

# JUNE

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ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA'S DAY

Sacred to Italy. Italian grandmothers will be lighting candles today; some have been offering prayers since the month began.

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FLAG DAY

The Stars & Stripes was adopted as the flag of the United States on this day in 1777.

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BLOOMSDAY

Literary holiday based on the James Joyce novel *Ulysses*, marking Leopold Bloom's journey through Dublin on the 16th of June, 1904.

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JUNETEENTH

This African American freedom celebration began on June 19, 1865, in Texas. The hope for equality continues to do this day. How is it that 155 years later we still can't reach a place of respect for all people?

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SUMMER SOLSTICE 5:44 PM IN LAKE WORTH

The moment when the sun reaches its highest point at the Tropic of Cancer is the start of summer in the Northern Hemisphere. It is our longest day and shortest night.



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FATHER'S DAY

We honor and cherish today our fathers—those who were given to us and those we have chosen.

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ST. JOHN'S EVE

An old celebration by night of bonfires, feasting, divination, and storytelling. It's a fine night to read or watch William Shakespeare's comedy, *A Midsummer Night's Dream*.

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ST. JOHN'S DAY; OLD MIDSUMMER

Summer has just begun by the almanac, but by traditional reckoning of time we have reached midsummer, for now sunlight begins to wane.



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Our corner cupboard in the kitchen is ready for midsummer! Our tableau features the new handmade Swedish Midsommar Maypole from our Convivio by Mail Catalog.  
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