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Far-left Scrooges Claim “Far-right” Christians “Stole,” “Weaponized” Christmas

For those who think Christmas celebrates the Nativity of Jesus Christ, *Politico Europe* has news for you: They think wrong.

In fact, the website claims “the far right stole Christmas” and “seasonal traditions and good cheer are being repurposed to serve political ends.”

From whom the “far right” stole Christmas isn’t clear, although far-left *Politico Europe* warns that the very real War on Christmas is a figment of the far-right’s febrile nightmares. Thus did far-left John Pavlovitz, a pro-homosexual apostate Catholic, claim that Christians have “weaponized” Christmas.



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Correction: The far-left has weaponized Christ Himself, notably by falsely claiming he was an “undocumented immigrant” who would be a target for Immigration and Customs Enforcement. They also claim that He wouldn’t abide those who run hither and thither with Merry Christmas on their lips. Indeed, He likely thinks those cult members, as Pavlovitz called them, should be boiled in their own pudding.

Far-right parties are claiming the festive season as their own, recasting Christmas as a marker of Christian civilization that is under threat and positioning themselves as its last line of defense against a supposedly hostile, secular left. <https://t.co/6QMMomhHHX>

— POLITICOEurope (@POLITICOEurope) [December 24, 2025](#)

Bad Meloni

Just in time to poke Christians everywhere in the eye, [Politico Europe breathlessly claimed](#) that “Christmas is becoming a new front line in Europe’s culture wars.”

Indeed, it continued, “far-right parties are claiming the festive season as their own, recasting Christmas as a marker of Christian civilization that is under threat and positioning themselves as its last line of defense against a supposedly hostile, secular left.”

Such an idea is a “trope” that “echoes a familiar refrain across the Atlantic that was first propagated by Fox News, where hosts have inveighed against a purported ‘War on Christmas’ for years.”

“Far-right parties” are aping the trope.

The piece in question expounds at length about only one “far-right” party, the Brothers of Italy, led by Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni. She, apparently, is the mastermind of the far-right’s theft of Christmas, at least in Italy.



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“Meloni has made the defense of Christmas traditions central to her political identity. She has repeatedly framed the holiday as part of the nation’s endangered heritage, railing against what she calls ‘ideological’ attempts to dilute it,” the [website reported](#):

“How can my culture offend you?” Meloni has asked in the past, defending nativity scenes in public spaces. She has argued that children should learn the values of the Nativity — rather than just associating Christmas with food and presents — and rejected the idea that long-standing traditions should be altered. This year, Meloni said she was abstaining from alcohol until Christmas, portraying herself as a practitioner of spirituality and tradition.

Meloni isn’t alone. “France’s National Rally and Spain’s Vox have similarly opposed secularist or ‘woke’ efforts to replace religious imagery with neutral seasonal language, and advocated for nativity scenes in town halls.” Worse still, “in Germany, the Alternative for Germany (AfD) has warned that Christmas markets are losing their ‘German character,’ amplifying disinformation about Muslim traditions edging out Christian ones.”

Of course, the website doesn’t defend its claim that AfD is spreading “disinformation,” and in any event turns back to the maleficent Meloni. Her party annually “hosts a Christmas-themed political festival — complete with Santa, ice-skating, and a towering Christmas tree lit in the colors of the Italian tricolor.”

Christmastide Evil isn’t just afoot. It’s up and running.

The festival is now at “the prestigious [Castel Sant’Angelo](#),” where it actually invites “families, tourists and the politically curious.” The website never explains why the party shouldn’t use the “prestigious” site, now a museum, but once the safe-house for [Pope Clement VII](#) during the Sack of Rome in 1527.

Politico Europe is particularly exercised that the Brothers of Italy says the nation’s “roots must be celebrated and absolutely defended,” and positively beside itself that the party’s “message resonates with younger supporters too.”

Oddly, the website never explicitly repeats the falsehood that Meloni’s party and others “stole” Christmas. But it does claim that her government took “ownership” of the Christian feast. That “fits,” ominously, “a broader project to reclaim control over cultural institutions from public broadcasting to museums and opera, after what it sees as decades of left-wing dominance.”

Thus must “mainstream parties ... find a compelling counter-argument to convincingly defend secularism.”

Politico Europe’s concern: Meloni wants Italians to focus on the Nativity — the birth of Jesus Christ — “rather than just associating Christmas with food and presents.”

