



**Hello International Students and Friends,**

Hope you all are doing well. Finally the weather seems to lighten up your mood. There's a saying "April showers do bring May flowers", and and Easter, a season of hope, is this weekend!

Below, check out the highlights about Easter, and don't forget to file your taxes.

[The OIP](#)

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## 2022 Tax Filing Information

**Tax Day is coming up on Monday, April 18!** International students, refer back to the email you received on February 4 from oip@valpo.edu titled "*Important tax filing instructions for Current VU students and scholars*". That email gives you important instructions on how to file your taxes (even if you didn't work at all in 2021). It will direct you to a special tax service called "Sprintax" which is designed to meet international student needs.

**NOTE:** in most cases, using other tax softwares such as TurboTax will not account for your status as F-1/J-1 international students! We strongly recommend that you do not use those tax services if you are in typical F-1/J-1 visa status.

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# Easter Highlights



This coming Sunday, April 17, is Easter! But what is this holiday, and how/why do people celebrate it? Click through the links below to find out.

- . [Click here](#) to see fun ways families in the U.S. have traditionally celebrated Easter.
- . [Click here](#) for a view of Easter traditions around the world.
- . [Click here](#) for a Q&A about why Easter is important for Christians.

Here are a few options of local churches which have Easter services.

- . [Valparaiso University Chapel](#)
- . [Liberty Bible Church](#), (many Easter activities)
- . [Calvary Church](#), Valpo (modern style service)

Here are Easter movie options for the weekend!

- . [The Jesus Film](#) 1979 G (start watching from 1hr 24min point for Easter

story)

- . [Risen](#) 2016 PG-13 (historical fiction about the resurrection story)
- . [Ben Hur](#) 1959 G (historical fiction which ends with an Easter theme)
- . [The Passion of the Christ](#) 2004 R (an account of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection).

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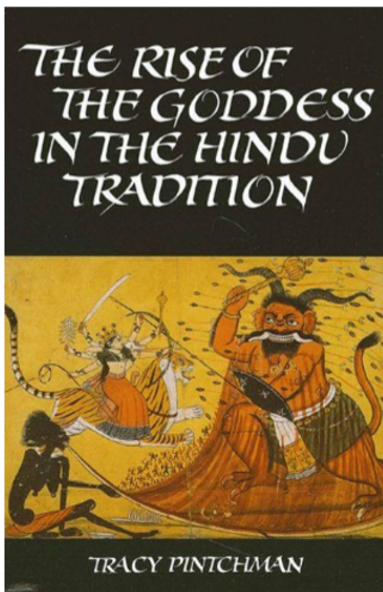
## Interfaith Lecture, April 20



*Join us for an Interfaith Lecture*

April 20 | 7-8 p.m.

HARRE UNION BALLROOM A



**A Hindu Goddess Moves to America:  
Breaking Boundaries at the Parashakthi Temple  
in Pontiac, Michigan**

This year's lecturer, Tracy Pintchman, is a professor of religious studies and director of the Global Studies Program at Loyola University of Chicago. Her research interests include Hindu goddess traditions, women and religion, and transnational Hinduism.



Sponsored by Surjit S. Patheja Chair in World Religions and Ethics

\* CORE Approved - Refreshments will be served \*

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## OIP Hours



Stop by Room 209 in the Harre Union (Gandhi-King Center) to pick up documents, make an appointment, or just chat between 9am and 4pm, Monday to Friday. (we will be closed on Good Friday, April 15)

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See you around campus!



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