



Diversity Calendar 2021

January





1 st New Year's Day/Hogmanay
Bank Holiday – UK & ROI
Feast of St. Basil - Orthodox Christian
Gantan-sai (New Year) - Shinto
Mary, Mother of God – Catholic Christian

4th Bank Holiday - Scotland World Braille Day

5th Twelfth Night – Christian

6th Epiphany – Christian Feast of Theophany – Orthodox Christian

7th Feast of the Nativity (Christmas Day) - Orthodox Christian

10th Baptism of the Lord Jesus – Christian

11th Seijin no hi (Coming of Age Day) – Shinto

13th Maghi/Lohri – Sikhism, Hinduism

14th Orthodox New Year – Orthodox Christian Makar Sankranti – Hinduism

17th World Religion Day

18th Martin Luther King Day

19th Timkat – Ethiopian Orthodox Christian

20th Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh – Sikhism **Bodhi Day** – Buddhism

25th Robert Burns Night

27th Holocaust Memorial Day

28th Tu B'Shevat -Judaism Mahayana New Year – Buddhism

31st Birthday of Guru Har Rai – Sikhism

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JANUARY is National Braille Literacy Awareness Month | Cervical Health Awareness Month | Alcohol Concern Dry January | Thyroid Awareness Month | National Blood Donor Month



"We must be treated as equals — and communication is the way we can bring this about." – Louis Braille

February LGBT History Month



1 st World Hijab Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1st – 7th Race Equality Week							
2nd Candlemas – Christian Imbolc - Lughassad * - Wicca/Pagan Northern and Southern hemispheres Setsubun – Shinto	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
4 th World Cancer Day							
11 th Our Lady of Lourdes - Christian	0	0	4.0		4.2	4.2	
12 th Chinese New Year	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
14th Saint Valentine's Day – Christian Zacchaeus Sunday – Orthodox Christian Autism Sunday							
15 th Parinirvana – Buddhism, Jainism International Childhood Cancer Day	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
16 th Shrove Tuesday – Christian Vasant Panchami – Hinduism							
17 th – Ash Wednesday – Christian	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
20 th – World Day of Social Justice	22	23	21	23	20	27	20
25 th – Fast of Esther – Judaism Intercalary Days begin – Baha'i							
26th – Purim * – Judaism							

FEBRUARY is Lesbian Gay Bisexual Trans History Month | UK National Heart Month

International STAND UP to Bullying Day

27th **Magha Puja** – Buddhism

28th - Intercalary Days end – Baha'i



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March





1st Zero Discrimination Day
Saint David's Day – Christian
Nineteen Day Fast begins* – Baha'i
Self-Injury Awareness Day

7th Meatfare Sunday – Orthodox Christian

8th International Women's Day

11th Maha Shivaratri – Hinduism Lailat al Miraj – Islam

14th Daylight Saving Time Begins Mothering Sunday - Christian

15th Great Lent begins - Orthodox Christian

17th Saint Patrick's Day – Christian Bank Holiday – Northern Ireland & ROI

19th Saint Joseph's Day – Christian Nineteen Day Fast (ends) – Baha'i

20th Spring Equinox Naw-Rúz (New Year)* - Baha'i Nowruz (New Year) - Persian/Zoroastrian

21st World Down Syndrome Day International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination Sunday of Orthodoxy – Orthodox Christian

22nd World Water Day

24th World Tuberculosis Day

25th Fast of Firstborn – Judaism

27th Lazarus Saturday – Orthodox Christian

28th Holika Dahan – Hinduism Pesach (Passover)* begins - Judaism Palm Sunday – Christian

29th Daylight Saving Time starts
Holi * – Hinduism
Hola Mohalla – Sikhism
Lailat al Bara'ah* - Islam

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MARCH is International Women's History Month | Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month | Prostate Cancer Awareness Month | Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month



"We realize the importance of our voices only when we are silenced."—Malala Yousafzai



