

2023–2024 RELIGIOUS OBSERVANCE CALENDAR

The University of New Haven campus seeks to welcome and be respectful to all members regardless of their practicing faith or beliefs. This calendar is provided to bring awareness to the different religious/nonreligious observances celebrated by the university community. For more information regarding religious/spiritual observances for students, please visit the student handbook at newhaven.edu/studenthandbook

June 2023:

- Litha [Wiccan/Pagan]: June 21
- Waqf al Arafa [Islam]: June 27
- Eid al-Adha [Islam]: June 28–29

July 2023:

- New Year/Hijri [Islam]: July 18–19
- Tish'a B'av [Jewish]: July 26–27
- Ashura [Islam]: July 27–28

August 2023:

- Lammas [Christian]: August 1
- Lughnasadh [Pagan/Wiccan]: August 1
- Fast in Honor of Holy Mother of Jesus [Orthodox Christian]: August 1
- Transfiguration of the Lord [Orthodox Christian]: August 6
- Feast of the Assumption [Roman Catholic]: August 15
- Dormition of Theotokos [Orthodox Christian]: August 15
- Beheading of St. John the Baptist [Christian]: August 29
- Krishna Janmashtami [Hindu]: August 18–19

September 2023:

- Ecclesiastical Year Begins [Orthodox Christian]: September 1
- Installation of Scriptures as Guru Granth [Hindu]: September 1
- Krishna Janmashtami [Hindu]: September 6–7
- Nativity of the Virgin Mary & Fast of the Nativity [Christian]: September 8

- Paryushana Parva [Jain]: September 11
- Rosh Hashanah [Jewish]: September 15 – 17
- Mabon [Pagan/Wiccan]: September 21–29
- Yom Kippur [Jewish]: September 24–25
- Mawlid an Nabi [Islam]: September 26–27
- Elevation of the Cross [Christian]: September 27
- Meskel [Ethiopian Christian]: September 28
- Sukkot [Jewish]: September 29 – October 6

October 2023:

- Feast of St. Francis of Assisi [Roman Catholic]: October 4
- Shemini Atzeret [Jewish]: October 6–8
- Simchat Torah [Jewish]: October 7–8
- Birth of Bab [Baha'i]: October 16
- Birth of Baha'u'llah [Baha'i]: October 16–17
- Dasara [Hindu]: October 24
- Samhain [Pagan/Wiccan]: October 31 – November 1

November 2023:

- All Saints' Day [Christian]: November 1
- All Souls' Day [Christian]: November 2
- Diwali [Sikh/Hindu/Jain]: November 12
- Jain New Year [Jain]: November 14
- Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur [Sikh]: November 24
- Day of the Covenant [Christian]: November 26
- Ascension of 'Abudu'l-Baha [Baha'i]: November 27–28

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December 2023:

- **Advent [Christian]:** December 3–24
- **Hanukkah [Jewish]:** December 7–15
- **Bodhi Day [Buddhist]:** December 8
- **Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe [Christian]:** December 12
- **Posadas Navidenas [Hispanic Christian]:** December 16–24
- **Yule [Pagan/Wiccan]:** December 21
- **Christmas [Christian]:** December 25
- **Zartosht No-Diso [Zoroastrian]:** December 26
- **Kwanzaa:** December 26 – January 1

January 2024:

- **Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God [Roman Catholic]:** January 1
- **Gantan-sai [Shinto]:** January 1
- **Feast of St. Basil [Orthodox Christian]:** January 2
- **Feast of the Holy Name of Jesus [Orthodox Christian]:** January 3
- **Epiphany [Christian]:** January 6
- **Christmas [Orthodox Christian]:** January 7
- **Dia de los Reyes/Three Kings Day [Christian]:** January 6
- **Timkat [Ethiopian Orthodox Christian]:** January 20
- **Tu Bi'Shevat [Jewish]:** January 24–25
- **Mahayana New Year [Buddhist]:** January 25

February 2024:

- **Imbolc [Wiccan/Pagan]:** February 1
- **Setsubun [Shinto]:** February 3
- **New Year [Confucian/Daoist/Buddhist]:** February 10
- **Vasant Panchami [Hindu]:** February 14
- **Lent [Christian]:** February 14 – March 28
- **Maghi [Sikh]:** February 24
- **Macha Bucha Day [Buddhist]:** February 24

March 2024:

- **Maha Shivaratri [Hindu]:** March 8
- **Ramadan Begins [Muslim]:** March 10 – April 9
- **St. Patrick's Day [Christian]:** March 17
- **Ostara [Pagan/Wiccan]:** March 19
- **Holi [Hindu]:** March 24–25
- **Palm Sunday [Christian]:** March 24
- **Lent Ends [Christian]:** February 14 – March 28
- **Holy Thursday [Christian]:** March 28
- **Good Friday [Christian]:** March 29
- **Easter [Christian]:** March 31

April 2024:

- **Ramadan Ends [Muslim]:** April 9
- **Eid al-Fitr [Muslim]:** April 8
- **Vaisakhi [Sikh]:** April 13
- **Passover [Jewish]:** April 22–30
- **Theravadin New Year [Buddhist]:** April 24

May 2024:

- **Beltane [Pagan/Wiccan]:** May 1
- **Yom Hashoah [Holocaust Remembrance]:** May 5–6
- **Visakha Bucha Day [Buddhist]:** May 23
- **Wesak Day [Buddhist]:** May 23

June 2024:

- **Shavout [Jewish]:** June 11–13
- **Eid al-Adha [Muslim]:** June 17
- **Litha [Pagan/Wiccan]:** June 20



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