

Downtown Orillia to Light the Way for Santa this Weekend!

Downtown Orillia's Annual Children's Candlelight Parade this Friday Evening!

Hundreds of children will gather in the Legion parking lot ahead of this year's Annual Children's Candlelight Parade at 6:30 Friday Night. Each child will be given a candle and holder to walk up the main street at 7pm singing carols with the Town Crier leading the way to the Opera House.

"As the parade passes the almost 20 thousand feet or more than 3 ½ miles of lights on the trees in the downtown will light up for the season" said Lisa Thomson-Roop, Manager of Marketing & Public Affairs, Downtown Orillia Management Board. "Then we'll welcome Father Christmas to Downtown Orillia by counting down and flicking the switch on 775 LED Lights on the tree in front of the Opera House".

Free hot chocolate from the Salvation Army, Mariposa Market sugar cookies and candy canes will be offered to the crowd as the Salvation Army band plays and spreads the holiday spirit in this annual tradition.

The event also marks the beginning of Free 3-Hour Parking in Municipal Lots in Downtown Orillia and kicks off a weekend of Christmas event: the Downtown Open House on Saturday and the annual Santa Claus Parade on Sunday afternoon.



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