

Epicurus' Birthday 2023 - (The Most Comprehensive Picture Yet!)

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This is slightly off topic, but wondering ...since they used a lunar calendar...what phase of the moon would it be on the evening of the Twentieth, on each month?

Months of the Attic calendar were *supposed* to begin with New Moons.

Names of the days of the month

| Moon waxing | Moon full | Moon waning |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| new moon | 11th | later 10th |
| 2nd waxing | 12th | 9th waning |
| 3rd waxing | 13th | 8th waning |
| 4th waxing | 14th | 7th waning |
| 5th waxing | 15th | 6th waning |
| 6th waxing | 16th | 5th waning |
| 7th waxing | 17th | 4th waning |
| 8th waxing | 18th | 3rd waning |
| 9th waxing | 19th | 2nd waning |
| 10th waxing | earlier 10th | old and new [moon] |

The 20th would *usually* host the beginning of a *waning gibbous* moon:

