



Diversity Calendar

April 2021

Date	Religion/Culture	Event
April 1 st	Christianity	Holy Thursday This is a day to commemorate the Last Supper, which was the last time the Jesus and the Apostles were together before his crucifixion. Practices of this holiday has changed over the years. Many parts of the world celebrate it in different ways. However, one common tradition is washing of the feet, in memory of Christ when he washed the feet of his disciples.
April 2 nd	Christianity	Good Friday This is the Friday before Easter in recognition of the execution of Jesus Christ. Various religious services take place depending on the Church.
April 4 th	Christianity	Easter Easter is a commemoration of the resurrection of Jesus Christ on the third day of his crucifixion. It is celebrated with fun traditions including decorating eggs and surprise visits to children by the Easter Bunny.
April 12 th (sundown)	Islam	Ramadaan This is the holiest month in the Islamic calendar. During this month Muslims around the world fast from sunrise to sunset for approximately 29 days. It is a month of prayers and devotion to God, charitable giving's and continuing ones kindness toward others.
April 12 th	Hinduism	Hindu New Year Celebration of a new calendar year.
April 16 th to 17 th	Judaism	Yom Ha'Atzmaut This day is marked as the national Independence Day of Israel, following the Israeli Declaration of Independence in 1948.
April 20 th	Baha'i Faith	Ridvan This festival is celebrated over 12 days to remember Baha'u'llah, the founder of the Baha'i faith. Believers are refrained from working or going to school on the first day of Ridvan. The day is celebrated in prayer and festivities including extravagant garments and food.
April 21 st	Hinduism	Ram Navami A celebration of the birthday of Lord Rama. This is one of five major holy festivals celebrated across the Hindu religion. Usually red garments are worn in celebration with extravagant flowers offered to the God. Some devotees also fast from sunrise until the next morning.

April 22 nd	Global	Earth Day Earth Day the global movement that started in 1970 to show support for environmental issues affecting our planet. Many communities around the world take different initiatives to mark the day and remind us of the duties we have in protecting the world we live in.
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Above are the main multicultural celebrations for the month of April, 2021. There may be some celebrations, which have not been included in this calendar and customs may vary. If you would like me to add your special holiday or vary the customs, please write me at afsana@gcmediation.com.