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# Ickenham Church News



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December 2018

January 2019

<p><b>URC Daytime Services</b>                  Sunday Mornings 11.00am                  - incl. Junior Church most Sundays                  - Children's space available during all services                  - Holy Communion, 3rd Sunday</p>	<p><b>Sunday Evening Services</b>                  The two churches join together on Sunday Evenings at 6.30pm in St Giles' as follows:                  - 1st Sun - Choral Evensong                  - 3rd Sun - Worship + The Word (band led service)                  - 4th Sun - "O Lord, hear our prayer" (prayer service)</p>	<p><b>St Giles' Daytime Services</b>                  Sunday Mornings - 8.00am Holy Communion                  - 9.45am Holy Communion (with Junior Church and Crèche)                  - 1st Sunday 9.45am All-Age Service                  - 10.00am Holy Communion                  Thursdays</p>
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## BREAKSPEAR SCHOOL WINS WATERAID SCHOOL OF THE YEAR!

Once again this year, the Breakspear School Year 4 put on a fundraising event for the rest of the school, to raise money for WaterAid, a charity which works to help the world's poorest people ensuring they get a safe supply of clean, running water. Year 4 organised a penny challenge and Nursery, Foundation and Year 2 children brought out their bags of 1p and 2p coins to fill the WaterAid sign. They all had lots of fun spreading the coins around. Years 2-6 had the opportunity to go on the field and have a go on some of the many stalls Year 4 had set up, including a slime challenge, beat the keeper, spy squad, beauty bar, lolly challenge and snowman challenge to name but a few. The Year 4 children designed, created and supplied everything to make their stalls a success. It was obvious from the happy faces on the field that the children had enjoyed running their stalls, just as much as the other year groups had enjoyed taking part. Altogether the day was an absolute success, raising an amazing **£1,519.51** for WaterAid! So a huge "Thank You!", to all the parents and children at the Breakspear School for making this possible and a big "Well Done!" to Year 4 for putting on such a memorable fundraising day. In recognition of all they have done, the Breakspear School has been awarded the WaterAid School of the Year title! The judges were very impressed by the continued commitment and creativity of Year 4 Breakspear pupils over the past 15 years! Well done everyone!



TARA JAGROOP

## ICKENHAM CHURCHES' EXTRA SERVICES & FESTIVE EVENTS

### Saturday 1st December

10.00am-12noon  
 URC Coffee Morning and Sale of half price Christmas Goods

### Sunday 2nd December

9.45am Free tickets available after today's All-age Service for both St Giles' Christmas Eve Carol Services (or ring 01895 622971 Mon-Fri, 9.30am-12.30pm from 3rd December)  
 6.30pm Advent Carol Service and Readings at St Giles'

### Friday 7th December - Festive Community Night

6.00pm-9.00pm  
 URC - Church open  
 Christmas Market in St Giles' Church Hall with Santa!  
 6.00pm-9.00pm  
 Christmas Tree Festival at St Giles'

### Saturday 8th December

10.00am-12noon (café open for lunch until 1.00pm)  
 Christmas Market plus Grand Raffle in St Giles' Church Hall  
 10.00am-4.00pm Christmas Tree Festival at St Giles'

### Sunday 9th December

6.30pm Community Carols at St Giles'

### Saturday 15th December

4.00pm-6.00pm  
 Messy Christingles in St Giles' Hall

### Sunday 16th December

9.45am Nativity Service at St Giles'  
 11.00am Holy Communion at the URC led by Marion McNeill  
 3.00pm Jack and Jill Group Carol Service at St Giles'  
 6.30pm Carols by Candlelight - Service of Carols, Readings and



Choir items at the URC

(No Worship + The Word Service at St Giles' tonight)

### Wednesday 19th December

11.00am-1.00pm  
 Christmas at Memory Café at St Giles'

### Thursday 20th December

6.30pm All-age Carol Sing at the URC

### Friday 21st December

6.00pm Blue Christmas Service at St Giles'

### Saturday 22nd December

10.30am Carol Singing with Santa along Swakeleys Road in aid of Save The Children (meet Village Hall) Info: Jenny 633130

### Sunday 23rd December

6.30pm Carols and Lessons for Christmas at St Giles' (plus refreshments in the Church Hall afterwards)

### Monday 24th December - Christmas Eve

9.00am Holy Communion at St Giles' (trad. lang.)  
 3.00pm and 4.30pm

Carols for the Family at St Giles' (free but by ticket only - see Sunday 2nd December entry)

7.30pm Carol Singing at Harefield Hospital (meet in hospital foyer)

8.00pm Holy Communion at St Giles' (trad. lang.)

