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ALL FOOLS' DAY

Tricks and practical jokes until noon.

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The triumphant entry into Jerusalem of Jesus upon a donkey begins Holy Week.

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Commemorates the freeing of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt.

HOLY THURSDAY, MAUNDY THURSDAY

Tradition would have us visit three churches tonight, to sit in the close and holy darkness.

GOOD FRIDAY

A solemn day of prayer & fasting as we remember the Passion of Christ.

EASTER SUNDAY

Highest holy day of the Christian calendar. Easter continues to Pentecost in May.

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In the Islamic calendar, Ramadan concludes with the Sweet Festival. St. Jacinto's Day brings a springtime excuse to drink egnog!

Springtime blossoms fall and drift like snow.

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Sacred to England, where folks wear red roses today in their lapels.

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ST. MARK'S EVE

Traditional night for divination, particularly in matters of romance.

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ST. MARK'S DAY

Blessings upon the newly sown crops, as migratory birds herald summer's return.

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MAY EVE, WALPURGIS NIGHT

Folks have been known to stay out all night on this Eve of May to welcome summer. It is the festival of the dead in Spain and Portugal, and in Germany, it is Walpurgisnacht. In Scandinavia, this is a night for bonfires, gravlax, and sparkling wine.



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