No Merry Christmas

While that Christophobic salvo appeared on December 23, earlier this month Pavlovitz regurgitated his eggnog because of an X post from the White House. It declared that “we’re saying Merry Christmas again!” The message appeared over a picture of a beaming Orange Man Bad.

“We’re saying MERRY CHRISTMAS again!” – [@POTUS](#)  pic.twitter.com/TcfyP5h5Uc
— The White House (@WhiteHouse) [December 1, 2025](#)



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At this Substack, [Pavlovitz poo-pooed](#) the War on Christmas, a key feature of which is the social pressure upon Americans to mumble “Happy Holidays” or “Seasons’ Greetings” when they want to say “Merry Christmas.” Alas, “‘Happy Holidays’ isn’t an Insult to Jesus,” the kooky former cleric averred, but “Christians Who Weaponize Christmas are.”

Thereafter, he expostulated at length that he is a Good Christian who hurls “Happy Holidays” in all directions.

Those who liked the White House post are “mindless church-going cult members,” he wrote. They “have responded with performative social posts effusively thanking him for releasing them from the vile and burdensome bondage of ‘Happy Holidays.’”

“I’m a Christian, or at least I aspire to Jesus’ teachings,” [he declared](#):

When someone says “Happy Holidays” to me, I simply smile and reply, “You as well.”

I don’t lecture them or correct them or insist that they acknowledge Christmas.

I don’t need some forced, compliant lip service from a stranger to have my beliefs validated.

I don’t feel my religion is being assailed by another human being’s kind salutation.

My faith convictions are not contingent on anyone else agreeing with them.

The day Christmas becomes a weapon is the day I’ll know I lost the plot completely.

How long Pavlovitz will remain a “Christian” is unclear.

That question aside, another anti-Merry Christmas figure is “Matt,” who tells readers his “pronouns” on X. He, too, thinks the War on Christmas is imaginary.

“Not everyone observes Christmas (I don’t),” he explained:

That’s why it’s important to never assume someone’s religion when sharing well wishes this time of year. Saying “Happy Holidays” has never been about a “War on Christmas” — it’s simply about being inclusive and kind.

Say “Happy Holidays.”

Don't be an insufferable ass. <https://t.co/gASsQQUwFE> <https://t.co/nr4iUdrwfW>
[pic.twitter.com/1ro4xiDnJM](https://t.co/nr4iUdrwfW)

— John Pavlovitz (@johnpavlovitz) [December 23, 2025](#)

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— Matt (@nosoupforgeorge) [December 24, 2025](#)



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Jesus an “Undocumented Immigrant”

Right. And others who claim the War on Christmas is the fever dream of “mindless church-going cult members” are those who falsely insist that Jesus Christ was a refugee or “undocumented immigrant” because of the Holy Family’s Flight to Egypt to escape Herod.

“We don’t actually have a ‘war on Christmas,” explained “Jesus Freakin Congress,” who doesn’t appear to be the brightest bulb on the tree:

We have a war on the people the Christmas story is about.

A poor, pregnant teenager.

A family displaced by government orders.

A child born without stable housing.

And when state violence threatened that child’s life, they fled across a border to survive.

If that family showed up in the United States today, they wouldn’t be honored.

They’d be detained, separated, or deported.

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A family displaced by government orders.

A child born without stable housing.

And when state violence threatened that child’s life, they fled across...

pic.twitter.com/Bd4mZMiObx

— Jesus Freakin Congress (@TheJFreakinC) [December 25, 2025](#)

Immigration and Customs Enforcement presumably stands in for Herod in this narrative, and those who support ICE “became [its] villain.”

A Reddit post showed an ICE helicopter over a Nativity scene.

Other X users explained why this narrative is false, if not idiotic. The Holy Family did not flee “across a border to survive.”

Christians everywhere must beware: The “far right” stole Christmas by focusing on Christ and saying Merry Christmas.

"Jesus was an undocumented immigrant" is the liberal talking point you hear to oppose ICE enforcement of our laws. Well, that is just not true. Rome was in control of Judea, Samaria, Egypt and the rest of the known world. Harrod's massacre of the children under two drove them out... pic.twitter.com/2DI0lCCW5M

— Atlas Airguns (@AtlasAirguns) [December 24, 2025](#)



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Calling Jesus an illegal immigrant because Mary and Joseph traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem is like calling someone an illegal immigrant because their parents moved from Pensacola to Miami. <https://t.co/NXSIQS3tXG>

— Possum Reviews (@ReviewsPossum) [December 13, 2025](#)



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