

Inti Raymi is a traditional religious ceremony of the ancient Inca Empire, in honour of the sun god "Inti".

It takes place in Peru on June 24th every year.

It was created to celebrate the new year in the Andes and in ancient times it was a 9 day festival full of colourful dances and processions, as well as animal sacrifices to ensure a good harvest.

The festival was banned after Peru was colonised by the Catholic Spanish in 1535.

It's still celebrated every year by indigenous groups and involves music, colourful costumes and the sharing of food.