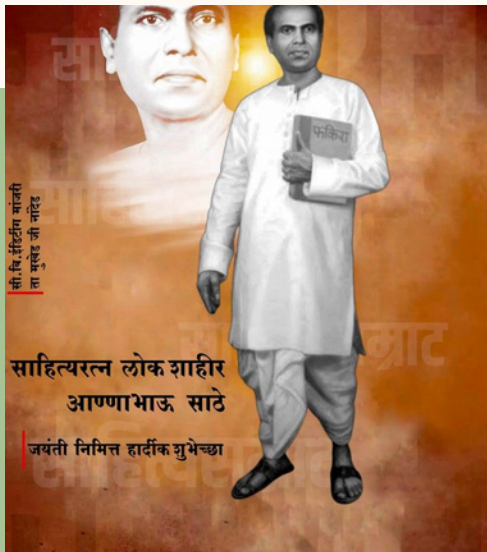


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## Lokshah Jayanti (Jain)

Nov 8- This day commemorates the birth of a famous 15th century reformer. Lonka Shah, who opposed temple worship and use of images.

## Guru Nanak's Birthday (Sikh)

Nov 8- Guru Nanak was born in 1469 CE and was the first of the Ten Gurus of the Sikh faith and founded Sikhism. An accomplished poet, 974 of his hymns are in the Sikh scriptures, the Sri Guru Granth Sahib.



## Remembrance Day (Australia, Canada, UK)

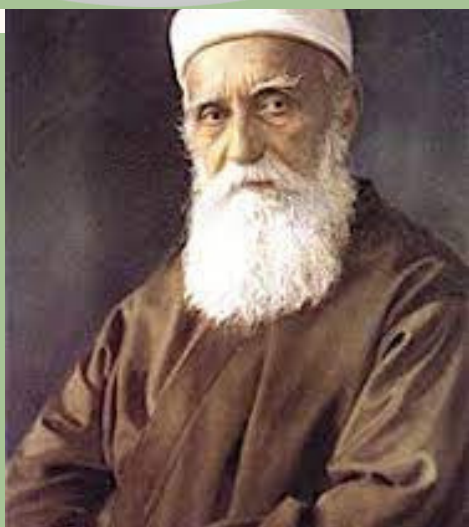


Nov 11- This day commemorates the soldiers killed in World War I and World War II and is in remembrance for all those who have given their lives in service of their country. Canadians always set aside this day in memory of those who gave their lives for freedom. Many observers wear red poppies as a symbol of this day.



## Shichi-Go-San (Japan)

Nov 15- Prayers are offered for children's growth. The ages of three and five for boys, three and seven for girls are celebrated. On this day, children dress up in their gala dresses and go with their parents to a Shinto shrine to pay a visit to the tutelary deity.



## Day of Covenant (Bahá'í)

Nov 18- The eldest son and appointed successor of Bahá'u'lláh, Abdu'l-Baha, referred to this day as the 'Centre of Covenant' which was established to safeguard the unity of the community.

## Kinro Kansha No Hi (Japan)

Nov 23- This is the Japanese Labour Thanksgiving Day when people express gratitude to each other for their labours throughout the year.

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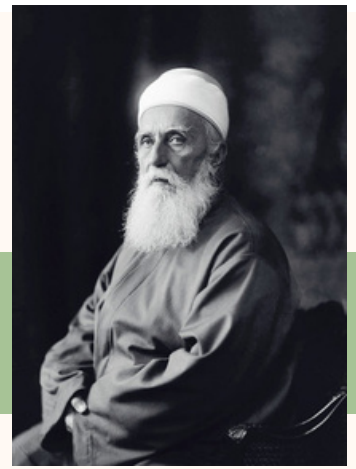


## Thanksgiving Day (USA)

Nov 24- Early American settlers gave thanks for good harvests by decorating their churches with fruits and vegetables and celebrating dinner with venison and waterfowl.

## Ascension of Abdu'l-Baha (Bahá'í)

Nov 27- After years of serving his father and safeguarding the unity of the Faith, Abdu'l-Baha passed away in Haifa, Israel in 1921.



## First Sunday of Advent (Christian)

Nov 27- The Christian church year begins with Advent (from the Latin adventus meaning 'coming' or 'arrival') which is also a time when Christians prepare to celebrate the birth of Christ.

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