

# RAMADAN 1432 HIJRI

## SAHUR, IFTAR & PRAYER TIMINGS

| DATE | DAY   | IMSAK/FAJR | SHURUQ<br>Sunrise | ZUHUR<br>Noon | ASR<br>Afternoon | MAGHRIB<br>Sunset | ISHA<br>Late Eve |
|------|-------|------------|-------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|
| 1    | MON   | 5:29       | 6:41              | 1:29          | 5:05             | 8:15              | 9:28             |
| 2    | TUES  | 5:30       | 6:42              | 1:28          | 5:05             | 8:14              | 9:27             |
| 3    | WED   | 5:31       | 6:42              | 1:28          | 5:05             | 8:14              | 9:26             |
| 4    | THURS | 5:32       | 6:43              | 1:28          | 5:05             | 8:13              | 9:25             |
| 5    | FRI   | 5:32       | 6:44              | 1:28          | 5:05             | 8:12              | 9:24             |
| 6    | SAT   | 5:33       | 6:44              | 1:28          | 5:04             | 8:11              | 9:23             |
| 7    | SUN   | 5:34       | 6:45              | 1:28          | 5:04             | 8:10              | 9:22             |
| 8    | MON   | 5:35       | 6:45              | 1:28          | 5:04             | 8:10              | 9:21             |
| 9    | TUES  | 5:36       | 6:46              | 1:28          | 5:04             | 8:09              | 9:20             |
| 10   | WED   | 5:36       | 6:47              | 1:28          | 5:04             | 8:08              | 9:19             |
| 11   | THURS | 5:37       | 6:47              | 1:27          | 5:04             | 8:07              | 9:18             |
| 12   | FRI   | 5:38       | 6:48              | 1:27          | 5:03             | 8:06              | 9:16             |
| 13   | SAT   | 5:39       | 6:48              | 1:27          | 5:03             | 8:05              | 9:15             |
| 14   | SUN   | 5:40       | 6:48              | 1:27          | 5:03             | 8:04              | 9:14             |
| 15   | MON   | 5:40       | 6:50              | 1:27          | 5:03             | 8:03              | 9:13             |
| 16   | TUES  | 5:41       | 6:50              | 1:27          | 5:02             | 8:02              | 9:12             |
| 17   | WED   | 5:42       | 6:51              | 1:26          | 5:02             | 8:01              | 9:11             |
| 18   | THURS | 5:43       | 6:51              | 1:26          | 5:02             | 8:00              | 9:10             |
| 19   | FRI   | 5:43       | 6:52              | 1:26          | 5:02             | 7:59              | 9:08             |
| 20   | SAT   | 5:44       | 6:52              | 1:26          | 5:01             | 7:58              | 9:07             |
| 21   | SUN   | 5:45       | 6:52              | 1:25          | 5:01             | 7:57              | 9:06             |
| 22   | MON   | 5:45       | 6:54              | 1:25          | 5:00             | 7:56              | 9:05             |
| 23   | TUES  | 5:46       | 6:54              | 1:25          | 5:00             | 7:55              | 9:03             |
| 24   | WED   | 5:47       | 6:55              | 1:25          | 5:00             | 7:54              | 9:02             |
| 25   | THURS | 5:48       | 6:55              | 1:24          | 4:59             | 7:53              | 9:01             |
| 26   | FRI   | 5:48       | 6:56              | 1:24          | 4:59             | 7:52              | 9:00             |
| 27   | SAT   | 5:49       | 6:56              | 1:24          | 4:58             | 7:50              | 8:58             |
| 28   | SUN   | 5:50       | 6:56              | 1:23          | 4:58             | 7:49              | 8:57             |
| 29   | MON   | 5:50       | 6:57              | 1:23          | 4:57             | 7:48              | 8:56             |
| 30   | TUES  | 5:51       | 6:58              | 1:23          | 4:57             | 7:47              | 8:55             |



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# IN THE NAME OF ALLAH, MOST BENEFICENT, MOST MERCIFUL

## Importance of Ramadân-ul-Mubâarak

*O believers! Fasting is prescribed for you as it was prescribed for those before you so that you may learn self-restraint. It is the month of Ramadân in which the Qur'an was revealed, guidance for mankind with clear teachings showing the Right Way and a criterion of truth and falsehood. Therefore, anyone of you who witnesses that month should fast therein.*

[ Al-Qur'an 2:183 and a part of 185]

**Objective of Fasting is to gain Taqwa.** Taqwa can be explained with following words:

|               |                         |                  |                 |                            |
|---------------|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Fearing Allah | Protection              | Self-restraint   | Self-discipline | Self-evaluation            |
| Self-control  | Preparing for departure | Accepting little | Righteousness   | Practicing the Revelations |

**Dear Brothers and Sisters, following is Rasullallah Khutbah relating to Ramadân:**

Sayyiduna Salman (*Radi-allahu Anhu*) reported that on the last day of Sha'ban the Messenger of Allah (Sallallahu Alaihi Wa-Sallam) addressed us and said: "O People:

- There comes upon you, a great month, a most blessed month, in which lies a night greater than one thousand months. In this month, Allah (Subhanahu Wa-Ta'ala) made fasting during the daytime Fard, (obligatory) and made the Taraweeh by night a Sunnah.
- During this month whosoever tries to draw nearer to Allah by performing Nafil (non-obligatory) deed, for him shall be such a reward as if he had performed a Fard at any other time of the year. And whosoever performs a Fard, for him will be the reward of seventy Fard at any other time of the year.
- This indeed, is the month of patience; and the reward for true patience is Jannah (Paradise). It is the month of sympathy for each other. It is the month wherein a true believers' "Rizq" (provisions) is increased. Whosoever feeds a fasting person in order to break the fast, for him, there will be forgiveness of his sins and emancipation from the fire of Hell, and the same reward as for the fasting person (whom he fed), without that person's reward being diminished in the least.
- The first part of this month brings Allah's Mercy, the middle part brings His forgiveness and the last part brings emancipation from the fire of Hell. Whosoever lessens the burden of his servants in this month, Allah will forgive him and free him from the fire of Hell.

In this month, you should perform four things in abundance, two of which will be to please Allah (Subhanahu Wa-Ta'ala), while the other two you desperately need.

A. Of those which will be to please Allah (Subhanahu Wa-Ta'ala) are:

1. You should recite Al-Kalimah Al-Tayyibah: LA ILAHA IL 'LAL 'LAH in great quantity
2. Do a lot of Istighfaar (Beg Allah's forgiveness).

B. As for the two you desperately need:

1. You should beg Allah for entry into Paradise
2. Seek refuge in Allah from the fire of Hell.

Whosoever gives a fasting person water to drink, Allah will grant him a drink from my fountain. It is such a drink where after he will never again feel thirsty until he enters Jannah. (Reported by Ibn- Khuzaimah)

**Zaka-tul-Fitr** is a special charity compulsory on every Muslim - male and female. It should be paid during Ramadan or at the latest before Eid prayer. The amount of Zaka-tul-Fitr this year is \$8.00 per individual in the household.

**Intentionally breaking the fast** (without medical reason) for even one day cannot be compensated even if one fasts for the rest of one's life. However to get the sin of breaking the fast to be forgiven, the penalty (Kaffarah) is fasting for two consecutive months, if one cannot fast then feeding sixty deserving persons (each person receiving the equivalent of an average meal). The number of expiations is equal to the number of days wherein the fast was broken.

**Exemptions** from fasting are granted to travelers, sick people, pregnant and nursing mothers. However such persons must make up for the days of fasting missed.

**Special features of Ramadân include:**

1. Doors of Heaven are opened.
2. Devils are chained.
3. Doors of Hell are closed
4. Multiplication of Reward:  $1 \times 10 \times 70 = 700$  and more based on sincerity and devotion to Allah.
5. Lala-tul-Qadr in one of the odd nights of last ten days i.e. 21<sup>st</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup>
6. Umrah during this month is equal to performing Hajj with Rasullallah himself.
7. Sadaqah-tul-Fitr (also called Zaka-tul-Fitr) during the month of Ramadhan before Eid Prayers

**To gain maximum reward (700 times) and establish the 3<sup>rd</sup> Pillar of Islam, we encourage you to calculate and pay Zakat-tul-Maal in the month of Ramadan. To help you calculate Zakat-tul-Maal please download The Zakatul Maal Short Form from [www.isgh.org](http://www.isgh.org) or [al-quraan.org](http://al-quraan.org)**