FEBRUARY

IMBOLC, ST. BRIGID'S DAY, CANDLEMAS EVE
We step onto the bridge from winter to
spring: it's 40 days past Christmas and
about halfway between winter solstice
and vernal equinox. Remove tonight any
yuletide greenery still in your home.

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CANDLEMAS, GROUNDHOG DAY
Light all the lamps at sunset.
A traditional weather marker:
If the sun shines bright on Candlemas Day,
The Half of the winter's not yet away.

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St. Blaise protects against maladies of the throat.

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ST. AGATHA'S DAY

Nuns in Sicily today bake special marzipan pastries known as *minne di vergine*, while giant towers are carried through the streets of Catania, Italy.

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LANTERN FESTIVAL Concludes Chinese Lunar New Year.

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ST. VALENTINE'S DAY
A day for romance.
Where love takes root, let it grow.



Winter white: Amazon Lilies abloom in our yard this month.

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PRESIDENT'S DAY
February brings the birthdays of
Presidents Washington and Lincoln.

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CONCORDIA

An Ancient Roman feast of goodwill in which family and friends gather for a meal and settle all disputes.

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The largest street painting festival in the world is right here in our hometown. Each February, artists turn downtown streets into canvases that last only until the next rainfall.

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ASH WEDNESDAY Lent begins.



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