





There's something about Christmas that speaks to us. Lights go up, songs play, and for a few short weeks even ordinary things feel lighter.

We all come to Christmas with expectations. Some look forward to familiar traditions or a bit of peace; others find the season harder, when life hasn't gone as wished for. Yet, we all seem to experience a sense of hope. At its heart, Christmas is about more than

decorations or goodwill. It's about hope entering the world in an unexpected way – a child born quietly, reminding us that God has not forgotten us.

That's why churches across our town gather to celebrate a gift meant for everyone.

Whether you've been part of church life for years, haven't been in ages, or have never quite been sure what you think – you are welcome.

Come and see what this story might still hold for you.

Calendar 2025

Friday 28 November

5.20 pm Christmas Light Switch-On Evening
St Peter's Square

Saturday 6 December

12.00 pm Ladies' Wreath-Making Lunch
Baptist Church

Sunday 7 December

10.00am Christingle
St. James' C of E Church

Sunday 14 December

6.30 pm Community Carols by Candlelight Evening
Baptist Church

6:30 pm Carol Service by Candlelight
St. James' C of E Church

Sunday 21 December

11:00 am Family Carol Service
Havant URC Church

10:00 am Carol Service
Methodist Church

11.00 am Carol Service
St. Thomas à Becket C of E Church

6.30 pm Blue Christmas Evening of Remembrance
Baptist Church

6:30 pm Carol Service by Candlelight
St. Thomas à Becket C of E Church

Christmas Eve, Wednesday 24 December

4:00 pm Christingle Service
Baptist Church

4:30 pm Crib Service (Children can come dressed up)
St. James' C of E Church

5:30 pm Vigil Mass (Carols at 5.00 pm),
Ss.Thomas' Catholic Church, Emsworth

6:30 pm Crib Service (Quieter and more reflective)
St. James' C of E Church

7:30 pm Vigil Mass (Carols at 7.00 pm),
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

9:00 pm Christmas Eve Communion,
Methodist Church

9:00 pm 'Midnight' Communion (for those who prefer not to be out too late)
St. Thomas à Becket C of E Church

10.00 pm Vigil Mass & Polish Msza
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

11:30 pm Midnight Communion
St. James' C of E Church

Christmas Day, Thursday 25 December

8:00 am Holy Communion
St. James' C of E Church

9:00 am Mass (Carols at 8.40 am)
Ss. Thomas' Catholic Church, Emsworth

10:00 am Christmas Day Celebration,
Methodist Church

10:00 am Celebration Service for All Ages
St. James' C of E Church

10:00 am Christmas Day Family Service
Baptist Church

10.00 am Christmas Carol Service
Havant URC Church

11:00 am Mass
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

11:00 am Christmas Service
St. Thomas à Becket C of E Church

1:00 pm Polish Msza
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

Friday 26 December (St Stephen's Day)

12.00 pm Mass
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

7:00 pm Polish Msza
St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Havant

Sunday 28th December

10.00 am End-of-Year Morning Gathering
Baptist Church

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