Stress Awareness Month



1st Maundy Thursday – Christian	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 nd World Autism Awareness Day Good Friday – Christian Bank Holiday – UK and ROI	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	,	,				
3rd Holy Saturday – Christian				1	2	3	4
4 th Easter Sunday – Christian Pesach (Passover) ends – Judaism							
5 th Easter Monday – Christian Bank Holiday – UK and ROI						1.0	4.4
7 th World Health Day	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
8 th International Romani Day							
9th Yom HaShoah * - Judaism							
13 th Ramadan begins* – Islam Songkran (Thai New Year) – Buddhism	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
14 th Vaisakhi (New Year) – Sikhism							
18 th Birthday of Guru Tegh Bahadur – Sikhism Birthday of Guru Angad Dev – Sikhism	10	20	24	22	22	24	25
20th First Day of Ridvan * - Baha'i	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
21st Rama Navami – Hinduism							
22 nd Earth Day							
23 rd Saint George's Day – Christian	26	27	28	29	30		
24th Lazarus Saturday – Orthodox Christian							
25 th Mahavir Jayanti – Jain Palm Sunday – Orthodox Christian							

APRIL is Autism Awareness Month | Stress Awareness Month | National Deaf History Month | Parkinson's Awareness Month

World Malaria Day

27th Theravada New Year – Buddhism

Hanuman Jayanti – Hinduism



"However difficult life may seem, there is always something you can do and succeed at." – Stephen Hawking







1st Beltane – Wicca/Pagan Twelfth Day of Ridvan * – Baha'i	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Great Lent ends – Orthodox Christian Holy Saturday – Orthodox Christian							
2 nd Birthday of Guru Arjan Dev – Sikhism Pascha (Easter) – Orthodox Christian						1	2
3 rd Early May Bank Holiday - UK and ROI							
7th Vesak – Buddha Day – Buddhism	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8 th World Red Cross and Red Crescent Day			3				
9th Laylat al-Qadr (Night of Power) – Islam							
10 th – 16 th Mental Health Awareness Week	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
13 th Ascension Day – Christian Eid al Fitr * – Islam	10			13			10
14 th Akshaya Tritiya – Hinduism, Jain							
15 th International Day of Families	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
17 th International Day against Homophobia,							
Biphobia and Transphobia (IDAHOBIT day) Shavuot (Pentecost) * – Judaism	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
21st World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development				_,			
22 nd International Day for Biological Diversity	24						
23 rd Declaration of the Bab * – Baha'i Pentecost – Christian	31						

MAY is Mental Health Awareness Month | Hepatitis Awareness Month |

Celiac Awareness Month

28th Ascension of Baha'u'llah * - Baha'i

25th Birthday of Guru Amar Das – Sikhism

30th **Trinity Sunday** – Christian

24th **Whit Monday** – Christian

31st Spring Bank Holiday – UK and ROI



"It always seems impossible until it's done." – Nelson Mandela







1st Global Day of Parents	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
3 rd Corpus Christi – Catholic Christian							
4 th International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression		1	2	3	4	5	6
5 th World Environment Day							
7 th Bank Holiday - ROI							
10 th Ascension Day – Orthodox Christian	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
11 th Feast of the Sacred Heart – Catholic Christian							
12th World Day Against Child Labour	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
13 th Race Unity Day							
14 th World Blood Donor Day							
15 th World Elder Abuse Awareness Day	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
16 th Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev — Sikhism							
20 th World Refugee Day Pentecost – Orthodox Christian Father's Day	28	29	30				
21st Summer Solstice – Northern Hemisphere Litha – Yule – Wicca/Pagan World Humanist Day							

JUNE is LGBTQ Pride Month | Men's Health Awareness Month Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month

27th Fast of 17 Tammuz * – Judaism

Christian

24th Nativity of Saint John the Baptist –

29th Feast of Saints Peter and Paul - Christian



"Diversity is about all of us, and about us having to figure out how to walk through this world together." - Jacqueline Woodson







