

## 2020-2021 Calendar of Religious Observances

This calendar is annually reviewed and approved by Parkway's Religious Leaders organization, a diverse group of invited leaders of Parkway's religious community who serve in an advisory capacity to the superintendent. It is intended to increase awareness about many of the religious obligations and celebrations that may affect students, colleagues and neighbors.

**LEGEND:** \* Religious observance begins at sunset on the first date and ends at sunset on the last date.  
# Regional customs, group preferences or moon sightings may cause a variation of this date.

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Observance</b>
May 23, 2020	Eid al-Fitr # - Last day of Ramadan - <b>Islam</b>
July 30*- 31, 2020	Eid al-Adha # - <b>Islam</b> (typically impacts attendance at school – <b>July 31</b> )
Sept. 18*- 20, 2020	Rosh Hashanah - <b>Jewish</b> (typically impacts attendance at school – <b>Sept. 19</b> )
Sept. 27*- 28, 2020	Yom Kippur - <b>Jewish</b> (typically impacts attendance at school – <b>Sept. 28</b> )
Oct. 2*- 9, 2020	Sukkot – <b>Jewish</b> (Oct. 3-4 are primary obligation days)
Oct. 9*- 11, 2020	Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah - <b>Jewish</b>
Oct. 18*-19, 2020	Birth of Baha'u'llah - <b>Baha'i</b>
Nov. 1, 2020	All Saints' Day - <b>Christian</b>
Nov. 14, 2020	Diwali (Deepavali) # - <b>Hindu, Jain, Sikh</b>
Dec. 8, 2020	Feast of the Immaculate Conception - <b>Christian</b>
Dec. 10*-Dec. 18	Hanukkah - <b>Jewish</b>
Dec. 24-25, 2020	Christmas Eve, Christmas Day - <b>Christian</b>
Jan. 1, 2021	Mary Mother of God - <b>Christian</b>
Feb. 12, 2021	Lunar (Chinese) New Year - <b>Confucian/Daoist/Buddhist</b>
Feb. 17, 2021	Ash Wednesday - Lent begins – <b>Christian</b>
Feb. 25*-26, 2021	Purim - <b>Jewish</b> (may involve daytime fasting)
March 20, 2021	Feast of Naw Ruz (Iranian New Year and <b>Baha'i</b> New Year)
March 27*-April 4	Pesach (Passover) - <b>Jewish</b> (may involve daytime fasting)
April 1, 2021	Holy (Maundy) Thursday - <b>Christian</b>
April 2, 2021	Good Friday - <b>Christian</b> (typically impacts attendance at school – <b>April 2</b> )
April 4, 2021	Easter - <b>Christian</b>
April 8, 2021	Buddha Day (Visakha Puja/Vesak) # - <b>Buddhist</b>
April 12*- May 11	Ramadan # - <b>Islam</b> (may involve daytime fasting)
May 2, 2021	Pascha (Easter) - <b>Orthodox Christian</b>
May 12*-13, 2021	Eid al-Fitr # - Last day of Ramadan - <b>Islam</b>

<https://www.interfaith-calendar.org/index.htm>

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