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Pumpkins and squashes: A most magical harvest!

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Feast of the Guardian Angels

This ancient celebration of the angels in our lives dates to the Fourth Century.

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Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

While you are proclaiming peace with your lips, be careful to have it even more fully in your heart.

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St. Denis' Day

Sacred to France and especially to Paris.

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Indigenous Peoples' Day

Celebrates Native American peoples and their rich and varied cultures.

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St. Luke's Day

Luke is a patron saint of artists.

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Apple Tuesday

Ralph Waldo Emerson considered the apple our national fruit, and this holiday honoring it began in 1904 as Apple Day; it falls each autumn (like the leaves) on the Third Tuesday of October.

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Hallowe'en, Samhain

Mystery prevails on this autumnal night, ushering in our season of remembrance. Celtic Samhain lore suggests that here, at the crossroads to winter, the veil separating the mystical and earthly worlds is at its most permeable, leading us to All Saints Day (All Hallows) on the First of November and All Souls Day on the Second: *Día de Los Muertos*. This is Hallowtide, the Days of the Dead when we lovingly call to mind all who have come and gone before us. The season concludes with Martinmas on November 11.



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Pumpkin fields always, to me, speak of possibility. The possibility of a good story and of things I can't even conjure on my own. I just know they're out there somewhere amongst those many-lobed gourds. Let's go find them! Convivio Book of Days October 2026