

## **ASTROLOGY: Planetary Event Calendar for November, 2020**

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**Here are the key astrological events in November when the Sun, Moon and planets are forming significant aspects to each other:**

**Ever wonder why the Founding Fathers made election day the first Tuesday in November?** Ben Franklin, who knew astrology, must have had a say in the matter. Every year, on the first Tuesday of November, the Sun will be somewhere between 9 and 16 degrees of Scorpio (where the Sun is from Nov 1-Nov 7<sup>th</sup>). The USA's natal Sun is 13 degrees of Cancer (where the Sun is every July 4<sup>th</sup>). There's 120 degrees of separation between these degrees of Cancer and Scorpio (called a 'trine' aspect in astrology) which is very harmonious, a favorable blending of energies. The Founding Fathers wanted the energy of election day to draw on the energy of the USA's natal Sun (a symbol for the country itself) in a positive way, and vice-versa. So, every year during the first week of November, the transiting Sun makes its first 120 degree flowing trine angle to where it was on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**In astrology, Tuesday is ruled by the planet Mars**, the warrior planet that makes things happen. Maybe Ben Franklin hoped Mars would energize the electorate to get out and vote. This year, Mars is retrograde in its own sign of Aries on election day, and won't turn direct until November 14<sup>th</sup>.

Mercury, which has been retrograde, since October 14<sup>th</sup>, turns direct at 1 pm Eastern time on Election day. Mercury in Libra is in stressful aspect to Saturn in Capricorn from Nov 1-7<sup>th</sup>.

### **Some interesting facts:**

- 1) There has never been a US presidential election when both Mercury and Mars were retrograde.
- 2) Mars has been retrograde on election day 4 times in the past but never in its own sign of Aries.
- 3) The last time Mercury was retrograde on election day was Nov 7<sup>th</sup>, 2000 (Gore vs. Bush). Mercury was just turning direct and also in stressful aspect (opposition) to Saturn on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. There was confusion and chaos regarding

the 2000 election result and the final victor was ultimately decided by the Supreme Court.

- 4) The Moon is in Gemini on November 3<sup>rd</sup> in stressful aspect to Neptune in Pisces—a symbol of confusion, anxiety, uncertainty, fear. Gemini is the sign of the twins: do both candidates declare victory?
- 5) Mercury and Mars retrograde on election day probably means something similar to what happened in 2000 will happen again this year, or worse, with the Mars retrograde stirring up anger, frustration and possibly violence.
- 6) From October 28<sup>th</sup> until Nov 1, the Sun in Scorpio is in stressful aspect to Uranus in Taurus. Uranus is the planet of surprises, shocks, unexpected events that are game-changers. A last-minute shocking revelation about one of the candidates hits the news?

#### **Key days in November after the 3<sup>rd</sup>:**

1. Nov 7-11: Sun in positive aspect to Neptune. Good time to pray!
2. **Nov 12<sup>th</sup>: Jupiter conjuncts Pluto in Capricorn** for the third and final time this year. This is a good aspect and helps to mitigate the harsh energy of the Saturn/Pluto conjunction in effect all this year (and next). Jupiter brings justice, peace, fairness, and wise decisions. So good to see this aspect happening in the sky right after the election.
3. Nov 13-20<sup>th</sup>: Venus in Libra in stressful aspect to Pluto and Saturn. In general, Venus rules love and money. Not good days for major purchases or making emotional commitments.
4. **Nov 14<sup>th</sup>: Mars turn direct.** Clarity about election results starts to emerge.
5. **Nov 15: New Moon at 23 Scorpio occurs at 12:07 am in Myrtle Beach.** Align your New Moon wishes to the archetype of Scorpio: letting go of old emotional patterns we have outgrown; embrace psychological and spiritual transformation. Be the beautiful butterfly emerging from the cocoon.
6. Nov 15-18<sup>th</sup>: Mercury in stressful aspect to Uranus. Again, expect the unexpected. Mercury: the news.
7. **Nov 30: Lunar eclipse at the Full Moon at 8 Gemini.** Neptune squares the Lunar Nodes: a global sense of angst and uncertainty hangs over the planet as a result of Covid 19 and political crises.