Forest Sangha Calendar  $2026 \cdot 2569$ 

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# LUNAR OBSERVANCE DAYS • ( )





These days are devoted to quiet reflection at the monastery. Visitors may come and take the precepts for the day and join in all or part of the extended evening meditation.

The dates for the lunar calendar are determined by traditional methods of calculation, and are therefore not always the same as the precise astronomical occurrences.

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# THE MAJOR FULL MOON DAYS FOR 2026 / 2569

Māgha Pūjā · March 3 ('Sangha Day')

Commemorates the spontaneous gathering of 1250 arahants to whom the Buddha gave the exhortation on the basis of the Discipline (Ovāda Pāṭimokkha).

Vesākha Pūjā · May 31 ('Buddha Day')

Commemorates the birth, enlightenment and passing away of the Buddha.

Āsāļhā Pūjā · July 29 ('Dhamma Day')

Commemorates the Buddha's first discourse, given to the five samaṇas in the Deer Park at Sarnath, near Varanasi. The traditional Rainy-Season Retreat (Vassa) begins on the next day.

Pavāraņā Day · October 26

This marks the end of the three-month *Vassa* retreat. In the following month, lay people may offer the Kaṭhina-robe as part of a general alms-giving ceremony.

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Jul 30: First Day of Vassa

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Oct 26: Last Day of Vassa

Oct 11 • 15 days Vassāna 5/8 Oct 26 15 days Vassāna 6/8

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