

JUNE



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ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA'S DAY

Sacred to Italy.
Italian grandmothers
will offer novenas today.

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FLAG DAY

Commemorates the adoption
of the Stars & Stripes as the
official flag of the USA.

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BLOOMSDAY

A literary holiday derived from
James Joyce's novel *Ulysses*.
The day commemorates Leopold
Bloom's adventures through the
City of Dublin, June 16, 1904.

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FATHER'S DAY

We honor and cherish
today all our fathers:
those given and those
chosen.

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SUMMER SOLSTICE

12:24 AM IN LAKE WORTH

It's the longest day of
the year: start of summer,
by the almanac, in the
Northern Hemisphere.

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JUNETEENTH

It's the 152nd anniversary of this
hard-earned freedom celebration
reminding us to never become
complacent about our liberties.

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FESTA DEI GIGLI (FEAST OF THE LILIES)

On this feast day of St. Paulinus,
huge decorated towers are paraded
and danced upon the shoulders of
men through the Italian city of Nola.

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ST. JOHN'S EVE

Midsummer revels begin on
this magical night of bonfires,
feasting, storytelling, and
divination. This is the very
night of Shakespeare's
A Midsummer Night's Dream.

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ST. JOHN'S DAY / OLD MIDSUMMER

Summer may have just begun by the almanac, but traditionally
it begins at the start of May with May Day, making the solstice,
when the sun is at the height of its northern strength, summer's
natural midpoint. Thus the Solstice and St. John's Day are
linked through the ages as "Old Midsummer."

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EID AL-FITR BEGINS AT SUNDOWN

Feasting concludes Ramadan,
the month of fasting, which
begins with the sighting of
the new crescent moon.



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Images: One of our native Florida plants, *Zamia integrifolia*, best known by its Seminole name, the Coontie. It's June and the tired old plants are all renewed with fresh green growth... even the ones we thought were long dead. The plant is a bit magical in this way. It's also the source of arrowroot, which comes from the starchy root of the plant. Pictured are the leaves and the cones on a couple of the Coonties growing in our Lake Worth yard.

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