JESUIT CHURCH
Molsheim



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Historical background

The construction of the church was given the green light by Archduke Leopold of Austria on December, 15th 1614. Project management was entrusted to Christophe Wambser. Jean Isfording, a Jesuit in charge of the College of Molsheim, served as foreman. The first stone was laid in February 1615 and the building was finished two years and nine months later.

The building

According to the historian Hunckler, this Gothic style church is one of the most impressive and magnificent of the country.

The inner sanctum

Next to the Cathedral of Strasbourg, the Jesuit Church of Molsheim is the second largest church in Alsace, with its 61,5 x 21,5 m (201.8' x 70.5') interior and its 20 m (65.6 ft) high nave.

The chorus

Measuring 19,5 x 11 m (64' x 36'), the chorus has been raised and its majestic stone arch is held in place by four lions. The altar was replaced by a Neo-Gothic high-altar in 1865.

The organ

Built in 1781 by Jean André Silbermann, it is the only organ in Alsace with a manual of four octaves and an echo division.

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The Chapel of the Virgin Mary

It is located on the spot of the former chapel of the St. Mary medieval hospital of Molsheim.

The Chapel of St. Ignatius

Formerly Chapel of the Cross. At the entrance stand four beautiful statues representing the Evangelists. The chapel took the name St. Ignatius in 1622, as a tribute to the founder of the Jesuit order.

Groups can book a guided tour at the Tourist Office all year long (entrance fee)

Horaire(s) d'ouverture

From 01/11/2026 to 31/12/2026
Monday from 10:00 to 12:00Monday from 14:30 to 16:00
Tuesday from 10:00 to 12:00Tuesday from 14:30 to 16:00
Wednesday from 10:00 to 12:00Wednesday from 14:30 to 16:00
Thursday from 10:00 to 12:00Thursday from 14:30 to 16:00
Friday from 10:00 to 12:00Friday from 14:30 to 16:00
Saturday from 10:00 to 12:00Saturday from 14:30 to 16:00
Sunday from 14:30 to 16:00

Open during the 2026 / 2027 Christmas season

24 December at noon
25 December at noon
26 December at noon
31 December at noon
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