

Programme Information Highlights

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Happening this month...

Monday 1st January

New Year's Day

Pope delivers mass from the Vatican on the first day of the year in the Gregorian calendar.

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Bulgaria takes over the presidency of the European Union.

Friday 5th January

Three Kings Parade

A tradition, most prominent in Spain, the Czech Republic and Poland, which takes place ahead of Three Kings Day or Epiphany on 6th January. Madrid hosts one of the most famous parades, although other European towns and cities and New York City also take part. Children receive presents to mark the day on which Christians believe the three wise men visited the baby Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh.

Sunday 7th January

Golden Globe Awards

The 75th Golden Globes, honouring the best in film and television, will take place at the Beverly Hilton in Beverly Hills, California. The annual awards are decided by the Hollywood Foreign Press Association.

Monday 8th January

North Korea celebrates leader Kim Jong-un's birthday. His exact age is disputed, but he's thought to be turning 34.



The Three Kings wave at the end of the Three Kings parade in Madrid on January 5, 2015. (Photo credit GERARD JULIEN/AFP/Getty Images)

Tuesday 9th-Friday 12th January

CES, Las Vegas

Annual trade show organised by the Consumer Technology Association which showcases the latest electronic gadgets and products. More than 170,000 people are expected to attend.

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Friday 12th January

Presidential Election, Czech Republic

Incumbent president Milos Zeman is standing for re-election to the post he has held since 2013, having previously served as Prime Minister.

Monday 15th - Sunday 28th January

Australian Open

Melbourne hosts the first Grand Slam tennis tournament of the year. Last year, Roger Federer beat Rafael Nadal in the Men's Singles final, while a pregnant Serena Williams triumphed over sister Venus in the Women's Singles competition.

Tuesday 23rd January

Academy Award nominations announced

The films and stars shortlisted to win an Oscar will be announced. The 90th Academy Awards will be hosted by Jimmy Kimmel at the Dolby Theatre in Los Angeles on Sunday 4th March.

Tuesday 23rd - Friday 26th January

World Economic Forum, Davos

Annual meeting to bring together leaders from business, government, academia and civil society to discuss global challenges.

Tuesday 30th January

State of the Union address, Washington DC

President Donald Trump will give his first State of the Union address to a joint session of the United States Congress. In it, he will report on the condition of the nation and outline his legislative agenda for the coming year.



Host Jimmy Kimmel onstage during the 89th Annual Academy Awards at Hollywood & Highland Center on February 26, 2017 in Hollywood, California. (Photo credit Kevin Winter/Getty Images)