

## 2025-2026 Calendar of Religious Observances updated April 16, 2025

This calendar is 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.

Dates	Observance
9/22*-9/24	Rosh Hashanah - Jewish (no events, testing or major projects due)
10/1*-10/2	Yom Kippur - Jewish (no events, testing or major projects due)
10/6*-10/7, 10/13*-10/15	Sukkot, Shemini Atzeret, Simchat Torah - Jewish
10/20	Diwali (Deepavali) # - Hindu, Jain, Sikh
	Birth of Baha'u'llah - Baha'i
11/1	All Saints' Day - Christian (Holy Day of Obligation)
12/8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Christian (Holy Day of Obligation)
12/14*-12/22	Hanukkah - Jewish
12/24-12/25	Christmas Eve, Christmas Day - Christian (Holy Day of Obligation)
1/1	Mary Mother of God - Christian (Holy Day of Obligation)
2/17	Lunar (Chinese) New Year - Confucian/Daoist/Buddhist
2/17-3/18	Ramadan # - Islam (may involve daytime fasting on the first day)
2/18	Ash Wednesday - Lent begins - Christian
3/2*-3/3	Purim - Jewish (may involve daytime fasting)
3/19-3/20	Eid al-Fitr # - Last day of Ramadan - Islam (no events, testing or major projects due)
3/21	Feast of Naw Ruz (Iranian New Year and Baha'i New Year)
4/1*- 4/9	Pesach (Passover) - Jewish (may involve daytime fasting)
4/2	Holy (Maundy) Thursday - Christian
4/3	Good Friday - Christian (no events)
5/24	Buddha Day (Visakha Puja/Vesak) # - Buddhist
4/5	Easter - Christian
4/12	Pascha (Easter) - Orthodox Christian
5/21*-5/23	Shavuot - Jewish
5/26-5/27	Eid al-Adha # - Islam (no events, testing or major projects due)
8/15	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Holy Day of Obligation)

*Schools/teachers should avoid scheduling events, testing or major projects on these highlighted observances as they historically impact attendance at school and events. Note: Testing or major projects should be avoided the day after these observances as well.*

*Absences for religious observances are excused.*