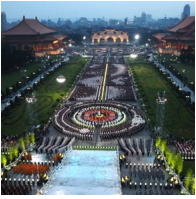


## Honoring Buddha Day, Mother's Day, and Tzu Chi Day

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On Sunday, May 8, Tzu Chi will held “Buddha Day Ceremony” worldwide to celebrate the Buddha Day, Mother’s Day, and Tzu Chi Day. The origin of the annual celebration of the three occasions on the second Sunday of May dates back to 1996, the year of Tzu Chi's 30th anniversary.

Let’s come together to purify our minds and hearts on this special day, and to express our deepest gratitude to Buddha, our parents and all sentient beings.

### Prayer for Buddha Day

*In these times of chaos and unrest  
when people’s minds are out of harmony  
and calamities occur even more frequently,□  
we pray that the Buddha's compassion in us  
safeguards all living beings on Earth  
and brings hope and light to the world.  
We pray that life’s truth guides people  
to develop wisdom and create blessings.  
We pray that  
religious practitioners and all the people  
help to alleviate suffering  
and bring auspiciousness to this world.  
On this day, we celebrate the Buddha's birthday by  
repaying the Buddha’s kindness with sincere piety  
and praying for a peaceful world.  
We repay the love of our parents  
by seizing every moment  
to be filial and to do good.  
We pray that the minds of all people be purified,  
all societies be harmonious,  
and the world be free of disaster.  
We pray for people around the world  
to have virtues and abundant blessings□  
and to live in peace and safety.*