



# Experience Christchurch this Winter

No matter what you are interested in, there's something for everyone.

## Shows and Pantomimes

### CHRISTCHURCH PRIORY

**G4 2026 Christmas Preview Show**  
Sat 7 November, 7:30pm

### THE REGENT

**The Nutcracker**  
Royal Ballet & Opera 26/27  
Tues 1 Dec & Tue 15 Dec, Various Times

**Andre Rieu's 2026 Christmas Concert: Let It Snow**  
Sat 5 Dec & Sun 13 Dec, Various Times

**Cinderella Christmas Pantomime**  
Sat 12 Dec - Wed 30 Dec, Various Times  
Cinderella at The Regent is the perfect festive treat for the whole family so don't leave it until the clock strikes midnight to book your seats for the best ever panto in Christchurch.

**New Year's Eve 2026 – Dirty Dancing**  
Thurs 31 Dec, 9:45pm

## Christchurch Party Venues

**Captains Club Hotel & Spa**  
Selected Dates, 7pm - 12am  
[captainsclubhotel.com](http://captainsclubhotel.com)

**Ye Olde George Inn**  
For bottomless brunches to pre bookable Christmas Packages, look no further than the oldest pun in town.

Check out:  
**Eighteen • Thomas Tripp • Dirtie Girties**  
**The Snug • The Priory Restaurant**  
**The Dome • SoHo • Mela**  
**Meram Kitchen • The Ship • Arcado**  
**Masla Bay • The Boathouse**  
for great vibes this Christmas & New Year

Wine Experiences of all varieties will be at the following locations:  
**Bacello • Bodega**  
**Bonafide Wine • Majestic Wine**  
Keep an eye out on our live events calendar for event information:  
[christchurchbid.co.uk/events-calendar](http://christchurchbid.co.uk/events-calendar)

## Winter What's On Guide 2026/27

## Free Family Fun

**Christchurch Town Council Light Switch On**  
Sat 28 November, 2:30 - 6:30pm  
[christchurch-tc.gov.uk/council\\_events](http://christchurch-tc.gov.uk/council_events)

**Christchurch Rotary Christmas Living Advent Calendar**  
Tues 1 - Sat 19 December  
[christchurchlivingadventcalendar.org.uk](http://christchurchlivingadventcalendar.org.uk)

**Free Parking Saturdays with Christchurch Town Council and Christchurch Chamber**  
Sat 28 November & Sat 5 December, 24 hours from 8am  
Free parking in selected car parks.

**Christchurch BID Elf Hunt**  
Sat 5 - Sat 19 December  
10 mischievous elves are hidden in Christchurch Town Centre, they have stolen letters which will save Christmas, can you find them all to be in for a chance to win a prize?  
Launching at 12 pm on Saturday 5th December with lots of free family fun!

**Christmas Jumper Day with Pro2col**  
Thurs 10 December, 11am - 1pm  
Saxon Square  
With carols from Pro2col and BID Business Elf Games

**Christchurch BID Carols in the Square with Christchurch Baptist Church**  
Sat 12 December, 4:30 - 5:30pm  
Join us for a festive singalong in Saxon Square. Accompanied by the brilliant Christchurch Baptist Church live band.  
Visit [christchurchbid.co.uk/event](http://christchurchbid.co.uk/event) or Facebook events for more information.

## Christchurch Fayres & Crafting

**Christchurch Priory Parish Christmas Fayre & Craft Market**  
Sat 21 November, from 10:30am

**Red House Museum Christmas Rag Wreath Workshop**  
Sun 8 November, 1:30 - 3:30pm  
A relaxed and creative festive workshop where you'll learn how to make your very own charming rag wreath. The perfect handmade touch for your home or a thoughtful gift!

**Christchurch Library Polar Express Display**  
Sat 19 December - Sat 2 January  
Polar Express display for all to enjoy along with Snow Globes and Nativity Bell Crafts.

**Free Range Cracker Company Luxury Cracker Workshops**  
Selected Dates, 5 - 7pm  
Email: [freerangecrackers@hotmail.com](mailto:freerangecrackers@hotmail.com)  
Enjoy two hours of joyful festive cracker making.

**Captains Club Hotel & Spa Wreath Making Workshop**  
Sun 29 November, 1:30 - 3:30pm  
[captainsclubhotel.wearegifted.co.uk/christmas-wreath-making-workshop](http://captainsclubhotel.wearegifted.co.uk/christmas-wreath-making-workshop)  
Enjoy a welcome drink and mince pie on arrival and then dive into some creative fun.

## Quiz Nights

**Arcado Lounge**  
Every Monday from 8pm

**The Ship**  
Wednesdays on various dates

**The Snug**  
Wednesdays on various dates

**Thomas Tripp**  
First Wednesday of the month

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For a full program of events and performers visit our website:  
[christchurchbid.co.uk/christchurch-comedy-fringe](http://christchurchbid.co.uk/christchurch-comedy-fringe)

The Regent • The Ship • Ye Olde George Inn  
Thomas Tripp • The Snug • Pizza Express

#### VENUES:

From intimate emerging talent, gigs in bars, open mic nights,  
family comedy lunches to household names you may well  
know, all in iconic, traditional or unusual venues.

Canned laughter at the ready. The inaugural Christchurch  
Comedy Fringe, celebrating the ever growing Christchurch  
comedy scene, is planned for January 2027.

**Some say this used to be the saddest  
week of the year! Not anymore!**

**Monday 25th - Saturday 30th January**

## CHRISTCHURCH COMEDY FESTIVAL

Follow @ChristchurchBID for live updates

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### More Winter Events...

- PARTIES
- QUIZ'S
- CRAFTING
- TRAILS

**Join us in Christchurch  
this Winter! Enjoy festive  
favorites, warm & cosy  
evenings, quizzes, comedy,  
and discover your new  
favourite venues.**

All of the events in this winter edition are  
a collaboration of events from multiple  
organisers to support local businesses and  
Christchurch Town Centre. Christchurch BID  
events are funded by local BID businesses &  
organised by the BID Managers.

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Immerse yourself in Christmas cheer at the Christmas Light Switch On,  
an evening of Carols in the Square, or spectacular shows at The Regent  
and The Priory Church.

Celebrate Christmas & see in the New Year at one of the many hotels,  
restaurants and bars. Chuckle your way to warmth this winter, support  
the BRAND NEW Christchurch Comedy Fringe this January!

*Peek inside for more unmissable events!*