

SOCIAL JUSTICE DATES 2023

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JANUARY

- **22** Day of Mourning, Uniting Church.
- **26** Survival Day (Australia Day).

FEBRUARY

- **1-7** World Interfaith Harmony Week.
- 6 International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation.
- 13 2008: Anniversary of the National Apology to the Stolen Generations.
- **17** 2014: Murder of Iranian Asylum Seeker Reza Barati in Offshore Immigration Detention.
- **20** World Day of Social Justice.
- **21** Shrove Tuesday
- **22** Ash Wednesday

MARCH

- 1 Zero Discrimination Day.
- World Day of Prayer.World Wildlife Day.International Day of Unplugging.
- 5 Clean Up Australia Day.
- 8 International Women's Day.
- **15-21** Harmony Week.
- **16** National Close the Gap Day
- **21** Harmony Day
- **22** International Water Day.
- **24** International Day for the Right to the Truth.
- **25** Earth Hour (8.30pm 9.30pm).

APRIL

- 2 Palm Sunday
 - World Autism Awareness Day.
- 4 International Day for Mine Awareness.
- **7** Good Friday
 - World Health Day.
- 9 Easter Sunday
- **15** Deaths in Custody final Report
- **22** Earth Day

MAY

- 1 International Workers' Day (May Day).
- **3** World Press Freedom Day.
- **13** World Fair Trade Day.
- **15** International Day of Families.
- **15-21** National Volunteer Week.
- **16** International Day of Living Together in Peace.
- World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development.
- **22** International Day of Biodiversity.
- National Sorry Day.2017: Statement from the Heart made at Uluru.
- 27 1967: Referendum allowing laws for Aboriginal People and to be included in the census.
- 27-3 (June) National Reconciliation Week.
- 28 Pentecost Sunday
 Reconciliation Sunday, Uniting Church.

JUNE

- 3 1992: High Court Decision in the Mabo Case
- 4 International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression.
 - 1989: Tiananmen Square Massacre.
- **5** World Environment Day.
- 8 World Oceans Day.
- World Day Against Child Labour.1988: Barunga Statement Presented by Aboriginal Leaders.
- **15** World Elder Abuse Awareness Day.
- World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought.
- 19 International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict.
- 18-24 Refugee Week.
- **20** World Refugee Day.
- 22 Uniting Church in Australia Anniversary.
- **26** International Day in Support of Victims of Torture.
- **30** World Social Media Day.



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JULY

2-9 NAIDOC Week

- **11** World Population Day.
- **15** World Youth Skills Day.
- 18 Nelson Mandela International Day.
- World Day Against Trafficking in Persons. International Day of Friendship.
- **31** National Tree Day.

AUGUST

- 4 National Aboriginal and Islander Children's Day.
- 6 1945: Destruction of Hiroshima by Atomic Bomb.
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples.1945: Destruction of Nagasaki by Atomic Bomb.
- **12** International Youth Day.
- **19** World Humanitarian Dav.
- 22 International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence Based on Religion or Belief.
- 23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and its Abolition.
- 26 2001: Tampa Affair and Rescuing of 433 Refugees.
- **27** Social Justice Sunday (Catholic).
- International Day of the Victims of Forced Disappearances.

SEPTEMBER

- World Day of Prayer for Care of Creation. Beginning of National Biodiversity Month.
- 1-4 (Oct) Season of Creation.
- 7 National Threatened Species Day.
- 8 International Literacy Day.
- **10** World Suicide Prevention Day.
- 14 RUOK? Day.
- **15** International Day of Democracy.
- **21** International Day of Peace.
- International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons.

OCTOBER

- **1** International Day for Older Persons.
- 2 International Day of Non-Violence. World Habitat Day.
- **10** World Mental Health Dav.
- 11 International Day of the Girl Child.
- **13** International Day for Disaster Reduction.
- **15-21** Anti-Poverty Week.
- **16** World Food Day.
- 17 International Day for the Eradication of Poverty.
- 19 2001: SIEV-X sinking and downing of 353 asylum seekers.
- **24** United Nations Day.
- **24-31** Disarmament Week.

NOVEMBER

- **5** World Tsunami Awareness Day.
- **11** Armistice Day.
- **20** World Children's Day.
- **24** International Buy Nothing Day.
- 25 International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women.
- 29 International Day of Solidarity with the Palestinian People.

DECEMBER

- World AIDS Day.
- 2 International Day for the Abolition of Slavery.
- **3** International Day of People with Disability.
- **5** International Volunteer Day.
- 9 International Anti-Corruption Day.
- 10 International Human Rights Day.
- 23 1996: Wik Decision (Native Title).