

## 2017 RELIGIOUS HOLY DAYS / HOLIDAYS CALENDAR

This listing, though selective and incomplete, highlights religious feasts, festivals and other observances. It is offered with the hope that awareness will be fostered special days celebrated by other Christian Traditions and some celebrations of other Faiths present in our community.

KEY: (PC) Protestant Christians, (RC) Roman Catholic Christians, (OC) Orthodox Christians, (C) Christians [All], (E) Ecumenical. Other religions in our area - (I) Islam, (J) Jewish (B) Buddhist) (IF) Interfaith (N) National

JANUARY	FEBRUARY	MARCH
1 - New Year's Day --	2 - Meeting of Christ in the Temple OC	1 - Ash Wednesday PC & RC
6 - Epiphany/Theophony C	5 - Souper Bowl Sunday E	4 - World Day of Prayer (CWU) E
8 - Baptism of Jesus C	5 - Four Chaplains Sunday C+J	12- Purim J
16 - Martin Luther King Holiday IF	26 - Transfiguration C	12- Magha Puja Day B
16- Day of Service (Lycoming College)	28 - Shrove Tuesday PC & RC	12-18 Brotherhood/Sisterhood Wk IF
16-21- MLKing Dream Week All		25- Annunciation of Virgin Mary RC
18-25 - Week of Prayer for Christian Unity E		27 - Great Lent (Triodion) Begins OC
APRIL	MAY	JUNE
1 - Lazarus Saturday OC	1 - Pascha (Easter) OC	4 - Pentecost C
9 - Palm Sunday C	4 - National Day of Prayer N	11 - United Churches Sunday E
11-18 - Passover (Pesach) J	5 - May Friendship Day (CWU) E	26-28 - Eid al Fitr - Ramadan Ends I
13 - Maundy Thursday C	10 - Visakha Puja Day B	
14 - Good (Holy) Friday C	25 - Ascension of Jesus C	
16 - Easter (Pascha) C	27 - Ramadan Begins I	
23 - Yom Ha Shoah J	31-6/1 Shavuot J	
24 - Lailat al Miraj I		
JULY	AUGUST	SEPTEMBER
4 - Independence Day USA	1 - Tisha B'Av J	1-4 - Hajj Ends - Eid al Adha I
11 - All Saints Day OC	6 - Transfiguration OC	8 - Birth of the Virgin Mary C
	15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary RC+OC	11 - Memorial Bike Ride All
		14 - Holy Cross Day RC+OC
		21-22 - Islamic New Year I
		21-22 - Rosh Hashanah J
		30 - Yom Kippur J
OCTOBER	NOVEMBER	DECEMBER
1 - World Communion Sunday E	1 - All Saints Day PC+RC	1 - World AIDS Day I
4 - Saint Francis Day RC/PC	3 - World Community Day Pgm E	3 - Advent Begins C
5-11 Sukkot J	15 - Advent Begins (Winter Lent) OC	6 - St. Nicholas Day C
8 - CROP Walk All	20 - Christ the King PC+RC	8 - Immaculate Conception of Blessed Virgin Mary RC
	21 - Entry of the Theotokos OC	13-20 - Chanukkah J
	24 - Thanksgiving All - USA	24 - Last Sunday of Advent C
		25 - Christmas C
		31 - Watch Night C

**NOTE:** Celebrations of the Jewish & Islamic holy days begin at sundown the preceding day, and end at sundown on the holy day.