11.00pm Holy Communion at St Giles'

### Tuesday 25th December - Christmas Day

10.00am Family Communion at St Giles'

10:00am Christmas Day Family Service at the URC

### Sunday 6th January

9.45am All-age Epiphany service at St Giles'





### **SURPRISE! SURPRISE!**

This time of the year brings to mind childhood memories of Christmas stockings at the end of the bed, full of mysterious bulges and small rustling parcels, on Christmas morning, and the anticipation and excitement of opening them all.

Recently at the URC we have been preparing lots of shoeboxes filled with small Christmas gifts to give to the charity Samaritan's Purse for their Operation Christmas Child appeal. What lovely surprises children in faraway lands will have when they receive and open our boxes of gifts! Unlike our own children and grandchildren, the children who will receive our boxes will probably be given little else this Christmas time.

I'm sure there can't be many of us who don't enjoy pleasant surprises. It's lovely to receive flowers, a parcel in the post, a phone-call from a friend you haven't spoken to for a while, a thoughtful gift, a meal out at a restaurant, or even just a smile from a stranger! This works both ways - it's also good to surprise others and great pleasure can come through thoughtful giving.

God in His creation is very good at surprises – a master of the unexpected: an uninteresting bulb from which a beautiful flower grows; a gorgeous butterfly emerges from a small brown chrysalis; a woodland glade covered in a carpet of bluebells; a brilliant rainbow in a rainy sky – the list is endless. At this time of Advent we await that greatest surprise of all – a celebration of the birth of the baby, born in a stable in Bethlehem to a poor family, who was to save the world.

In our community there are many ways to celebrate the birth of Jesus this December, and we hope that you will join us in our two churches at some of the services and other events which will remind us again of the real meaning of Christmas.

May peace be with you all and may God bless you in your homes this Christmas time.

CELIA MILLER, URC ELDER

### **NO ROOM AT THE INN...**

Dear Friends - This Christmas we'll hear again the story of Mary, Joseph and the Donkey travelling from Nazareth to Bethlehem and how they went from inn to inn in search of a place to stay. It was a 5 day journey across the spine of mountains that nowadays make up the West Bank. Bethlehem was heaving and rooms were hard to find, both because of the Roman census, and most especially because Mary was about to give birth. You see, it was a Jewish city – with Jewish Laws – which meant that any room in which Mary gave birth would be rendered unclean for 40 days. So it's not very surprising that the innkeepers took one look at Mary's condition and quickly declared that all their rooms were full! There'd be no rent for 6 weeks...

We were on a Pilgrimage to Israel in October this year and went to the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. The queue to get to the place where Jesus' birth is commemorated was an hour and a half long. Patiently we inched our way to the steps down to the cave, gathering briefly as a group so that the Bishop could pray. Before we could each make our way to the front and see the place for ourselves, crowds pushed in from both the entrance behind us and the exit ahead of us. We were squashed by people calling us to 'move on' and 'get out of the way'; clearly there was truly no room at the inn for us! How close we were to the uncomfortable experience of Mary and Joseph. Despite the importance placed on hospitality, there had been no welcome and no room (for them or for us).

Many of us will enjoy parties and get-togethers with family and friends over Christmas. The question is: Can we find room to welcome Jesus into our midst? Or will our busy celebrations squeeze Jesus out of Christmas altogether this year? My prayer is that we'll make time and space in our lives to think about the birth of the baby who was born to be 'Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace'.



With love at blessings for Christmas 2018, *Felicity*

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**BEYOND THE DEEPENING SHADOWS**

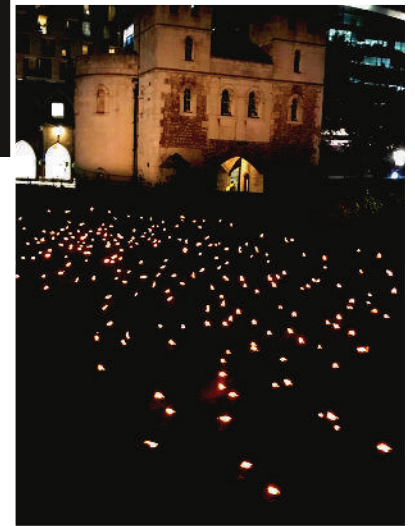
As darkness fell the swirling smoke gave the moat an unearthly quality as a procession of 40 pairs of volunteers dressed in grey, walked slowly towards the lighting ceremony. The atmosphere was quiet and still. The voices of the people waiting in the crowds above muted, and respectful. At 5pm a bell chimed, once. The podium, floodlit.

