

Praiano Town Hall in collaboration with the association **Pelagos**, Parishes and local public associations presents the Christmas program available until January 7th, 2024.

Friday December 8th, a joyful concert will open the Praiano Christmas Time. **Coro di Natale** (the Christmas Choir) of the vocal and instrumental group **la Coriola.** From medieval liturgy to the American songs and melodies of the Neapolitan tradition, the "Coriola" will perform instrumental melodies and also "a cappella".

From December 8th to Dec 10th in Piazza San Luca will be held the **Christmas Market** where solidarity funds will be raised for the diocesan Caritas, the AIL (Italian Association against leukemia-lymphomas and myeloma) and the Italian Red Cross. The latter will organize two events of awareness and prevention: Friday, December 8 the prevention against cardiovascular diseases and Sunday, December 10 with promotion of the culture of road safety.

Sabato 9 dicembre the association "Voli Pindarici" will complete, with our children, the ecological Christmas decorations made in other previous events and which will go on the Christmas tree in Piazza San Luca. From 18:30 will be represented the dramatic reading "Il Natale di Pulcinella" (The Christmas of Pulcinella) - (Church of San Luca at 6:30pm).

Sunday December 10th, Vincenzo Santoriello (flute) and Marina Rosato (piano), will drive the concert audience in a journey of love and hope. Guided by the musical poetic melodies of the greatest composers of the '900, the concert is entitled "il Senso dell'amore" (the "Sense of love").

The concert will take place at la "Congrega del Rosario", close by Piazza San Luca.

Here until December 31st, will take place the exhibition called "**Picasso Napoli**" made by Fondazione Bideri. The exhibition traces Picasso's stay in Naples in the spring of 1917, focusing on the suggestions related to his listening to Neapolitan songs.

The December openings days are : Saturday December 9th and Saturday December 23rd from 15:30 to 17:30.

The most famous arias from Goffredo Mameli and Michele Novaro, to Von Litz up to Schubert, will be performed by violins by **Annastella and Daniele Gibboni** and by piano by **Pietro Gatto** in the **Christmas Concert**. The concert is offered by the Association Praiano Chambre and Jazz Music and it will be held on **Wednesday, December 13**th, at the church of San Luca Evangelista from 19:00.

Saturday, December 16th, as usual, at the Parish of San Gennaro, will be remembered the miracle of San Gennaro. The third and last wonder of the year is celebrated on December 16 because on the same day in 1631, there was an eruption of Vesuvius. The history tells that the blood and a statue of the saint carried in procession, prevented the arrival of lava in the city of Naples. On this occasion, after the solemn evening mass, the concert of the duo **Ance Vibranti** will be held. **Andrea Bisogno on the Accordion** and **Francesco Di Domenico on the Clarinet**. The two artists will perform classical melodies from Bach to Piazzolla up to the famous Christmas arias of Sant'Alfonso and Mykola Leontovych.

More performances animated by children and youngers of Praiano will follow: the children recite the catechism (church of San Gennaro 17 December) and the year-end performances of the pupils of primary and secondary school (church of San Luca 21 December).

Saturday, December 23rd at the church of San Gennaro at 19:00 soloists **Marianna Casola** (piano), **Maria Gargiulo** (flute), **Antonio Mazza** (violin), **Luigi Talamo** (guitar), **Davide Gentile** (piano), **Luis De Gennaro** (piano) will perform classical and Christmas melodies.

Tuesday, December 26th the church of San Gennaro will host the 35 elements of the Choir of SS. Trinità di Piano di Sorrento. "**Luce per illuminare le genti**" (Light to enlighten the people) is the title of the concert that will ideally retrace the stages of waiting until you get to the joy of Christmas. The first part is dedicated to Mary the Mother, the second focuses on the Holy Night, the third announces the birth. Leading the choir will be the Maestro K. Veniero.

Wednesday, December 27th, the association Barattoli Cosmici entertain children and families with the second and last dramatized reading: "**II Libro Magico del Natale**" The Magic Christmas book (church of San Gennaro at 19:00).

Thursday, December 28th, will be the time of the "**Caccia Al Tesoro**" (the Treasure Hunt). From 14:30 the San Gennaro Parish stuff will start an afternoon of pure fun, game, fantasy and creativity dedicated to all the guys of Praiano.

Friday, December 29th the Praiano Town Hall, in collaboration with many volunteers, will organize the **Christmas Lunch** dedicated to the grandparents of Praiano. The initiative will be held in the Church of San Luca Evangelista.

Monday, January 1, the first day of the new year, the people of Praiano will meet in the church of San Luca for the traditional **Grand Concert of New Year**: Viennese Waltz arranged by Maestro Giovanni Vuolo and masterfully interpreted by the award-winning orchestra "Città di Minori".

Sunday, January 7th will conclude the Christmas program the cheerful and energetic parade of "Gli Amici di Masaniello" (The Friends of Masaniello). With old instruments coming from the old agriculture they will revolutionize the afternoon of Praiano until the evening where, in Piazza San Luca, will be held the grand finale.

There will be more events for children with the arrival of their favorite Christmas main characters, Santa Claus and Epiphany. Father Christmas will be with us both on December 22nd (Piazza San Luca at 15:00 - "Santa Claus arrives?") and Saturday, December 24th when, with the Volunteers the Amalfi Coast Red Cross, will knock on the doors of the houses of children who have sent their letter to Santa.

An intensive and a special Christmas program. We are waiting for you!

All the events are free of admittance.

If for any reason we are obliged to change locations or dates we will advise via the official Facebook page of the Praiano Town Hall or on the official Facebook page of the Praiano Christmas events <u>https://www.facebook.com/ilnataledipraiano</u>.



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