

Religious Observances 2025-2026

Bentley University is committed to supporting and celebrating a diverse and inclusive campus culture. We recognize and celebrate the diversity of religious traditions represented in the campus community. This calendar is a curated guide relative to our campus community and is not exhaustive of all religious practices. *Is there a holiday or practice you wish to see highlighted?* Please contact: GA_Spiritual_Life@bentley.edu

Many holidays will be celebrated in our Sacred Space in the Student Center, guided by the Spiritual Life Center. Reach out to a Spiritual Life for more information.

Here are some campus policies and practices:

- Academic Accommodations
- Residential Life
- Faculty and Staff HR
- Halal and Kosher food available in 921 Dining Hall
- * Denotes holiday begins and ends at sunset
- † Dates are somewhat approximate and may shift +/- a day

Fall Semester 2025

August 15 Feast of the Assumption of Mary

August 16 Krishna Janmashtami August 26 Ganesh Chaturthi

September 22-October 1 Navratri

September 22-24* Rosh Hashanah

October 1-2* Yom Kippur October 6-13 Sukkot

October 13-15* Shemini Atzeret and Simchat Torah

October 20 Diwali

November 1 All Saints' Day

November 1-2 All Souls Day - Dia de los Muertos

November 5 Guru Nanak Gurpurab November 30 December 24 – Advent

December 8 Immaculate Conception

December 25 Christmas
December 25-Jan 2 Hanukkah
December 26-Jan 1 Kwanzaa

Spring Semester 2026

January 7 Feast of Nativity (Orthodox Christmas)

January 26 Bodhi Day

February 17 Lunar New Year

February 17-March 18*† Ramadan

February 18 Ash Wednesday

March 2-3* Purim

March 3 Magha Puja Day

March 4* Holi
March 19-20*† Eid al-Fitr
March 29-April 4 Holy Week

April 1-9* Passover

April 3 Good Friday

April 13-14* Yom HaShoah

April 20 Easter/Pascha (Western/Orthodox)

Summer 2026

May 21-23* Shavuot
May 26-27* Eid-al-Adha

June 16-17* Al-Hijri, Islamic New Year

August 15* Feast of the Assumption of Mary