The Yeomen Warders of Her Majesty's Royal Palace and Fortress The Tower Of London appeared from inside the Tower and proceeded to their positions, centre stage. The strains of 'The Last Post', played by a bugler silhouetted against the London skyline, haunting in the surrounding quiet. A minute's silence. The light from the flame appeared before the bearer came into view. The first 3 lanterns, lit by military personnel, the Yeomen Warders following on.

We moved into position and proceeded to light the remaining 10,000 lanterns throughout the moat to the background of choral music. More and more lanterns were lit, the darkness ebbed away and the moat was filled with a flickering golden light. The floodlights threw our shadows into relief on the Tower walls as we moved slowly and thoughtfully lighting lantern by lantern. Warders positioned throughout the moat stood in reflective poses, their red and black uniforms standing out starkly against the growing golden sea of light.

As we made our way back, our own shadows once again played on the Tower walls, sometimes very clear, sometimes muted, always in motion.

I feel privileged to have been part of Beyond The Deepening Shadows. My lasting memory is of standing in the middle of a field of glowing flickering flames stretching into the distance, and experiencing a sense of calm and tranquility, but that, tinged with great sadness. Time seemed to stand still, and I knew I would forever be part of something very special.



*'A flame for tears of sorrow and joy.  
For what was, and what might have been.  
We will remember.'*

JANE WHYBROW

**DONATIONS** to the ICN are very gratefully received and individually acknowledged by email. Please make donation cheques out to **"PCC of St Giles' Church"** and send to Alison Summerfield (*please note the change of person*) at: The Office, St Giles' Church, UB10 8BG. This month our grateful thanks go to J.C.T.Chrzczonowicz, Anon (Bushey Road) and Anon (Warren Road). Thank you!



**DROP-IN FOR THE BEREAVED** - St Giles' Church Back Hall, 2.00pm-3.30pm, Third Monday in the month. Come in for a friendly and informal chat over a cup of tea with other bereaved people and bereavement visitors. Just come along or, if you would like to speak to someone first, please ring 01895 622970. The next meeting is on **Monday 17th December**, then **Monday January 21st 2019** and **Monday February 18th 2019** after that.

**Need To talk?**  
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## FILMING IN ICKENHAM

On a warm September day, while Storm Ali raged in the north of England sending high winds across the south, a sizeable film crew descended on Ickenham... in secret. The private Swakeleys Home Guard Clubhouse behind the Village Hall was chosen as the Green Room for the day (pictured). It was soon filled with costumes, gear, makeup stations, racks of costumes and snacks for the stars...

Film crew in the Green Room included makeup artists and dressers, who had to work quickly between rehearsals and filming. One of the makeup artists had moved into TV and film makeup from event management and, surprisingly, found her makeup role to be a more relaxing job than event management; the schedule for her working day being different from the regular 9-5, with few early starts! While the grown-ups chatted in the Green Room, the younger stars played amongst themselves and had great fun running around the Swakeleys Home Guard's patio area, showing just how easy it is to make friends when you are six years old!

Meantime, to ensure secrecy, Ickenham Village Hall itself was blacked out so that passers-by couldn't see what was going on. Then the whole Village Hall was transformed into a 'school hall' for this covert filming event. The set management was so good that young members of the cast were convinced that they were in a real school! Mind you, they were possibly distracted by the Hall being decked out in fabulous style as if for Christmas! This was no Christmas TV advert though. Tune in to ITV1 at 7.00pm on Sunday 23rd December 2018 for a very special edition of "What Would Your Kid Do?" hosted by Jason Manford.

There are two mirrors in the Green Room. Who else could be joining Jason Manford on the show?

RACHEL EVANS



## DEADLINE NEWS

*This is the final ICN from the current production team and as we go to print, a new editor is still being sought to secure its continuation. However, the ICN needs your stories - so please do continue to send items for the next ICN to the team by 12noon on January 10th 2019.*

## COME AND PRAY FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Pray First is taking a break; from January 2019 there will be the opportunity for anyone to attend "O Lord, Hear my Prayer", a Service of Prayer, at St Giles' on the 4th Sunday evening of each month at 6.30pm. All welcome.

