

Forest Sangha Calendar
2026 · 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.

For more information, visit: <https://splendidmoons.github.io>

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.

Āsāḷhā 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.

Pavāraṇā 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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January

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*Jan 16: Ajahn Chah Memorial Day

Jan 3 ● 15 days Hemanta 4/8
Jan 18 ○ 15 days Hemanta 5/8





February

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Feb 2 ● 15 days Hemanta 6/8
Feb 16 ○ 14 days Hemanta 7/8





March

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* Mar 3: Māgha Pūjā

Mar 3 ● 15 days Hemanta 8/8
Mar 18 ○ 15 days Gimha 1/10





April

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* Apr 13: South Asian New Year

Apr 2 ● 15 days Gimha 2/10
Apr 16 ○ 14 days Gimha 3/10





May

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* May 31: Vesākha Pūjā

May 1 ● 15 days Gimha 4/10
May 16 ○ 15 days Gimha 5/10
May 31 ● 15 days Gimha 6/10





June

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*Jun 17: Ajahn Chah's Birthday

Jun 14 14 days Gimha 7/10

Jun 29 15 days Gimha 8/10





July

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* Jul 29: Āsāḷhā Pūjā

* Jul 30: First Day of Vassa

Jul 14 ☉ 15 days Gimha 9/10

Jul 29 ☉ 15 days Gimha 10/10





August

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September

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Sep 11 14 days Vassāna 3/8
Sep 26 15 days Vassāna 4/8



October

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* Oct 26: Pavāraṇā

* Oct 26: Last Day of Vassa

Oct 11 ○ 15 days Vassāna 5/8

Oct 26 ● 15 days Vassāna 6/8



November

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Nov 9 ☉ 14 days Vassāna 7/8
Nov 24 ☉ 15 days Vassāna 8/8





December

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Dec 9 15 days Hemanta 1/8
Dec 24 15 days Hemanta 2/8



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