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Welcome to Christmas in Preston

As the holiday season approaches, there's an air of excitement in the heart of Preston. The streets are adorned with sparkling lights, and the sounds of joy and laughter fill the wintry air. It's that time of year when the city comes alive with the spirit of Christmas, and we're thrilled to have you with us.

This year's Christmas events in Preston promise to be nothing short of magical! Our line-up features a diverse array of festivities, from the highly-anticipated Christmas Lights Switch On, to Santa's Grotto, festive performances and Christmas Markets, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

As you explore the pages of this guide, you'll discover the incredible events that await you. It's a season of togetherness, joy and celebration, and we invite you to be a part of it.

We look forward to you joining us on this magical journey. As you feel the warmth from our other-worldly Fire Garden, get involved in the festivities and create memories together, know that you're part of something special - a community coming together to celebrate the most wonderful time of the year.

So, without further ado, we welcome you to Christmas in Preston!

*Warmest wishes and
happy holidays!*



To book tickets for any of our Christmas events, please visit:
[visitpreston.com/whats-on/Christmas-Events-in-Preston-2024](https://www.visitpreston.com/whats-on/Christmas-Events-in-Preston-2024)

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HALL OF FAME



100 GREATEST
ROCKERS OF ALL TIME
Rolling Stone

PRESTON'S

Christmas

**LIGHTS
SWITCH ON**

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER

**FLAG MARKET
PRESTON**
5:30PM - 7:45PM

**MIKEY
NORTH**
CORRIE
FAVOURITE

**RYLAND
PETTY**
AMERICA'S GOT
TALENT



CLUBLAND REBORN
THE UK'S ONLY CLUBLAND
LIVE BAND



**HEATWAVE'S - ROY
CARTER**
'BOOGIE NIGHTS', 'ALWAYS
AND FOREVER'



DO IT LIKE DUA
THE WORLD'S ULTIMATE
TRIBUTE TO DUA LIPA



HALFMARK
ONES TO
WATCH



KIMBERLEY FOX
PRESTON'S OWN



PLUS
SANTA, THE GRINCH & THE SPUD BROTHERS



Christmas Lights Switch On with Mickey and the Grinch

Fri, 22nd November | 3 - 5pm | Free

Join us for our annual Light Switch-On event, where you'll have the unforgettable opportunity to meet and greet two beloved characters: Mickey Mouse and the Grinch! Get ready to be amazed as Mickey and the Grinch join forces to switch on our dazzling Christmas lights.

1 Fishergate Shopping Centre



Christmas Lights Switch On

Sat, 23rd November | 5.30 - 8pm | Free

Preston is set to host another fantastic year for switching on the city centre Christmas Lights. Join Preston BID, Smooth Radio North West, and some very special guests, as they light up the city for Christmas 2024.

2 Flag Market



Live at the Guild Lounge

Fri, 6th December | 8pm | £17

Get ready to laugh your way into the weekend with an evening of the best in live comedy as we welcome Bare Faced Comedy Club to the Guild Lounge! Visit guildhallpreston.co.uk/guildlounge/Live-at-The-Guild-Lounge to get your tickets.

3 The Guild Lounge



Santa's Magical Toy Shop Grotto

Sat 7th - Tues 24th December | Various times | £13.95

Welcome to Santa's whimsical world of toys! Come and join Fishergate Shopping Centre for a magical Santa experience with their 'real deal' Santa Claus. Visit shopfishergate.co.uk/events/ to get your tickets.

1 Fishergate Shopping Centre



Fire Garden - Produced by Walk The Plank

Sat 7th & Sun 8th December | 5 - 7pm | Free

Dazzling fire sculptures transform Avenham and Miller Parks into a place of wonder and excitement. Be prepared to be enchanted as Preston's Fire Garden ignites the night. The Pavilion Café will be open for mulled wine and festive treats!

Visit eventbrite.com/cc/fire-garden-3707379 to select your timeslot and secure your tickets to Preston's FREE Fire Garden.

4 Avenham and Miller Parks



Preston Symphony Orchestra

Sat, 7th December | 12pm - 2pm | Free

We are delighted to be hosting Preston Symphony Orchestra's string quartet, on Saturday 7 December. Playing a mixture of Christmas carols and classic Christmas songs, within Preston Market Hall.

5 Preston Markets



One Night in Dublin

Fri, 13th December | 7.30pm | £28

Middi and his award winning tribute band cover all of your favourite Irish classics. Let them take you to 'Murphy's Pub' for two hours of music, songs and humour! Book your tickets online at guildhallpreston.com/guildlounge/One-Night-in-Dublin.

3 The Guild Lounge



Sherlock Holmes' Christmas Casebook

Thu, 12th December | 7.45 - 10.30pm | £10

Take a trip to Baker Street and spend Christmas with Sherlock Holmes in this engaging stage show starring award-winning actor Jonathan Goodwin. Visit newcontinental.net/events-list/sherlock-holmes-christmas to get your tickets.