## FROM THE CHURCHES' REGISTERS

### Weddings

27th October Kate Silvester and Christopher Hibbs

### Committals at Breakspeare Crematorium

27th September George Silvester, aged 87  
5th November Clare Bambrough, aged 34,  
following a Service in St Giles'

### Burials at High Wycombe Cemetery

12th October Kerry Humphreys, aged 38, following a Service  
in St Giles'

### Burials at Northwood Cemetery

22nd October Joyce (Joy) Robinson, aged 90, following a Service  
in St Giles'  
29th October Kimberley Roberts, aged 89, following a Service  
in St Giles'



## ST GILES' CHURCH STREET PRAYER LIST

You would be most welcome to join us each Sunday at St Giles' Church 8.00am and 9.45am services, as we pray for all the people who live or work in a particular road in the Parish as follows:

Dec 2nd	Georgian Close
Dec 9th	Gibson Road
Dec 16th	Gilby Close
Dec 23rd	Gilmore Close
Dec 30th	Glebe Avenue
Jan 6th	Glebe Close
Jan 13th	Greenacres Avenue
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**ST GILES' MU ICKENHAM - A CENTENARY PLUS CELEBRATION**



Deciding to mark the 100+ years of membership of the Mothers Union, a sub committee of St Giles' MU Ickenham held a special celebration on Thursday 12th July 2018 in St Giles' Church Hall, which was an oasis of cool on a very hot day! It consisted of a Service of Thanksgiving and celebration, followed by a buffet lunch for about 54 people, members and guests including Liz Holmes, Willesden Area Vice President and the Rector of St Giles' Revd Felicity Davies and her husband Tony. Revd Helen Asquith, Willesden Area Chaplain conducted the service which included prayers for our linked Dioceses. It also included an excellent comprehensive account of the history of St Giles' Branch given by Ann Ralph.

Lunch was a delicious cold collation, including an ample sufficiency of super flans, pies and cakes made by various members. A large birthday cake, decorated with the MU logo in blue icing was then ceremoniously cut and distributed together with Bucks Fizz, with which we toasted the Mothers Union.

Liz Holmes gave a short talk on the Summer of Hope Appeal to which the raffle money was going and then the raffle was drawn. This together with some donations raised £146.00.

Formalities over, members checked their table quiz answers and took in the interesting and diverse display of Branch memorabilia assembled by Ann Ralph. Freda Kneale read some amusing "Typists errors" from church publications and then coffee was served. At about 3pm we dispersed, taking with us happy memories of a delightful celebration, determined to continue the good fellowship and work of the MU.

Many thanks go to Revd Ken Tombs for taking the photos, to Jenny Reid, Brenda Baxter and Janet Schlacter for organising the event and to Mary Barralet for playing the piano. ANN DIXON

**TREE OF REMEMBRANCE CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL at ST GILES' CHURCH**

December 7th 6pm-9pm  
December 8th 10am-4pm  
December 9th 9-9.30am & 11-11.30am



Following the death of a loved one, Christmas can be an intensely lonely time. If you want to remember someone dear to you, please visit the Tree of Remembrance in St Giles' Church on 7th, 8th or 9th December at the above times. There you can write the person's name or a message on a star to be hung on the tree. The stars will be taken down from the tree at 11.30am on 9th December and placed in the Prayer Chapel where they will stay until after Christmas. During this time we will give thanks to God for those named on the stars and pray for those who are missing them.

**SHOEBOX APPEAL**

Thank you very much to everyone in Ickenham who contributed to the Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child shoebox appeal. As a result of your generosity 68 children will receive a filled shoebox which will make them exceedingly happy. The shoeboxes were collected from the URC on 9th November to start their journey overseas. DOROTHY VICKERY

**URC Coffee, Cakes and Christmas Bargains!**

The URC Coffee Morning on **Saturday 1st December, 10am-12noon** (admission free), will feature Christmas presents and other seasonal items at HALF their previous prices, along with the usual delicious homemade cakes. Please don't miss it!

**CAROL SINGING FOR SAVE THE CHILDREN**

On Saturday 22nd December at 10.30am, a group from St Giles' Church will meet at the Village Hall in Swakeleys Road for carol singing outside the shops. After singing for 40 minutes, there will be a break for coffee and mince pies in the St Giles' Church Hall, followed by another half hour of singing. With Father Christmas in attendance, we hope to raise a considerable amount for Save the Children. Anyone is welcome to come along. Further details from Jenny Reid on 01895 633130.



