



Diversity Calendar 2020

Faith and Belief in Practice

The initiative includes several activities:

- The publication of an annual calendar of significant faith, belief and diversity dates.
- The production of guidance and information on faith and belief communities and relevant issues
- Highlighting University facilities that are available for reflection or prayer
- Events of interest

Further information can be obtained from the E&D Section, www.equality.admin.cam.ac.uk



Buddhism



Islam



Christianity
(Orthodox/
Eastern)



Judaism



Christianity
(Western)



Sikhism



Hinduism



Diversity



Solar



Lunar

The faiths represented in this calendar, along with the significant faith dates, are those of the six main religions as recognised in the UK Census 2011. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained in this publication. Inclusion of a particular religion or belief does not constitute endorsement of the particular religion or belief by the University. Local observance may vary.





What are faiths and beliefs?

These cover legally protected characteristics, for example:

- Religion eg. Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Islam, Sikhism, Buddhism
- Denomination of a religion eg. Anglicanism, Catholicism, Sunni, Lamaism
- Philosophical belief eg. Humanism, Atheism

January

February


Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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Faith dates	Diversity dates
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06 January  **Epiphany**


07 January  **Christmas Day**

14 January   **Makar Sankranti**

27 January  **Holocaust Memorial Day**

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02 February  **Candlemas**

21 February   **Maha Shivaratri**

26 February   **Ash Wednesday**

26 February  **Lent begins**

February **LGBT+ History Month**

March

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02 March
Great Lent begins

09 March
Purim begins

10 March
Holi

10 March
Hola Mohalla

08 March
International Women's Day

April

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Faith dates	
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05 April
Palm Sunday

08 April
Pesach begins

10 April
Good Friday

12 April
Palm Sunday

12 April
Easter Sunday

13 April
Vaisakhi

17 April
Good Friday

19 April
Easter Sunday

24 April
Ramadan begins



May

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07 May
Buddha Day / Vesakh  

11 May
Lag BaOmer begins  

23 May
Eid al-Fitr  

28 May
Shavuot begins  

15 May
International Day of Families

June

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15 June
Apostles' Fast begins  

June
Gypsy, Roma & Traveller Month

20 June
World Refugee Day

July

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31 July
Eid al-Adha



August

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15 August
Dormition



15 August
Assumption



20 August
Al-Hijra (Islamic New Year)





September

October

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18 September
Rosh Hashanah begins 

27 September
Yom Kippur begins 


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02 October
Sukkot begins 

10 October
Simchat Torah begins 

17 October
Navarathri 

25 October
Dussehra 

October
Black History Month

10 October
World Mental Health Day

November

December

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Faith dates

01 November
All Saints day ✝ 🌙

14 November
Diwali 🌀 🌙

14 November
Bandi Chhor Divas 🌀 🌙

29 December
Advent ✝ 🌙

30 November
Guru Nanak Birthday 🌀 🌙

Diversity dates

November
Interfaith Week

08 November
Remembrance Sunday

25 November
International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women

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Faith dates

10 December
Chanukkah begins ✝ 🌙

25 December
Christmas day ✝ 🌙

28 December
Nativity Fast begins ✝ ☀

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03 December
International Day of Persons with Disabilities

10 December
Human Rights Day





Chaplaincy in Cambridge

Leadership within the University's many faith communities often takes the form of Chaplaincy. Chaplains are appointed internally by Colleges and University Societies, and externally by denominations and mission agencies.

www.equality.admin.cam.ac.uk/projects/faith-and-belief-practice
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