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PENTECOST

The Easter season closes today with Pentecost, or Whitsunday, a day of spirit and inspiration: Holy Spirit come to earth.

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ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA'S DAY

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

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FLAG DAY

The Stars and Stripes was adopted as the banner 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 this day in 1904.

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JUNETEENTH, FATHER'S DAY

This African American celebration dates to June 19, 1865, when enslaved people in Texas received news of their emancipation. And we honor and cherish today our fathers: those we were given, and those we have chosen.



The midsummer marriage of Oberon & Titania

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MIDSUMMER SOLSTICE

5:13 AM IN LAKE WORTH

Summer begins in the Northern Hemisphere, as the sun reaches its highest point at the Tropic of Cancer, creating our longest day, shortest night.

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ST. JOHN'S EVE

An old celebration of outdoor revels with fireside storytelling, divination, and feasting. William Shakespeare found it a most auspicious time for midsummer night's dreaming.

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ST. JOHN'S DAY, OLD MIDSUMMER

Summer has just begun by the almanac, but it is midsummer by traditional reckoning of time, for now daily sunlight begins to wane.



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St. John's Eve at solstice time brings the magic of Old Midsummer Night and all its dreaming. "The Marriage of Oberon and Titania," from William Shakespeare's *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, was painted by John Anster Fitzgerald, circa late 19th or early 20th century. Convivio Book of Days June 2022.