



February

Love is found sometimes in the most unexpected places.

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

St. Blaise protects against maladies of the throat.

14 ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

Where love takes root, let it grow.

16 PRESIDENTS DAY

Does anyone else miss celebrating good old Washington's Birthday and Lincoln's Birthday?

17 MARDI GRAS: CARNEVALE CONCLUDES

Fat Tuesday in New Orleans, Mobile, Key West, Venezia and other convivial towns.

It's also **SHROVE TUESDAY**

Pancakes for supper!

18 ASH WEDNESDAY: LENT BEGINS

Remember man that thou are dust and to dust you shall return. Be kind then. Respect others. Engage life.

19 CHINESE LUNAR NEW YEAR BEGINS

It's the Year of the Goat.

21 & 22 LAKE WORTH STREET PAINTING FESTIVAL

Our 21st annual celebration. Artists turn the streets of Downtown Lake Worth into beautiful canvases that last only until the next rainfall.

22 CONCORDIA

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

February opens with the annual celebration of Carnevale in countries throughout the world, culminating in Mardi Gras... before we shift to the more solemn days of Lent: our annual spring cleanse, of sorts, as the wheel of the year begins its shift away from winter.



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