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BANGOR — Musica Sacra for Advent 2015, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, St. John's Catholic Church, 207 York St.

BANGOR — One-act play "Waiting for the Christmas Guest," 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, as part of the worship service at Bangor First United Methodist Church, 703 Essex St.

BANGOR — Blue Christmas service, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 10, First Baptist Church, 56 Center St., for those dealing with grief or other life struggles and seek solace and find comfort in the company of others who are experiencing similar struggles. For information, call 945-9694.

BANGOR — Carols in the Round by Chamber Singers of Mount View High School in Thorndike, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Saint Mary's Church, 768 Ohio St. Free.

BANGOR — Annual holiday craft fair and cafe, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Congregation Beth Israel, 144 York St. Art, Fiore oils, homemade soaps, The Maine Scarf Ladies, Loten Lighting, jewelry, knitted items, reclaimed wood products, mittens, Scentsy, Christmas and Hanukkah items, traditional Jewish food and more.

BANGOR — Traditional candlelit service of Advent Lessons and Carols, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 225 French St. All donations will benefit the Penquis Community Action Program for Heating and Fuel Assistance. Child care provided. Advent Tea follows the service. Music by Lassus, Palestrina, Goldschmidt and Franck plus more modern carols by Archer, Sirrett, Aspaas, Manz, Gardner and Carter.

BANGOR — Bangor Area Children's Choir's 2015 Winter Concert "Make the Season Bright," 7 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, at St. John's Episcopal Church, 225 French St. The Treble Choir and Youth Chorale will present a program of great classics, appealing arrangements of familiar favorites and new treasures.

BANGOR — "In Honor of Human Rights," by the Rev. Arthur Vaeni, 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Unitarian Universalist Society of Bangor, 120 Park St. For more information, call 947-7009 or visit UUBangor.org.

BANGOR — Soul Movement for the Holidays with rhythm and blues, soul and gospel music and simple stretches and moves designed to bring comfort, joy and gratitude into the holiday season, 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 7, at Maine Holistic Center, 81 Main St. $10. For more information, email suziekrm@gmail.com or call Suzanne Kelly at 745-3157.

BANGOR — A Christmas coffee and sale, 9-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, First United Methodist Church, 703 Essex St. Cafe, Christmas crafts, baked goods, candy, gift baskets, cutlery, dish cloths and more.

BANGOR — Free community meal, 12:30 p.m. Sundays, Columbia Street Baptist Church, 63 Columbia St. For more information, call 945-6616.

BAR HARBOR — Acadia Choral Society's Holiday Concert, Saints and Angels of Christmas, 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, and 3 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, St. Saviour's Episcopal Church, 41 Mt. Desert St. Tickets $15 available at Sherman's Books & Stationery and Fiore Artisan Olive Oils & Vinegars in Bar Harbor, Northeast Harbor Library, Southwest Harbor Public Library, and Seven Arts gallery in Ellsworth, also from chorus members. For more information, visit acadiachoralsociety.org.

BELFAST — Second annual Nativity display and tea, 1-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, at Belfast United Methodist Church, 23 Mill Lane. More than 50 varied Nativities in the fellowship hall, including a Christmas tree decorated with Nativity ornaments only. Free. Refreshments. For information, call 338-5575.

BELFAST — Bible study series "Love" based on John 3:16, 6:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Faith Temple Church, 189 Lincolnville Ave. For more information, visit 338-3473.

BELFAST — Candy Cane Capers for children ages 5-12, 9-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, Belfast United Methodist Church, 23 Mill Lane, East Belfast. Children may shop for gifts for immediate family members. For information, call 338-5575.

BLUE HILL — Simmering Pot free community meals, 2:30-6 p.m. Mondays, First Congregational Church of Blue Hill, 22 Tenney Hill. Local produce often featured. Worship services, 10 a.m. Sundays. Donations accepted. For information, call 374-2891.

BRADLEY — Christmas fair, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, St. Ann's Catholic Church hall, Route 178. Hats, mittens, quilts, scarves, wood items, ornaments, gift baskets, food items, used books, new/nearly new items, raffle of handmade quilt, luncheon of cream of broccoli soup and chicken salad sandwiches.

BREWER — Advent breakfast discussions: "John the Baptizer," 9 a.m. and Holy Eucharist 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6; "Fulfillment of All Promises" 9 a.m. and Holy Eucharist and "Faith Linking in Action" 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 13; "Dawning of Day" 9 a.m., Holy Eucharist 10 a.m., Candlelight Lessons and Carols and wassail reception, 5:30 p.m. Dec. 20; carol sing 5 p.m. and Festival Christmas Eve Eucharist, Thursday, Dec. 24, St. Patrick's Episcopal Church, corner of North Main and Holyoke Sts.

CAMDEN — Anne Dodson and Friends 28th annual seasonal program, with The Quasimodal Chorus, Matt Szostak, Will Brown, David Dodson, Kat Logan, Jim Loney, Cindy Kallet, Gordon Bok and Hazel Delehey, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, First Congregational Church sanctuary, 55 Elm St. Doors open 6:30 p.m. Advance tickets at The Owl and Turtle in Camden and Rock City Cafe in Rockland. $13 adults, $6 ages 6-12 in advance. $15 adults, $7 ages 6-12 at the door. Free for under age 6. Refreshments. For more information, call 236-9576.

CASTINE — Second Sunday of Advent and Holy Eucharist, with the Rev. Emily Blair Stribling, celebrant and preacher, 9 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Trinity Episcopal Church, 150 Perkins St. Refreshments. Church school, 9 a.m. second and fourth Sundays.

