



February

The cold of winter lingers but the wheel of the year already is shifting toward spring and new growth. Valentine's Day makes love a big theme of the month... these are valentines our niece Isabella made for us when she was five.

1 IMBOLC, ST. BRIGID'S DAY

In traditional reckoning of time, this is the day when winter begins to give way to spring: we have reached the halfway point between winter solstice and vernal equinox in the Northern Hemisphere.

2 CANDLEMAS, GROUNDHOG DAY

It is traditional to light every lamp in the house, even for a few moments, at sunset. A traditional weather marker:

*If the sun shines bright on Candlemas Day,
The half of the winter's not yet away.*

This is in agreement with Groundhog Day predictions.

3 ST. BLAISE'S DAY

Protector against maladies of the throat.

14 ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

Where love takes root, let it grow.

It's also **LANTERN FESTIVAL**

Concludes the Chinese Lunar New Year festivities.

A Valentine meal featuring dumplings would be ideal!

15 CARNEVALE BEGINS IN VENICE

It's the annual celebration marking the days leading up to Lent, celebrated with great gusto throughout Italy and other countries... but especially in Venezia.

17 PRESIDENTS DAY

22 CONCORDIA

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

22 & 23 LAKE WORTH STREET PAINTING FESTIVAL

This year it's the 20th annual celebration. Artists turn the streets of Downtown Lake Worth into beautiful canvases that last only until the next rainfall.

*Where love takes root let it grow.
For no kind of love is better than others.*



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