



OBSERVANCES AND RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

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National Caribbean American Heritage Month:

This month recognizes the contributions of Caribbean immigrants to the United States from founding father Alexander Hamilton to US Secretary of State Colin Powell and the Honorable Shirley Chisholm, the first Black woman to run as a candidate for President of the United States.

Pride Month (LGBTQIAA+): The first celebration was hosted in New York City on June 28, 1970, when thousands marched in the streets celebrating what was originally called Gay Pride Day.

This celebration marked the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Riots, a series of spontaneous demonstrations by members of the gay community in response to a police raid of the Stonewall Inn. The Stonewall Riots are recognized as a critical tipping point in the gay liberation movement that ignited the modern fight for LGBTQ rights in the United States.

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<p>National Cancer Survivors Day: Observed to celebrate the people who survived cancer, inspire those who are still battling and provide support to the community.</p>	<p>Day of Arafat: This day for Muslims is a day of pilgrimage to Mount Arafat where they gather in prayer waiting for judgment.</p>
<p>Feast of the Sacred Heart: The Feast of the Sacred Heart falls 19 days after Pentecost on a Friday and has been in the Roman Catholic liturgical calendar since 1856.</p>	<p>Martyrdom of Guru: June 16th is a day to commemorate and celebrate the life of religious figure Guru Arjan Dev who sacrificed his life for the Sikh people.</p>
<p>Race Unity Day: Promotes racial harmony and understanding in the Baha'i faith.</p>	<p>Father's Day: Honors all fathers, grandfathers, great-grandfathers and father figures for their contribution.</p>
<p>Shavuot: Shavuot, or Shvues in some Ashkenazi usage, commonly known in English as the Feast of Weeks, is one of the biblically ordained Three Pilgrimage Festivals</p>	<p>Eid al-Adha: Commemorates Ibrahim's sacrifice of his son to God and marks the end of the Hajj pilgrimage. It begins the evening of June 29 and ends the evening of June 30.</p>
<p>National Loving Day: In a decision celebrated every June 12 as Loving Day, the nation's highest court ruled that bans on interracial marriage that were in place in 16 states at the time violated the equal protection and due process clauses of the Fourteenth Amendment. The day is named for the landmark decision, Loving v. Virginia.</p>	<p>Jones V. Alfred H. Mayer Co.: A court case that bars all racial discrimination from the sale or rental of property 1968.</p>
<p>Thurgood Marshall: On June 13, 1967, President Lyndon B. Johnson nominated distinguished civil rights lawyer Thurgood Marshall to be the first African American justice to serve on the Supreme Court of the United States.</p>	<p>Juneteenth: Juneteenth is a federal holiday in the United States commemorating the end of slavery. Its name is a portmanteau of "June" and "nineteenth", as it is celebrated on the anniversary of June 19, 1865.</p>
<p>Flag Day: Honors and commemorates the adoption of the American flag which occurred on this day in 1777 by the Second Continental Congress.</p>	<p>Litha: Pagan and Wiccan festival that begins on the summer solstice and celebrates midsummer. It is one of the eight sabbats during the year. It occurs on the summer solstice, June 24th, and is celebrated by neo-pagans and Wiccans. The ancient Celts used to commemorate the day with bonfires and dancing - and jumping over fire could bring good luck!</p>
<p>The Hajj: Hajj is an annual Islamic pilgrimage to Mecca, Saudi Arabia, the holiest city for Muslims.</p>	<p>Armed Forces Day: Armed Forces Day pays tribute to the military personnel serving in the United States Armed Forces.</p>