ADVENT CALENDAR 2025

JESUITS IN BRITAIN

As we journey through this season, let us notice God at work in the ordinary moments of our days. In prayer, acts of kindness, and time with others, may we grow in hope and prepare to welcome Christ with joy.

November 30

Advent Psalms: Audio Retreat for Advent
Pray As You Go | Starts Nov 28
Each week pray with a different Psalm
Listen

Advent Online Retreat
Ignatian Spirituality Centre
Receive material for daily prayer | Join

Advent Retreat in Daily Life
London Jesuit Centre | Online, 6 days
Book

Edinburgh Jesuit Church Carol Service (with SCIAF)
Church of the Sacred Heart (Edinburgh)
4pm

December 1

JRS UK Advent Service
Farm Street Church (London)
Online or in-person at 7pm, followed by a reception | Join online | Learn more

Contemplate Campion Hall's painting
Christ Blessing
Ashmolean Museum | December
The rediscovered masterpiece offers a reflective way to prepare for Christ's coming | Learn more | Watch video

December 2

Schola Winter Concert
St Aloysius College (Glasgow) | 6pm

Advent Vespers (Evening Prayer)
Holy Name Church (Manchester)
Every Tuesday (2, 9, 16) at 5pm

Tuesday Series "What can politics learn from theology"
Oxford University Catholic Chaplaincy
Blue Room | 8pm

Small Faith Sharing Groups for Advent
Ogilvie Centre (Glasgow)
Every Tuesday (2, 9, 16) after the 12.15 Mass and repeated in the evening at 6pm

December 3

'Imagine' Online Guided Prayer
Jesuit Institute | 8pm | Book

December 4

Reflections on Cop30
Online or in-person (London Jesuit Centre)
3-4pm | Panel discussion hosted by the London Jesuit Centre and Jesuit Missions.
Book

December 5

Jesuit Missions Jubilee Mass
Farm Street Church (London) | 6pm
Mass celebrating 45 years of Jesuit Missions, followed by a reception | Join

Southall Christmas Procession
Churches Together for Southall | From 4pm
An ecumenical celebration with carols from Southall Church of God, past St Anselm's Catholic Church, to St George's Anglican Church

Advent Day of Prayer
Ignatian Spirituality Centre (Glasgow)
Online and in-person 10am-4.30pm
Book

December 6

Jesuit Young Adult Ministries (YAM) Christmas Party
Farm Street Church (London)
For young adults (18-35) | 6-9pm

Advent Rorate Mass
Sacred Heart Church (Edinburgh)
Every Saturday (6, 13, 20) at 8am

World Aids Day Mass
Farm Street Church (London)
3 pm | Homily by Cardinal Timothy Radcliffe OP, with the presence of the Lord Mayor of the City of Westminster, Clr Paul Dimoldenberg | Learn more

December 7

Christingle Mass
St Wilfrid's Parish (Preston) | 10:15am

Coffee & Carols
The Ogilvie Centre (Glasgow)
An event of St Aloysius Church. 3.30-5pm

December 8

Preparation for Christmas Retreat
St Beuno's Jesuit Spirituality Centre (North Wales) | 4 days Book

December 9

St Aloysius' Senior School Carol Service
St Aloysius Church (Glasgow) | 6pm

St Ignatius College Carol Service
St Ignatius College (Enfield) | 5.30pm | Book

December 10

Stonyhurst Association Carol Service
St Peter's Church (Clitheroe) | 3pm

Christmas Carols by Candlelight
Holy Name Church (Manchester) | 7pm

December 11

Farm Street Church Carol Service
Farm Street Church (London) | 7pm
It will be followed by refreshments in the Arrupe Hall

Dunhead Festival of Carols and Readings
Dunhead Preparatory School | 4.30pm
Sacred Heart Church, Wimbledon

December 12

The Nightmare Before Christmas
Wimbledon College Production
Wimbledon College Hall | 7pm
If you'd like to buy a ticket but do not have a child at the school, please email: paola.cray@wimbledoncollege.org.uk

Carols by Candlelight for Old Ignatians
St Ignatius College (Enfield) | 6-9pm
Book

Last day to sign-up for the Hybrid Spiritual Exercises 2026
Jesuit Institute | Apply today

YAM Carol Concert
Farm Street Church (London) | 7pm

December 13

Liturgy of Anointing
St Aloysius Church (Glasgow) | 12.15 pm

December 14

Bambinelli Sunday
St Wilfrid's Parish (Preston) |10:15am Mass
Gaudete Sunday Celebration in the Parish Centre will take place after Mass

St Wilfrid's Carol Service
St Wilfrid's Parish (Preston) | 6.30pm

December 15

Songs for Ukraine Christmas Concert
Farm Street Church (London) 7.30pm
A charitable Christmas concert featuring Ukrainian and British music
Take part / support

December 16

Christmas Food Bank Collection
St Anselm's Church (Southall)
From December 1-16, collect food items in a bag or box to create a Christmas Hamper. Hand it to the Parish for distribution by the Food Bank on December 16th

December 17

St Aloysius' Junior School Carol Service
St Aloysius Church (Glasgow) | 2pm

Candlelit Carol Service
Wimbledon College & Ursulines | 8pm
Sacred Heart Church (Wimbledon)

December 19

Nativity & Carols
St Anselm's Church (Southall) | 6.30pm

St Aloysius End of Term Carol Service
St Aloysius Church (Glasgow) | 11:20am

December 20

Talia: Christmas by Candlelight
Farm Street Church (London) | 7.30-9pm
Book

December 21

St Aloysius Church Carol Service
St Aloysius Church (Glasgow) | 4pm

December 24

Christmas Eve
Join your local parish as we welcome the light of Christ.
Find a Jesuit parish close to you

25 December

Christmas Day
Wishing you a blessed and joyful Christmas.
Find a Jesuit parish close to you

OTHER RESOURCES

Will you write a Christmas Card to someone in detention?
jrsuk.net/news/will-you-write-a-christmas-card-to-someone-in-detention/

Give to the Jesuit Missions' Campaign in Hope Campaign
jesuitmissions.org.uk/campaign-in-hope-campaign-2025?

Gift-Giving: A Prayer of Review
jesuitinstitute.org/mysterybox-giving

Watch a short film from the Laudato Si' Research Institute on hope, renewal, and care for creation
lri.campion.ox.ac.uk/news/faith-ecology-hope

Praying with Refugees
jrsuk.net/praying-with-refugees/

Advent Resources from *Thinking Faith*
thinkingfaith.org/topic/advent

St Beuno's Garden and Grounds Appeal
beunos.com/about-us/garden-and-grounds

'Book of Nature' Practice for Advent, an ecological-themed prayer exercise from the Jesuit Institute
jesuitinstitute.org/news/windows-of-connection

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