Execution</b>                               | Métis Nation                                | <a href="https://www.metisnation.org/culture-heritage/louis-riel-day-info/">https://www.metisnation.org/culture-heritage/louis-riel-day-info/</a>   |
| Saturday         | 18      | <b>Gyan Panchami</b>   | Jainism                                     | <a href="http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian-festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/">http://blessingsonthenet.com/indian-festival/festival/id/111/gyan-panchami-festival/</a>                     |
| Monday           | 20      | <b>International Transgender Day of Remembrance</b>                    | Gwendolyn A. Smith, US Trans Advocate       | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith_.jpg">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith#/media/File:Gwendolyn_Ann_Smith_.jpg</a>                 |
| Monday           | 20      | <b>World Children's Day</b>  | United Nations                              | <a href="#">World Children's Day</a>  |
| Tuesday          | 21      | <b>Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>                         | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox and Western) | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_Mary">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Presentation_of_Mary</a>   |
| Friday           | 24      | <b>Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur</b>                                  | Sikhism                                     | <a href="https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur">https://www.sikhiwiki.org/index.php/Martyrdom_of_Guru_Tegh_Bahadur</a>   |
| Saturday         | 25      | <b>International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women</b> | United Nations                              | <a href="https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women">https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women</a>   |

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| Saturday | 25 | <b>National Holodomor Memorial Day - 4th Saturday In November<sup>18</sup></b> | Ukrainian Canadian Congress | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Memorial_Day#:~:text=Day%20of%20memory%20for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20of%20November">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Holodomor_Memorial_Day#:~:text=Day%20of%20memory%20for%20victims,the%20fourth%20Saturday%20of%20November</a> |
| Sunday   | 26 | <b>Day of the Covenant</b>   | Bahá'í Faith                | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Covenant_(Bah%C3%A1%27%C3%AD)">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Day_of_the_Covenant_(Bah%C3%A1%27%C3%AD)</a>   |
| Monday   | 27 | <b>Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib</b>  | Sikhism                     | <a href="https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru-nanak-birthday">https://www.officeholidays.com/holidays/guru-nanak-birthday</a>   |
| Tuesday  | 28 | <b>Ascension of 'Abdu'l-Bahá<sup>*</sup></b>                                   | Bahá'í Faith                | <a href="https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/">https://www.bahai.ca/holy-days/</a>   |

## DECEMBER 2023

| Day of Week        | Date                  | Event   | Source                          | Website   |
|--------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Friday             | 01                    | <b>World AIDS Day</b>   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-aids-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/world-aids-day</a>   |
| Saturday           | 02                    | <b>International Day for the Abolition of Slavery</b>                   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery-abolition-day/messages">https://www.un.org/en/observances/slavery-abolition-day/messages</a>                             |
| Sunday             | 03                    | <b>International Day of Persons with Disabilities</b>                   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities">https://www.un.org/en/observances/day-of-persons-with-disabilities</a>                         |
| Sunday to Sunday   | 03 - 24               | <b>Advent</b>   | Christianity (Western)          | <a href="https://www.christianity.com/christian-life/christmas/what-is-advent.html">https://www.christianity.com/christian-life/christmas/what-is-advent.html</a>           |
| Wednesday          | 06                    | <b>National Day of Remembrance and Action on Violence Against Women</b> | Government of Canada            | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%89cole_Polytechnique_massacre">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C3%89cole_Polytechnique_massacre</a>                               |
| Friday             | 08                    | <b>Bodhi Day - Buddha's Enlightenment</b>                               | Buddhism                        | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bodhi_Day</a>   |
| Friday             | 08                    | <b>St. Clements of Ohrid Patrons' Day</b>                               | Christianity (Eastern Orthodox) | <a href="https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730">https://anydayguide.com/calendar/2730</a>   |
| Thursday to Friday | 07 - 15               | <b>Chanukah (Hanukkah)<sup>*19</sup></b>                                | Judaism                         | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a> |
| Sunday             | 10                    | <b>Human Rights Day</b>   | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/human-rights-day</a>   |
| Wednesday          | 13                    | <b>Birthday of Imām Aga Khan<sup>*</sup></b>                            | Islam                           | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Aga_Khan</a>   |
| Monday             | 18                    | <b>International Migrants Day</b>                                       | United Nations                  | <a href="https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants-day">https://www.un.org/en/observances/migrants-day</a>   |
| Thursday to Monday | 21 to 01 January 2024 | <b>Yule</b>   | Wicca/Pagan                     | <a href="https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/yule/">https://www.goddessandgreenman.co.uk/yule/</a>   |
| Friday             | 22                    | <b>Fast of Tevet<sup>20</sup></b>                                       | Judaism                         | <a href="https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm">https://www.chabad.org/holidays/default_cdo/year/2023/jewish/holidays-2023.htm</a> |

<sup>18</sup> **National Holodomor Memorial Day** Toronto District School Board commemorates this event on the Friday before the fourth Saturday of November

<sup>19</sup> **Chanukah (Hannakuh)** - Work is permitted during this observance

<sup>20</sup> **Fast of Tevet:** Work is permitted during this observance

Asterisk (\*) indicates Religious Holy Day or other event begins on the **evening before** the beginning date indicated



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| Monday                 | 25                    | <b>Christmas Day - Gregorian Calendar</b>           | Government of Canada and Christianity (Western) | <a href="https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas">https://www.timeanddate.com/holidays/canada/christmas</a>                               |
| Tuesday                | 26                    | <b>Boxing Day</b>                                   | Government of Canada                            | <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/canadian-heritage/campaigns/canada-day.html</a> |
| Tuesday                | 26                    | <b>Death of Lord Zoroaster - Zarathosht No Diso</b> | Zoroastrian                                     | <a href="https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso">https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Zartosht_No-Diso</a>   |
| Tuesday to Monday      | 26 to 01 January 2024 | <b>Kwanzaa</b>                                      | African Canadian/American Celebration           | <a href="https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history">https://www.history.com/topics/holidays/kwanzaa-history</a>                           |
| <b>To Be Announced</b> |                       | <b>Remembrance: Veterans' Day LIEU DAY</b>          | Government of Canada                            | <b>SEE 11 NOVEMBER 2023</b>   |

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