6 The Continental

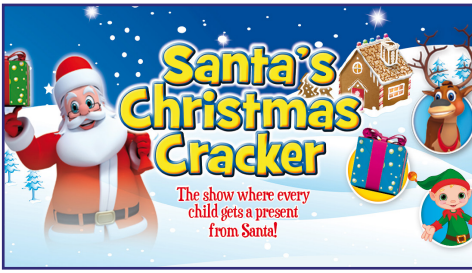


Horace's Merry Christmoose Craft

Sat, 14th December | 1 - 3pm | Free

Join The Harris for 'hands on' craft as we make handprint antler headbands, just like Horace, the Harris' famous elk. Come to the Guild Hall Arcade anytime between 1-3pm. Suitable for 4yrs+

7 Guild Hall Arcade



Santa's Christmas Cracker

Sat 14th - Tues 24th December |
Various times | £15

Join Father Christmas and friends for a fun, festive, musical adventure to discover the wonder of Christmas in the show where every child gets a present! Book your tickets online at guildhallpreston.com/guildlounge/Santas-Christmas-Cracker.

3 The Guild Lounge



Preston Makers Market

Sat 14th & 28th December | 10am - 4pm

Discover a treasure trove of unique holiday gifts and handcrafted items at the Makers Market. Support local artisans and find the perfect presents for loved ones.

2 Flag Market (Sat 14th)

8 Friargate (Sat 28th)



Carol Singers at Preston Markets

Sat, 14th December | 11am - 2.30pm |
Free

Feel all festive this season with a visit to Preston Markets to enjoy Victorian carol singers performing an array of traditional Christmas carols.

5 Preston Markets



Santa's Grotto

Sat, 14th December | 11am, 12pm, 1pm
& 2pm | Free

A free gift for every child as Santa returns to Preston Markets!

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Pub Party Christmas Special

Sat, 21st December | 7.30pm | £18

Join the Pub Party For a Christmas Special like no other. It's the ultimate feel good singing and stomping show as six talented locals belt out classic anthems - the perfect Christmas party! Visit guildhallpreston.co.uk/guildlounge/Pub-Party-Christmas-Special to get your tickets.

3 The Guild Lounge

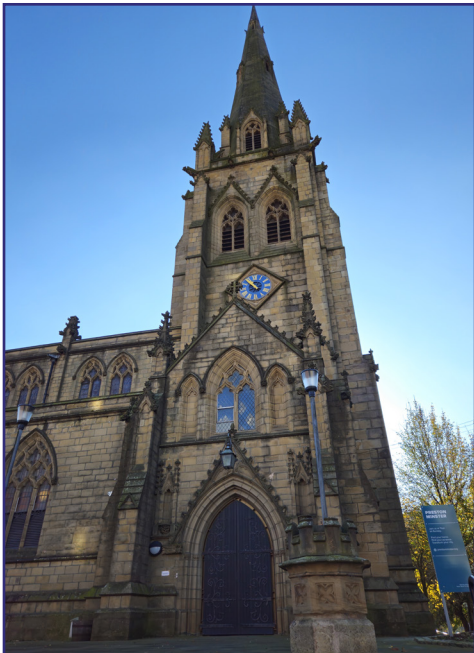


Olaf and The Grinch

Sat, 21st December | 11.30am, 12.45pm & 2pm | Free

Join us for mischief, snowflakes and glee, a festive event for the whole family. This December at Preston, it's time for some cheer, The Grinch and Olaf are both drawing near. One's cold and kind, the others quite sly but together they'll make the fun multiply!

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Carols at the Minster

Tues, 24th December | 4 - 6pm | Free

Spend Christmas Eve in one of Preston's iconic buildings! Preston Minster warmly invite you, along with your friends, family and colleagues, to save the date for their Christmas "City Carols" service! This is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to gather from across all areas and sectors of the city to celebrate Christmas in the iconic Minster building.

9 Preston Minster

FREE PARKING INFORMATION

(From the date and time shown until midnight the same day)



PENNY STREET & TRINITY SQUARE CAR PARKS

Sat 23rd November (Christmas Lights Switch On) | Free from 1pm

Sun 24th November | Free all day

Mon 2nd - Fri 6th December | Free from 3pm

Sun 8th December | Free all day

Mon 9th - Fri 13th December | Free from 3pm

Sun 15th December | Free all day

Mon 16th - Fri 20th December | Free from 3pm

Sun 22nd December | Free all day

Mon 23rd December | Free from 1pm

Tues 24th December | Free all day

ARTHUR STREET CAR PARK

Sat 23rd November (Christmas Lights Switch On) | Free from 12pm

Sun 24th November | Free all day

Mon 2nd - Fri 6th December | Free from 3pm

Sun 8th December | Free all day

Mon 9th - Fri 13th December | Free from 3pm

Sun 15th December | Free all day

Mon 16th - Mon 23rd December | Free from 3pm

Tues 24th December | Free until 5pm

UCLAN - CITY CENTRE CAR PARKS

Sat 23rd November (Christmas Lights Switch On) | Free from 12pm

Sun 24th November | Free all day

Sun 8th & 15th December | Free all day

Mon 16th - Fri 20th December | Free from 3pm

Mon 23rd December | Free all day

Tues 24th December | Free until 5pm

AREA MAP OF EVENTS

