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New Year's Day (Shusho-e) January 1

This is a day of dedication. With renewed resolution we dedicate ourselves to the way of the Nembutsu.

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Ho-Onko (Shinran Shonin Memorial Day) January 16

Commemorating the memory of Shinran Shonin (May 21, 1173 - Jan 16, 1262), the Founder of Jodo Shinshu (True Pure Land Sect) Shinran Shonin was the first to teach absolute faith in Amida Buddha.

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Nirvana Day (Nehan-e) February 13

On this day we solemnly observe the passing of Sakyamuni Buddha into Pari-nirvana.

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Spring Higan (Higan-e) March 20

Higan literally means Other Shore and is observed in Spring on or about equinox day. At this time harmony rules throughout the universe. Therefore, we gather before the shrine of Amida Buddha to devote ourselves to the realization of this harmony in our inner lives.

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Hanamatsuri (Buddha Day) April 10

Celebrating the birth of Gautama (Buddha) in Lumbini Garden. During the service a flower shrine known as Hanamido is set up in front of the main shrine to represent Lumbini Garden. The sangha offers flowers and pours sweet tea over a statue of the infant Buddha.

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Gotane / Fujimatsuri (Shinran Shonin Day) May

Shinran Shonin was born near Kyoto on May 21, 1173. On this day we observe his birth as the founder of Jodo Shinshu.

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OBon (Bon) July 24

Bon is a Buddhist Memorial Day. It is an occasion for rejoicing in the enlightenment offered by the Buddha. It is often referred to as the "Gathering of Joy."

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Fall Higan (Higan-e) September 18

The sangha gathers twice a year during the Spring and Fall to recall the practices of Six Paramitas.

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Eitaikyo November 20

Honors all dedicated members and Dharma friends, whether known or unknown, who devoted themselves to the spiritual welfare of the temple, so that we may continue to practice, as Jodo Shinshu followers, the Buddha's teaching.

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Bodhi Day (Jodo-e) December 4

Gautama meditated under the Bodhi Tree (Tree of Enlightenment) and became a Buddha, perfect in Wisdom and Compassion.

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End of year (Joya-e) December 31

On New Year's Eve we meditate on the countless blessings we have received throughout the year and express our gratitude to our parents, our nation, all beings and Amida Buddha.

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