

How To Become A Pastafarian

Pastafarianism is the world's fastest growing carbohydrate based religion. The following tips will enable you to worship and love the Flying Spaghetti Monster.

[1] **Learn about Pastafarianism and study their sacred texts.** Pastafarians believe in the gospel of the Flying Spaghetti Monster.

[2] **Understand why The Church of the FSM was founded.** It was created in 2005 by Bobby Henderson *as a satirical protest to the decision by the Kansas State Board of Education to require the teaching of intelligent design (creationism) as an alternative to biological evolution in schools.*

[3] **Learn about the basic Pastafarian beliefs** (pirates as divine beings, our heaven having a beer volcano and stripper factory, etc).

[4] **At every available opportunity, talk like and or dress as a pirate.** You should do this especially if you are going to be preaching his word.

[5] **Choose which Pastafarian sect suits you.** For example: you could become an Orthodox Pastafarian or a Reformed Pastafarian.

[6] **Learn and celebrate all the holidays in the Pastafarian religion.** The most basic are every Friday (The Sabbath), and 'Talk Like a Pirate Day' (which is on the 19th September)

Meanwhile A student has been suspended from school in America for coming to class dressed as a pirate. But the disciplinary action has provoked controversy – because the student says that the ban violates his rights. The student stated that he follows the Pastafarian religion, and that as a crucial part of his faith, he must wear 'full pirate regalia' as prescribed in the holy texts of Pastafarianism. The school, however, say that his pirate outfit was disruptive.

Pastafarians follow the Flying Spaghetti Monster and believe that the world was created by the touch of his noodly appendage. Furthermore, they acknowledge pirates as being 'absolute divine beings', and stress that the worldwide decline in the number of pirates has directly led to global warming.

Pastafarianism gained wide attention when its key prophet, Bobby Henderson, wrote to the Kansas School Board during the height of the controversy over 'Intelligent Design' (creationism) being taught in science classes. His letter, demanded equal time be given to the teachings of the Flying Spaghetti Monster as was given to creationism and evolutionary theory.

Since then, the Flying Spaghetti Monster has gained countless followers worldwide, although there are those who remain spagnostic.