3 rd Saint Thomas the Apostle – Christian	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
4 th US Independence Day							
5 th Birthday of Guru Hargobind – Sikhism				1	2	3	4
9th Martyrdom of the Bab* - Baha'i							
11 th Saint Benedict Day - Christian World Population Day	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 th Battle of the Boyne (Orangemen's Day) Bank Holiday – Northern Ireland							
15 th World Youth Skills Day	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
18 th Nelson Mandela International Day Tish'a B'Av (Fast of 9 Av) – Judaism							
19th Waqf al Arafa* – Islam							
20 th – 23 rd Eid al Adha* – Islam	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
22 nd Feast Day of Saint Mary - Christian							
23 rd Birthday of Guru Har Krishan - Sikhism Birthday of Emperor Haile Selassie – Rastafari	26	27	28	29	30	31	
24 th Pioneer Day - Mormon Christian Asalha Puja (Dharma Day) – Buddhism							

JULY is Make a Difference to Children Month | International Women with Alopecia Month |

International Group B Strep Awareness Month

25th Saint James the Great Day – Christian

28th World Hepatitis Day

30th International Friendship Day



"Where ignorance is our master, there is no possibility of real peace." – Dalai Lama



National Breastfeeding Month



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1st Lammas - Christian Lughnassadh - Imbolc - Wicca/Pagan							
2nd Summer Bank Holiday – Scotland & ROI							1
6 th Feast of the Transfiguration – Christian Transfiguration of the Lord – Orthodox Christian	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 th International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples							
10 th Al-Hijra/Muharram -New Year* – Islam Feast of Saint Lawrence – Christian	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
12 th International Youth Day							
15 th Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary – Catholic Christian Dormition of the Theotokos – Orthodox Christian	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Parshvanath Moksha - Jain							
19 th World Humanitarian Day Ashura* – Islam	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
22 nd Raksha Bandhan – Hinduism							
23 rd International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition	30	31					
24 th Feast of Saint Bartholomew the Apostle – Christian							
30 th Krishna Janmashtami – Hinduism Summer Bank Holiday – England, Wales and Northern Ireland		AUGUST is Na	tional Breastfeec Children's Eyo	ding Month Psc e Health & Safe		ss Month	