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Home-Start supports as many families as possible but we are limited by the number of trained volunteers available. We need more volunteers. If you are a parent or grandparent and you think you could help Home-start support local families, contact us today to find out about our next volunteer preparation course. Full training (10 sessions), support and out of pocket expenses are provided. To find out more, visit our website [www.homestart-hillingdon.org.uk](http://www.homestart-hillingdon.org.uk) or contact us on 01895 252804 or email [office@homestart-hillingdon.org.uk](mailto:office@homestart-hillingdon.org.uk)

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## ICKENHAM FESTIVE COMMUNITY NIGHT

Again, this year, Ickenham will have its own special Christmas celebration night. The Ickenham Festive Community Night, on Friday 7th December 2018, from 6.00pm-9.00pm, will feature a wide range of music, activities, fun and shopping. In and around Swakeleys Road, Ickenham Village Hall, St Giles' and the URC Church Halls, Community Close and Glebe Avenue there will be many local voluntary organisations and charities, with music, games, festive sales and information on a Christmas theme. All around the Ickenham shopping area many local shops will stay open late and will feature special attractions, hospitality and fun. Local restaurants and pubs will be running special events. Details on how to get involved are available at [www.IckenhamFestival.org.uk](http://www.IckenhamFestival.org.uk) or call or text on 07516 984514.

With the aid of the London Borough of Hillingdon, and matching support from Ickenham Festival, there will once again be Christmas themed lights in and around the village. *The Ickenham Festive Community Night is co-ordinated by the Ickenham Festival Team as part of our voluntary support of the community in Ickenham.*

DOUG NEILSEN, CHAIRMAN ICKENHAM FESTIVAL TEAM



## ALL GOOD THINGS...

I believe it was Chaucer who wrote, "All good things must come to an end" - and indeed life has moved on for each one of the wonderful volunteer team here at the *Ickenham Church News*. Most of them are standing down from their roles with this publication. The *ICN* was named recently as one of the "50 Best Things about Ickenham" and if you're like me, you won't want it to end. We now need volunteers to keep the *ICN* going into 2019 and beyond. A number of wonderful people have come forward for most roles including a few who are interested in being part of an editing team - but we still need a main editor responsible for editing copy, images and sending the print ready version to the printers. Let's continue to 'big up' Ickenham! If you would like to be part of a new *ICN* team, please contact John Miller (01895 904556) or Felicity Davies (01895 622970) to find out more. If "All GOOD things must come to an end..." then let us hope it is to make way for BETTER things to happen because the BEST is yet to come!

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FULL details of all events are on the FE Calendar on at [www.ickenhamchurchnews.co.uk](http://www.ickenhamchurchnews.co.uk)