CASTINE — Sermon, "Sustainable Conversations: What Makes a Good Church," by the Rev. Duncan Newcomer, 10:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Castine Meeting House. Potluck lunch and the church's annual meeting. For more information, call 326-9083 or email minister@uucastine.org or office@uucastine.org.

CASTINE — Sermon "Make Ready," by the Rev. Tim Hall, 9:30 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Trinitarian Congregational Parish of Castine, 68 Main St. Holy Communion during the service. Refreshments. For more information, call 326-9486 or visit tcpoc.org.

DENNYSVILLE — Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols led by Colin Windhorst to feature the music of Sir David Willcocks, who died recently at age 95, 7 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, Dennysville Congregational Meetinghouse. If interested in participating in Festival Choir, call 726-3905. First sopranos and tenors especially welcome. Rehearsals on Thursdays.

EDDINGTON — North Brewer Eddington United Methodist Christmas Choir's Christmas cantata "Mary, Did You Know?" directed by Herbert Hopkins, accompanied by Dora Rexrode and Colin Graebert, and narrated by Doug Gardner, 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, Phillips Strickland Home, Bangor; 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13, Leach Home, Brewer; 3:15 p.m. Dec. 13, Woodlands Assisted Living, Brewer; 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 20, church service of North Brewer Eddington United Methodist Church, Route 9; 2 p.m. Dec. 20, Sunbury Village Retirement Home, Bangor.

ELLSWORTH — First Congregational Church of Ellsworth annual Christmas fair, 8 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, 2 Church St. Bowls, crafts, hand-knit goods, baked goods and fudge, attic treasures, jewelry, used books and puzzles, etc.

GUILFORD — Food cupboard, 1:30-3 p.m. Wednesdays, Guilford United Methodist Church, 3 School St. For Elliotsville, Willimantic, Blanchard, Abbot, Guilford, Sangerville, Parkman, Wellington and Cambridge.

HANCOCK — Advent events at Union Congregational Church of Hancock, UCC, 1368 U.S. Route 1: Holden Evening Prayer service-in-song vesper service with music written and composed by Marty Haugen at Holden Village, 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 9; potluck supper at 5 p.m. and community carol sing at 6 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 13; traditional candlelight Christmas Eve service of readings and carols, 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 24. For information, call 422-3100.

HOULTON — Christmas craft sale, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, Unitarian Society of Houlton, 61 Military St. Food and drink at Cup Cafe. For more information, call 532-9269 or visit uuhoulton.org.

HOWLAND — Exodus Bible study, 10-11 a.m. Tuesdays; $4 lunch, 11:30 a.m. Wednesdays; worship, 9-10 a.m. Sundays, Howland United Methodist Church, 23 Coffin St. For more information, call 862-4281.

LIMERICK — Regular services by Pastor John Short Jr., 10 a.m. Sundays, Maine Life Gate Christian Church, 3 Foss Road. Saturday service, 6 p.m. Sermons posted at Facebook.com/MaineLifeGateChristianChurch. For more information, call 793-2610 or email info@mlgchurch.com.

MACHIAS — Living Nativity, 4-6 p.m. Friday, Dec. 18, Centre Street Congregational Church, 9 Center St. Open and affirming congregation welcoming to all, with worship services at 10 a.m. each Sunday. For information, call 255-6665.

MILLINOCKET — "The Angel's Story" cantata, 4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 6, First Congregational Church, 274 Katahdin Ave., by the All Faith Chorus directed by Brenda Angotti and accompanied by Mark Scaly. Free.

MILO — Christmas fair, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, Park Street United Methodist Church fellowship room, 15 Park St. Homemade food, cookie walk, candy, fudge, homemade crafts, a men's craft gift table, cards, utensils and a nearly new items table. Luncheon of beef stew, rolls, crackers, pie, pickles and beverages, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

NEW LIMERICK — "Christmas Evening with the LaPointes," 6 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, County Road Baptist Church, 1643 County Road. For information, call 441-1399.

ORONO — North Country Strings presenting "A North Country Christmas," 7:15 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, The Inn at Dirigo Pines, 9 Alumni Drive.

WINTERPORT — Christmas fair, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, Ellingwoods Corner United Methodist Church, 796 Lebanon Road. Silent auction, craft sale, thrift shop, homemade wreaths, candy, baked goods and preserves; Friday soup and sandwich, 3 p.m. until gone, $3; Saturday pancake breakfast, 8 a.m. until gone, $4; Saturday lunch, 11 a.m. until gone, $8. For more information, call Elaine at 862-5304 or Debbie at 269-3330.

WINTERPORT — The 48th annual Winterport Live Nativity Pageant, involving community members and six area churches, 7-7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday, Dec. 18 and 19, outdoors on the grounds of the historic Union Meeting House, 177 Main St. The streetlights will be turned off and the Route 1A traffic will be diverted. The only speaking part is the narrator. The play is 12 minutes long and involves live animals.

For a complete listing of calendar items or to submit your event, visit www.bangordailynews.com.

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8:30AM St. Gabriel's ..... Winterport
8:30AM St. Mary's ..... Bangor
10:30AM St. John's ..... Bangor
10:30AM St. Matthew's ..... Hampden
5:30PM St. Teresa's ..... Brewer
Confession:
Saturday
2:30 PM to 3:45 PM, St. John's, Bangor
3:00 PM to 3:45 PM, St. Joseph's, Brewer
Sunday
4:30 PM to 5:15 PM, St. Teresa's, Brewer

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MASS SCHEDULE
Saturday
4PM - Holy Family, Old Town
5:30PM- St. Ann's, Indian Island
Sunday
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11AM - Our Lady of Wisdom / Newman Center, Orono

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