

Thoughts on Halloween 2024

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I thought about playing a benign trick on the kids – after all, who made the rule it has to be one-sided? To that end, I remembered someone [wrapping Brussels sprouts in golden candy paper](#), and while I thought that was funny, most kids who will ring at my door bell live below the official poverty line, which just makes it mean...

I'll probably do the same as every year: Mute the doorbell, write a letter to lost loved ones, and watch a heartwarming show with a side of comfort food. That doesn't perpetuate supernatural beliefs, and yet it doesn't leave unused a "special day", as I enjoy having the year structured, having recurring events, and self-chosen symbolic behaviours, and in that process, it often helps me to recycle dates that already exist: The stores get redecorated, society talks about the upcoming event, and even though for them these signs mean "hand out or collect candy" and for me they mean something else, even though that is the case, it still allows me to experience all the same anticipation – I enjoy that quite a bit! 😊 (With Easter, Christmas, New Year's and three other dates, I am happier to pretend they don't exist, happier to keep them out of my mind, as much as I possibly can.)