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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 · 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 · 31 ('Buddha Day')

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

Āsāḷhā Pūjā · 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.

Pavāraṇā Day · 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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* 16: Ajahn Chah Memorial Day

3 15 Hemanta 4/8
18 15 Hemanta 5/8

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2 ○ 15 Hemanta 6/8
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* 3: Māgha Pūjā

3 15 Hemanta 8/8
18 15 Gimha 1/10

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* 13: South Asian New Year

2 ○ 15 Gimha 2/10
16 ● 14 Gimha 3/10

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* 31: Vesākha Pūjā

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31	○	15	Gimha	6/10

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* 17: Ajahn Chah's Birthday

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29 15 Gimha 8/10

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29: 14 15 Gimha 9/10

30: 29 15 Gimha 10/10

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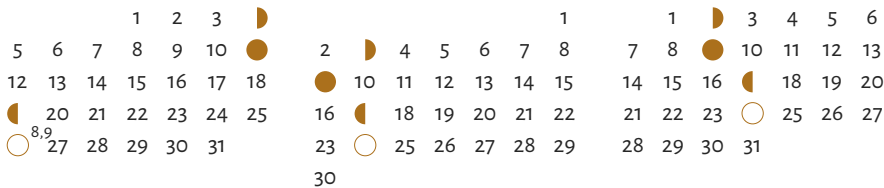
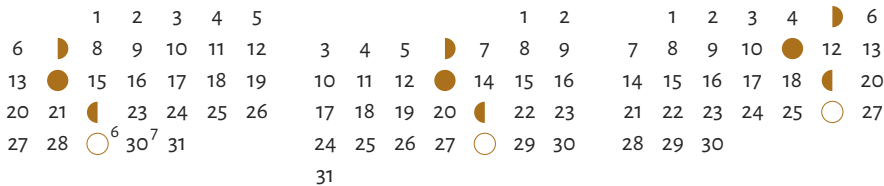
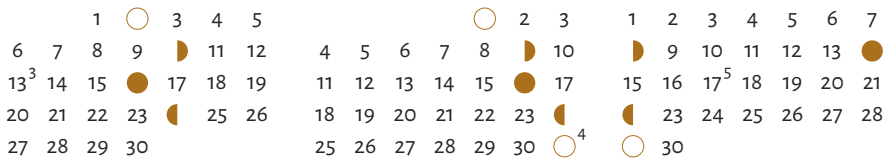
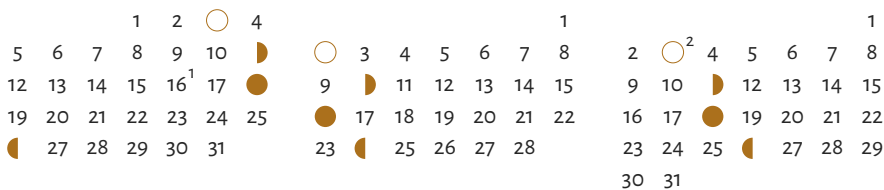
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
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¹  16: Ajahn Chah Memorial Day

²  3: Māgha Pūjā


³  13: South Asian New Year

⁴  3I: Vesākha Pūjā

⁵  17: Ajahn Chah's Birthday

6 29:

7 30:

⁸  26: Pavāraṇā

⁹  26: Last Day of Vassa

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