

Nineteen Day Feasts

Bahá (Splendor).....	20 March 2024
Jalál (Glory).....	8 April 2024
Jamál (Beauty).....	27 April 2024
‘Azamat (Grandeur).....	16 May 2024
Núr (Light).....	4 June 2024
Rahmat (Mercy).....	23 June 2024
Kalimát (Words).....	12 July 2024
Kamál (Perfection).....	31 July 2024
Asmá’ (Names).....	19 August 2024
‘Izzat (Might).....	7 September 2024
Mashíyyat (Will).....	26 September 2024
‘Ilm (Knowledge).....	15 October 2024
Qudrat (Power).....	3 November 2024
Qawl (Speech).....	22 November 2024
Masá’il (Questions) ...	11 December 2024
Sharaf (Honor).....	30 December 2024
Sultán (Sovereignty).....	18 January 2025
Mulk (Dominion).....	6 February 2025
‘Alá’ (Loftiness).....	1 March 2025

Holy Days (Suspend Work)

Naw-Rúz.....	20 March 2024
First Day of Riḍván.....	20 April 2024
Observed at about 4:00 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time	
Ninth Day of Riḍván.....	28 April 2024
Twelfth Day of Riḍván.....	1 May 2024
Declaration of the Báb.....	23 May 2024
Observed at about 9:00 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time	
Ascension of Bahá’u’lláh ...	28 May 2024
Observed at about 4:00 a.m. Alaska Daylight Time	
Martyrdom of the Báb.....	9 July 2024
Observed at about 1:00 p.m. Alaska Daylight Time	
Birth of the Báb.....	2 November 2024
Birth of Bahá’u’lláh.....	3 November 2024

Other Holy Days

Day of the Covenant.....	25 November 2024
Ascension of ‘Abdu’l-Bahá...27 November 2024	
Observed at about 1:00 a.m. Alaska Standard Time	

Ayyám-i-Há

25 February 2025 – 28 February 2025

The Fast

1 March – 19 March 2025

Time of Day Considerations

The Bahá’í day begins and ends at sunset. In Alaska, due to its extremely northern latitude, the clock is used instead of actual sunrise/sunset times. The Bahá’í day begins and ends at 6:00 p.m. Alaska Standard Time (AST). Standard Time is observed year ‘round with respect to Bahá’í events observed at specific times or periods of the day (noon, sunrise, sunset, morning, evening, etc.) So, during Daylight Saving Time (ADT), the Bahá’í day begins and ends at 7:00 p.m. ADT, which corresponds to 6:00 p.m. AST.

For example, in observing the Fast, the first days of the Fast are observed from 6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., but once Daylight Saving Time begins, the Fast is observed from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. ADT.

Times for the recitation of the Obligatory Prayers:

By “morning,” “noon” and “evening,” mentioned in connection with the Obligatory Prayers, is meant respectively the intervals between sunrise and noon, between noon and sunset, and from sunset till two hours after sunset.

—Synopsis and Codification of the *Kitáb-i-Aqdas*, p. 36

In Alaska, this guidance is applied as follows:

- “Morning” – the interval between 6:00 a.m. and 12:00 p.m. AST (7:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. ADT)
- “Noon” – the interval between 12:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. AST (1:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. ADT)
- “Evening” – the interval between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. AST (7:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. ADT)

Times for Riḍván elections of Local Spiritual Assemblies:

Riḍván elections of Local Spiritual Assemblies must be held between 7:00 p.m. 20 April 2024 and 7:00 p.m. 21 April 2024. Riḍván elections held at any other time are invalid.

“Dawn” defined in terms of the clock:

With regard to the meaning of “dawn:” Bahá’u’lláh wrote:

Although the words “at the hour of dawn” are used in the Book of God, it is acceptable to God at the earliest dawn of day, between dawn and sunrise, or even up to two hours after sunrise.

—Bahá’u’lláh, *The Kitáb-i-Aqdas*, Questions and Answers #15

In Alaska, where “sunrise” is defined as 6:00 a.m. Alaska Standard Time (7:00 a.m. Alaska Daylight Time), the National Spiritual Assembly has defined “dawn” as being from 5:00 a.m. (one hour before “sunrise by the clock”) to 8:00 a.m. (two hours after “sunrise by the clock”) Alaska Standard Time (6:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Alaska Daylight Time).