

AUGUST

1 LAMMAS

First of the harvest festivals.
Summer transitions toward fall.



24 BARTLEMAS

St. Bartholomew, patron saint of bookbinders, papermakers & printers: His day brings the traditional WAYZGOOSE celebration, marking the day each waning summer when printers resumed setting type by lamplight.



6 ARRIVAL OF THE SHAKERS IN AMERICA

It's the Glorious Sixth for our friends at the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Community in Maine.

13-16 OBON

Summer festival of Japan honoring the dead with food, music & dancing, concluding as the ancestors return to their distant shore as illuminated lanterns set sail on the water

15 FERRAGOSTO,

ASSUMPTION OF THE VIRGIN MARY
In Italy, most will close up shop and head to the sea for Ferragosto, as the Dog Days of Summer conclude.

28 ST. AUGUSTINE'S DAY

Patron saint of brewers.
Huzzah & cheers!

SUMMER DAYS. The two little girls are my mom and my aunt, eating sandwiches with my grandma in their Brooklyn backyard, circa 1930. And my aunt got to go to Coney Island with the neighbor, Maman.

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