"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

- Martin Luther King

September Older Persons' Month

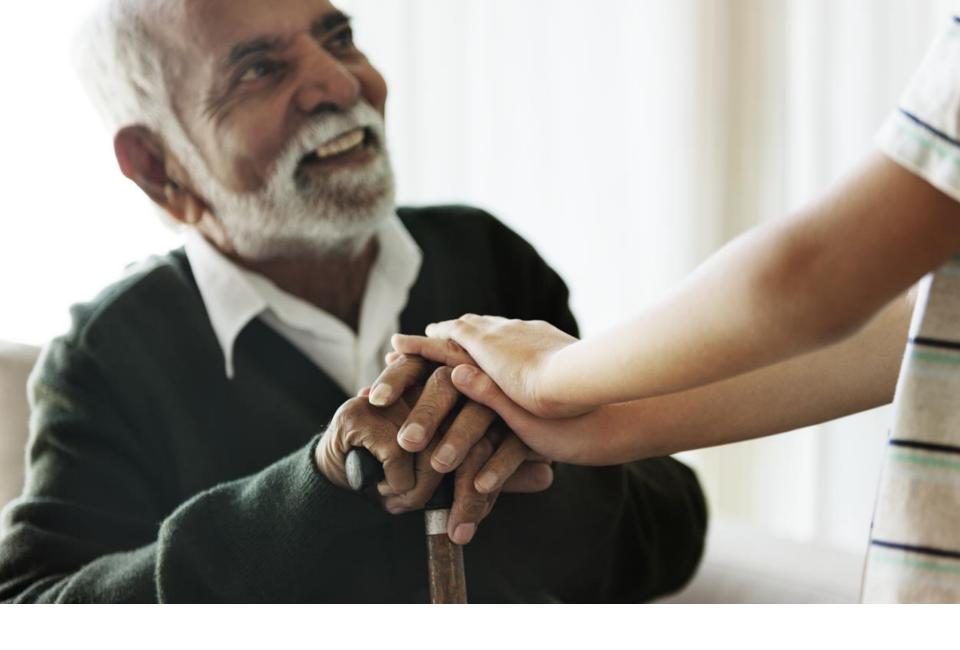


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4th Paryushan begins - Jain	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
5 th International Day of Charity							
7th - 8th Rosh Hashanah* – Judaism							
8 th Nativity of Virgin Mary – Christian International Literacy Day			1	2	3	4	5
9 th Fast of Gedaliah - Judaism							
10 th World Suicide Prevention Day Ganesh Chaturthi – Hinduism	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
11th Ethiopian New Year's Day - Rastafari Samvatsari – Jain							
14 th The Triumph of the Cross – Christian							
15 th International Day of Democracy	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
16 th Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) * - Judaism							
19th Anant Chaturdashi – Jain	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
21 st International Day of Peace World Alzheimer's Day	20			23	۷ ۱	23	20
21st – 27th Sukkot (Tabernacles) * - Judaism							
22 nd Autumn Equinox Mabon – Ostara – Wicca/Pagan	27	28	29	30			
26 th World Deaf Day							

SEPTEMBER is Older Persons' Month | Childhood Cancer Awareness Month |

29th Michaelmas - Christian Simchat Torah (Celebration of the Torah) - Judaism **World Heart Day**

27th **Meskel –** Ethiopian Orthodox Christian 28th Shmini Atzeret (8th Day of Assembly) * - Judaism



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October Black History Month



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1st International Day of Older Persons							
2 nd Feast of the Guardian Angels – Christian International Day of Non-Violence					1	2	3
4 th Saint Francis Day - Christian							
6 th World Cerebral Palsy Day		_		7	0		10
7th – 14th Navaratri – Hinduism	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9 th Birthday of Guru Ram Das – Sikhism							
10 th World Mental Health Day	11	12	12	1.4	15	1.0	17
15 th Dussehra – Hinduism	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
16 th World Food Day							
17 th International Day for the Eradication of Poverty	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
18th Feast of Saint Luke – Christian							
19th Milad un Nabi (Mawlid) * – Islam	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
25 th Bank Holiday – ROI							
29th World Stroke Day							

OCTOBER is Black History Month | Down Syndrome Awareness Month | Lupus Awareness Month |

31st All Hallows' Eve (Halloween) – Christian Samhain (Halloween) – Wicca/Pagan **British Summer Time ends**



"Change happens by listening and then starting a dialogue with the people who are doing something you don't believe is right." – Jane Goodall

November Men's Health Awareness Month



1st All Saints' Day – Christian	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 nd All Soul's Day – Christian Coronation of Emperor Haile Selassie I -	<u> </u>	/	<u> </u>	<i>'</i>	<u>'</u>	,	
Rastafari 4 th Diwali/Deepavali – Hinduism, Sikhism, Jain Bandi Chhor Divas – Sikhism	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
5 th Guy Fawkes Night							
6th Birth of the Báb – Baha'i							
7th Birth of Baha'u'llah* - Baha'i	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
11 th Armistice Day							
13 th World Kindness Day							
14 th World Diabetes Day Remembrance Sunday	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
15 th Nativity Fast begins – Orthodox Christian							
19 th International Men's Day Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev – Sikhism	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
20 th Transgender Day of Remembrance Universal Children's Day	22	23	24	25	20	27	20
21st Presentation of the Theotokos – Orthodox Christian Feast of Christ the King – Christian 24th Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur - Sikhism	29	30					
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NOVEMBER is Men's Health Awareness Month | Pancreatic Cancer Awareness Month | Lung Cancer Awareness Month

29th Chanukah begins * – Judaism

28th Advent Sunday- Christian

25th International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women Day of the Covenant * - Baha'l Thanksgiving Day – Interfaith USA

27th Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha * – Baha'i

30th Saint Andrew's Day – Christian Bank Holiday (Scotland)

Religious dates with a * next to them usually begin at sundown on the evening before.



"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much." - Helen Keller

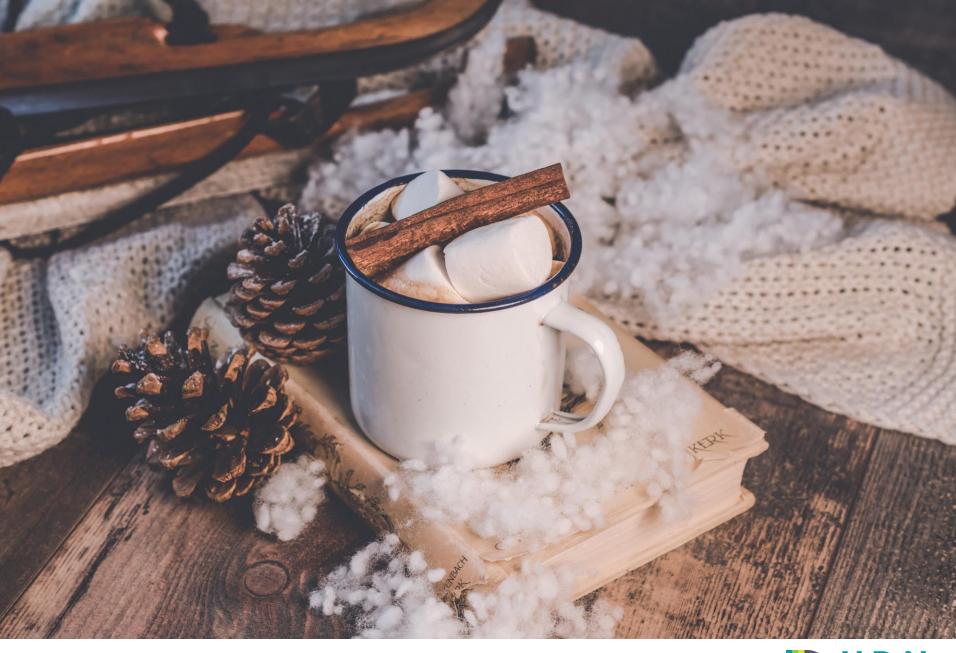
December Universal Human Rights Month

31st Hogmanay/ New Year's Eve





1st World AIDS Day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
2 nd International Day of the Abolition of Slavery			1	2	3	4	5		
3 rd International Day of Persons with Disabilities					3	4			
5 th Chanukah ends – Judaism									
6 th Saint Nicholas Day – Christian	6	7	8	0	10	11	4.2		
8 th Feast of the Immaculate Conception - Christian	6	/	8	9	10	11	12		
9th International Anti-Corruption Day									
10 th Human Rights Day									
14 th Fast of 10 Tevet – Judaism	13	14	15	16	17	18	19		
18 th International Migrants Day									
20 th International Human Solidarity Day									
21st Winter Solstice Yule - Litha * - Wicca/Pagan Northern and Southern Hemispheres	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
24th Christmas Eve – Christian									
25 th Christmas Day – Christian									
26 th Boxing Day Saint Stephen's Day – Christian Feast of the Holy Family – Catholic Christian	27	28	29	30	31				
27 th Bank Holiday - UK & ROI									
28 th Holy Innocents – Christian Bank Holiday - UK & ROI	DECEMBER is Universal Human Rights Month AIDS Awareness Month Spiritual Literacy Month								



SEASON'S GREETING FROM HDN



