

**Blog Title:** 10 Reasons You Might Need a Monroe Emergency Plumber During the Holidays

### Your Pre-Holiday Plumbing Checklist

We know you have plenty on your to-do list already, but as they say, an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. Even if everything seems shipshape, it's a good idea to get a full checkup before you blithely continue with your dinner prep.

Even if you don't have a plumber in beforehand, you should at least remain vigilant. After all, you want the holidays to be memorable... but not because of some "Plumbing Incident" nobody will ever let you hear the end of for as long as you live.

Keep an eye out for the following signs of impending disaster:

- Odd smells coming from drains, toilets, or sinks that you can't explain away? Especially if this is a new development in your home's plumbing situation, take it as a warning sign to heed.
- Weird gurgling from faucets or drains? Assuming your nephew didn't try to flush a tennis ball down the commode... again... there's no reason you should hear a pipe symphony.
- Leaks around the base of the water heater, the bottoms of fixtures, under sinks or at the foot of tubs and showers? Unless you've magically found a way to install a self-mopping feature in your bathroom, this needs attention.
- Smells of sewage in the yard – or anywhere really? Because ick! Your neighbors are probably wondering when you'll get that fixed already.
- Visible frost or moisture on outdoor faucets or exposed pipes? Yeah, even in Georgia, even though we don't get blizzards.
- Rusty or yellowed water? You don't want to be bathing in that, much less using it to brush your teeth or to quench your thirst.
- Soft patches on the lawn or in the garden? Don't wait until you find yourself sunk to your kneecaps to call for help.
- Seeing rats? Not your pets, should you have them! We're talking the wild kind, the kind that sees plumbing problems as a great real estate investment opportunity.
- Backed up toilets or showers? Water shouldn't be coming up in plumbing and showers when you flush the toilet, so if you're seeing that, it's time to get help.

So, watch out, friend, but as long as you don't see these signs creeping up, you're okay. All shipshape? Time to celebrate. Pull on your holiday sweater, put a little more orange zest in the cranberry sauce and sing your heart out to Bing. You've earned it.