

2010 Religious Calendar

January

January 1	New Year's day
January 2	Holy Fathers basil, Gregory of Byssa, Sylvester of Rome and Ephrem the Syrian
January 3	Seventh Sunday of Advent
January 5	Eve of the Nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ
January 6	Feast of the nativity and Theophany of our Lord Jesus Christ
January 7	Remembrance of the Dead
January 10	Fifth day of the Octave of Theophany
January 13	Feast of Naming of our Lord Jesus Christ
January 14	Birth of St. John the Forerunner (the Baptist)
January 17	First Sunday after the Octave of Theophany
January 23	Holy fathers Saints Athanasius and Cyril of Alexandria and Gregory of Theologian
January 24	Fast of Catechumens
January 29	Fast of Catechumens
January 30	St. Sarkis the Warrior and his son Martiros and his Fourteen Soldiers

February

February 6	Catholicos St. Sahak Barteve
February 9	St. Levontius the Priest and his companions
February 11	St. Vartan the Warrior and his 1036 companions
February 13	150 fathers of the holy Coucil of Constantinopke (AD 381)
February 14	Great Barekendan
February 15	First Day of Lent
February 20	St. Theodore the Warrior
February 21	Second Sunday of Great Lent – Sunday of Expulsion
February 21	Saints Cyril Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cyril the bishop and his mother Anna
February 28	Third Sunday of Great Lent – Sunday of Prodigal Son

March

March 3	Median day of Lent
March 6	Sts. John of Jerusalem, John of Otzum, John of Orotni and Gregory of Datev
March 7	Fourth Sunday of Great lent – Sunday of Steward
March 13	Forty Holy Martyred Children of Sebastia
March 14	Fifth Sunday of Great lent – Sunday of the Judge
March 20	St. Gregory the Enlightener (commitment to the pit)
March 21	Sixth Sunday of Great lent – Sunday of Advent
March 27	Remembrance of the Raising of Lazarus
March 28	Palm Sunday
March 30	Remembrance of the Ten Virginis Feast of the Annunciation of the Holy Virgin Mary

April

April 1	Holy Thursday
April 2	Holy Friday - Commemoration of the Passion, Crucifixion, and Burial of our Lord Jesus Christ
April 3	Holy Saturday; Fast day. Eve of the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
April 4	Easter Sunday - Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ
April 5	Remembrance of the Dead
April 7	Annunciation of the Virgin Mary
April 11	Octave of Easter – New Sunday
April 18	Sunday of the World Church – Green Sunday
April 24	Genocide Remembrance
April 25	Red Sunday

May

May 2	Apparition of the Holy Cross
May 9	Sixth Sunday of Eastertide – Mother’s Day
May 13	Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ
May 16	Second Palm Sunday
May 23	Pentecost
May 30	Remembrance of the Prophet Elijah
May 31	St. Hripsime and her Companions – Memorial Day

June

June 1	St. Gayane and her Companions
June 5	Feast of St. Gregory the Enlightener (Deliverance from the Pit)
June 6	Feast of the Consecration “Shoghakat” of Holy Etchmiadzin
June 12	Commemoration Day of St. Nerses the Great and Bishop Khad
June 15	Sts. Constantine the Emperor and his mother Helena
June 19	Feast of St. Gregory the Enlightener (Discovery of His Relics)
June 20	Father’s Day
June 22	Feast Day of the Saints Daniel the Prophet, and Companions Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed'nego
June 24	Holy Translators Saints Sahak and Mesrop
June 26	Saints King Drtad, Queen Ashkhen and Princess Khosrovidookhd

July

July 3	Twelve Holy Apostles of Christ and St Paul, the Thirteenth Apostle
July 11	Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord (Vartavar)
July 12	Remembrance of the Dead
July 15	Feast Day of Saint Isaiah the Prophet
July 17	Saints Thaddeus Apostle of Armenia and Sandoukht the Virgin
July 18	Second Sunday after Transfiguration

July 24 Sons and Grandsons of Saint Gregory the Enlightener: Saints Aristakes, Vertanes, Hoosik, Grigoris and Daniel

July 26 Sts. Maccabees, Elezar the priest, Sumphorosa and her seven sons
July 31 St. Gregory the Theologian

August

August 2 St. Vahan of Goghtn
August 7 200 Fathers of the Holy Council of Ephesus (AD 431)
August 8 Paregentan of the Fast of Transfiguration
August 15 **Feast of the Assumption of the holy Mother-Of-God**
August 16 Remembrance of the Dead
August 24 Sts. Joachim and Anna, parents of the Holy Mother-Of-God
August 26 St. Jeremiah the Prophet
August 31 St. Ezekiel the Prophet

September

September 4 318 Fathers of the Holy Council of Nicaea (AD 325)
September 5 Paregentan of the Fast of the Exaltation
September 8 Feast of the Nativity of the Holy Mother of God
September 12 **Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross**
September 13 Remembrance of the dead
September 19 Paregentan of the Holy Cross of Varak
September 21 Holy Virgin Shushan daughter of Vartan
September 25 Saints George the Warrior, Adautus and Romanos the Melodist
September 26 Feast of the Holy Cross of Varak

October

October 2 Seventy Two Holy Disciples of Christ
October 9 Holy Translators Mesrop, Yeghishe, Moses the Poet, David the Philosopher, Gregory of Narek and Nerses the Graceful
October 16 Holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and John
October 24 Feast of the Discovery of the Holy Cross
October 30 St. John Chrysostom
October 31 Eight Sunday after Exaltation

November

November 6 Holy Archangels Gabriel and Michael and all the heavenly hosts
November 20 Feast of All Saints
November 21 Presentation of the Holy Mother of God to the Temple
November 28 First Sunday of Advent

December

December 4 Holy Apostles Thaddeus and Bartholomew, First Illuminators of Armenia

December 5 Second Sunday of Advent
December 9 Feast of the Conception of the Holy Virgin Mary
December 11 St. Nicholas the Wonderworker
December 12 Third Sunday of Advent – Barekendan of the Fast of St. James
December 13 St. Minas the Egyptian
December 18 St. James Bishop of Nisibis
December 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 23 St. David the Prophet – king and the holy Apostle James, brother of the Lord
December 25 Christmas Day – St. Stephen the Protodeacon and first martyr
December 26 Fifth Sunday of Advent
December 27 Holy Apostles Peter and Paul
December 28 Holy Apostles James and John “Sons of Thunder”
December 29 Barekendan of the Fast of Nativity