

LAMMAS

Traditional early harvest festival; with Lammas, summer begins its transition toward fall.

ARRIVAL OF THE SHAKERS IN AMERICA It's the Glorious Sixth for our friends at Chosen Land, the Sabbathday Lake Shaker Community in Maine. It's the day that commemorates the arrival in 1774 of their founder Mother Ann Lee and her small band of followers in America.

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This summer festival of Japan honors the dead with food, music, and dancing, concluding with the ancestors returning to their distant shore in the form of illuminated lanterns sailing across the water. Some prefectures celebrate in July, but most celebrate in August.

ASSUMPTION OF MARY, FERRAGOSTO It's the height of the summer holiday in Italy; most folks close up shop and head for the sea. It's a tradition that dates back to ancient Rome. The *Dog Days of Summer* come to a close today, as well.

BARTLEMAS WAYZGOOSE

St. Bartholomew is a patron saint of bookbinders, and he's important to papermakers and printers, too. His feast day, known as Bartlemas, brings the traditional Wayzgoose celebration, marking the day each waning summer when printers in England resumed setting type by the light of lanterns.

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ST. AUGUSTINE'S DAY St. Augustine is a patron saint of printers and of brewers, too. Huzzah and cheers!



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Scenes from our printshop. Join us at the online Jaffe Center for Book Arts' Library Wayzgoose Festival from wherever you are on Monday, August 24 at 7 PM Eastern (and afterward, too)! Watch our blog & social media pages (@conviviobookworks) for video links & watch parties. It'll be great fun! © Convivio Book of Days August 2020