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GOOD WISHES FOR HAPPY SPRING HOLIDAYS :

Almost every day of the year someone in some country is celebrating a holiday. Here are a few for March and April.

- **Purim** (*Begins at Sundown**) : March 20

Purim is the most festive of Jewish holidays , a time of prizes, noisemakers, costumes and treats. The Festival of Purim commemorates a major victory over oppression and is recounted in the *Megillah*, the scroll of the story of Esther .



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- Good Friday: March 21
- Baha'i New Year (Naw Ruz): March 21
- **Easter**: Sunday, March 23

The *egg*, the symbol of fertility and new life, is the most identifiable. The customs and traditions of using eggs have been associated with Easter for centuries.

Different cultures have developed their own ways of decorating Easter eggs. Crimson eggs, to honor the blood of Christ, are exchanged in Greece. In parts of Germany and Austria green eggs are used on Maundy Thursday (Holy Thursday). Slavic peoples decorate their eggs in special patterns of gold and silver. Austrian artists design patterns by fastening ferns and tiny plants around the eggs, which are then boiled. The plants are then removed revealing a striking white pattern. The Poles and Ukrainians decorate eggs with simple designs and colors. A number of eggs are made in the distinctive manner called *pysanki* (to design, to write).

- April Fool's Day: April 1
- **Passover** (*Begins at Sundown**) : April 19
- Earth Day: April 22
- Eastern Orthodox Easter: Sunday, April 27