<p><b>ARGOSY PLAYERS PRESENTS</b> "Treasure Island the Pantomime" Winston Churchill Theatre Ruislip 17th and 18th January 7:30pm, 19th 1:30pm and 5pm, 20th 12noon and 3:30pm Adults £15 (concessions £12.50) Groups (10 or more) £13.30 (£11.00 concessions) Tickets 0845 8389058 / 01895 250615 or <a href="mailto:www.boxoffice@argosyplayers.org.uk">www.boxoffice@argosyplayers.org.uk</a> Book online at <a href="http://www.hillingdontheatres.uk">www.hillingdontheatres.uk</a></p>	<p><b>ANGLO GERMAN CLUB</b> 4th Thursday in the month, 7.30pm-9.30pm Bernard Chapman Room, St Giles' Church Contact: Irene Anderson 0208 429 1921</p>
<p><b>ICKENHAM FESTIVAL BURNS NIGHT</b> The Douay Martyrs School, UB10 8QY Saturday 26th January 7.00pm-11.00pm Live music with a ceilidh band, a caller and a Piper Haggis supper, dancing, Burns poetry reading Tickets online, by post or by callers Full details on the Ickenham Festival website Details Doug Neilson: 0751 6984514 <a href="http://www.ickenhamfestival.org.uk">www.ickenhamfestival.org.uk</a></p>	<p><b>TURKS BADMINTON CLUB</b> Tuesdays 7.45pm- 9.45pm, Vyners Sports Hall We are looking for intermediate level players. Just come along. 4 courts. £8 a session 0773 4022719 or <a href="mailto:john.heyves@blueyonder.co.uk">john.heyves@blueyonder.co.uk</a></p>
<p><b>HILLINGDON LANGUAGE CLUBS</b> Bernard Chapman Room, St Giles' Church Hall, Monthly except July/August, 7.45pm-9.45pm £3/visit or £15/season (October-July) Spanish 1st Thursday: French 2nd Thursday Italian 3rd Thursday Call: Catherine Alderson 0774 8718111</p>	<p><b>OAKEN LEAVES ENGLISH FOLK DANCING CLUB</b> Ruislip Methodist Church Thursdays, 8.15pm-10.00pm No experience necessary. Mixed group. Wear comfortable shoes. Welcome with/without partner. Cost £2 per session (includes refreshments) Details: Marie Cull 01895 254723</p>
<p><b>UXRIDGE &amp; ICKENHAM FLORAL ARTS SOCIETY</b> Ickenham Village Hall 2nd Thursday in the month, 7.30pm-9.00pm Themed flower arranging demo - £5 visitors Contact: 0797 7546621</p>	<p><b>ST MARTIN'S LUNCHEON CLASSICAL CONCERTS</b> 4th Wednesday in the month, 12.15pm St Martin's Church Hall, HA4 6DG Every month except July, August and December Retiring Collection, Details: 01895 625456</p>
<p><b>HILLINGDON FRIENDSHIP CENTRE</b> 2nd Monday in the month, 2.00pm-4.00pm St Giles' Church Hall December 10th: A Very Special Christmas Tea Everyone welcome. Contact: 01895 674693</p>	<p><b>ICKENHAM AFTERNOON TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD</b> 4th Wednesday in the month, 2.00pm-4.00pm St Giles' Church Hall Details: Jennifer Thompson 01895 634851</p>
<p><b>ICKENHAM CHURCHES' WOMEN'S GROUP</b> 1st Thursday in the month, 8.00pm Hardwick Room, URC Contact: Diana Holland 01895 636344 Everyone welcome</p>	<p><b>ICKENHAM ART SOCIETY</b> Every Thursday, 7.30pm The Scout Hut, Community Close, Ickenham Please support your local Art Society New members welcome <a href="http://www.ickenhamart.co.uk">www.ickenhamart.co.uk</a> or 0208 866 0875</p>
<p><b>MESSY CHURCH</b> Third Saturday of every month, 4.00pm-6.00pm St Giles' Church Hall Messy family fun, worship, activities, singing, crafts and food! Free event - Donations welcome Details: Emma Taylor 0746 9841886</p>	<p><b>BUTTERFLIES</b> Ickenham Village Hall, UB10 8DG December 1st: 10.00am-12noon FREE admission to our Christmas Community Coffee Morning. Refreshments with a variety of stalls. Contact: Vera 01895 635224</p>
<p><b>ST GILES' CHRISTMAS MARKET</b> St Giles' Church Hall 7th December 6:00pm-9:00pm 8th December 10:00am-12noon Entrance 50p for adults, children free Further info: Joyce Arnold 01895 672987</p>	<p><b>HILLINGDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA CHRISTMAS CONCERT</b> Oak Wood School, Sutton Court Road, UB10 0EX 15th December 2018 7.30pm-09.45pm Tickets £12 (Conc. £10, Children 11-16 £5, u11s free) Family ticket £22. A selection of seasonal favourites and carols for audience participation, to also include performances by Oak Farm Junior School Choir and Oak Wood School Choir. HPO Leader: Lucy Cumming. Conductor: Peter J. Williams. Tickets available from Pro Music International Ltd., 19 Swakeleys Road, Ickenham and on the door. <a href="http://www.hillingdonphil.btck.co.uk">www.hillingdonphil.btck.co.uk</a> Box Office: 01895 674223</p>
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<p><b>ICKENHAM FESTIVE COMMUNITY NIGHT</b> Around Ickenham Village Centre, Community Close and Glebe Avenue Friday 7th December 6.00pm-9.00pm Featuring a wide range of music, activities, games, Christmas lights and festive sales from local shops and many local voluntary organisations and charities Details and how to get involved are available from <a href="http://www.ickenhamfestival.org.uk">www.ickenhamfestival.org.uk</a> or call or text on 0751 6 984514</p>	<p><b>URC SUNDAY CLUB</b> 2nd Sunday monthly (not Aug.) 3.00pm-4.00pm United Reformed Church Next Date: December 9th Open to primary aged children and accompanied pre-schoolers. Fun and Games, Crafts, Drinks and Biscuits, Bible stories, songs and quizzes. Entry free - come and join us Contact: Heather Piper 0790 0828059</p>



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