Eighth Day (Shmini 'Atzeret) is considered both the end of Sukkot and a distinct festival. The name refers to the booths (sukkot) used by Israelites during desert wanderings and constructed in the fields during Sukkot.

**Sukkot**

Tradition: Judaism

Mon., Sep. 20 – Mon., Sep. 27, 2021

Mabon

The conclusion of the Ten Days of Awe, Yom Kippur is the holiest and most solemn of all days in the Jewish year. It is set apart, not as a time of atonement or repentance, but as a day for seeking forgiveness from those we may have wronged in the past year. 

**Yom Kippur**

Tradition: Judaism

Wed., Sep. 8, 2021

Ghambar Paitishem

Considered the holiest period of the year, these eight days are marked for Jains by fasting, meditation, prayer and reflection. This is a time of seeking forgiveness and a chance to start afresh. 

**Paryusana**

Tradition: Jainism

Celebrates the birth of Mary, mother of Jesus Christ. 

**Mary’s Birthday**

Tradition: Christianity-Orthodox

Wed., Sep. 1, 2021

The Paryusana Festival of Jain Digumbar Sect): A 10-day festival that is considered to be a holy convocation. 

**Paryusana**

Tradition: Zoroastrianism

Tradition: Hinduism

Celebrates the birth of Sita, the wife of Rama, the main character of the Hindu epic Ramayana. 

**Janmashtami**

Tradition: Hinduism

Celebrates the birth of Jesus Christ. 

**Christmas**

Tradition: Christianity-Orthodox