

MERTON COLLEGE CHAPEL



HILARY TERM
2012

MERTON COLLEGE CHAPEL is open to all as a place of worship and quiet reflection. Members of the College, as well as visitors, are welcome to join us at all our services. The Chapel is part of the Church of England but the daily offering of worship is sustained by Christians from many different traditions. If you would like to read or serve in the Chapel, please contact one of the Chapel Wardens, the Chapel Clerk or the Chaplain.

The College's **CHORAL FOUNDATION** came into being in 2008. The College Choir sings on Sunday and Wednesday evenings. This term's Services Booklet contains details of the music. It can be found on the Chapel and Choir pages of the College website (www.merton.ox.ac.uk) and copies are available in the Ante-Chapel.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

The main service of the week is at **5.45pm** on **Sundays**. Alternating between Evensong and the College Eucharist (Holy Communion), the College Choir sings at this candlelit service, which is followed by drinks and finishes in time for Formal Hall. The Sunday morning service begins at **9.00am** and lasts about half an hour. This quieter, more reflective service alternates between the Eucharist and Morning Prayer, and is followed by breakfast. Our Chapel collections this term will be donated to **Refugee Resource** (www.refugeeresource.org.uk).

WEEKDAY SERVICES

8.15am	Morning Prayer	(Monday to Friday)
12.30pm	Eucharist	(Tuesday)
	<i>followed by lunch in Fellows' 3.2</i>	
6.15pm	Choral Evensong	(Wednesday)
6.30pm	Evening Prayer	(except Wednesday)

SHROVE TUESDAY

Tuesday 21 February (6th week) is Shrove Tuesday, when we commemorate our Founder, Walter de Merton. There will be a special **Evensong** at **6.00pm** in addition to the 12.30pm Eucharist.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Lent begins on Wednesday 22 February (6th week). There will be a **Sung Eucharist** with Imposition of Ashes at **1.00pm**, at which the choir will sing Allegri's *Miserere*.

COMPLINE

At 10.00pm on Monday 27 February (7th week) the College Choir will sing Compline (Night Prayer) by candlelight.

SIGNS and WONDERINGS: theology for non-theologians This popular discussion group continues at 5.00pm on Fridays of 3rd-7th weeks. Tea and cake. All welcome. Further details from Mark Stafford.

FILM EVENING At 8.00pm on Monday of 5th week (13 February) we'll be showing *Le Quattro Volte* in the TS Eliot Theatre.

CANON ANDREW WHITE, the 'Vicar of Baghdad', will be at Merton on Tuesday 28 February to meet members of College and discuss the political and religious situation in Iraq. Further details from Simon.

CHRISTIAN UNION and **CATHSOC** The OICCU mission, *This is Jesus* (www.thisisjesus.org), will take place in 4th week. This term's Cathsoc Mass is at 6.15pm on Thursday 16 February (5th week).

COLLEGE CONTACTS

<i>Chapel Wardens</i>	Kristine Merriman Alice Brooke	<i>Sacristans</i>	Marie Sall Joe Hutchinson
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<i>Chapel Clerk</i>	Jonathan Burr
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<i>Reed Rubin Directors of Music</i>	Benjamin Nicholas Peter Phillips	<i>Organ Scholar</i>	Anna Stepler
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<i>Pastoral Assistants</i>	Alice Whalley James Gwyn-Thomas	Antony Dutton
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<i>Christian Union</i>	Peter Mahony	<i>RC Reps</i>	Jess Odone / Luke Hughes
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THE CHAPLAINS

The **College Chaplain**, the Revd Dr **Simon Jones** (Fellows' 3.2, (2)76365), is happy to speak in confidence with any member of College (regardless of religious affiliation) concerning any matter. As well as being responsible for services in the Chapel, Simon also co-ordinates the welfare provision in College and convenes the Student Support Committee.

The **Junior Chaplains** are the Revd **Peter Anthony** (peter.anthony@ssho.ox.ac.uk) and the Revd **Mark Stafford** (mark.stafford@merton.ox.ac.uk). Peter is a doctoral student and Junior Dean at St Stephen's House. Mark is curate of the parish of St Barnabas, Jericho. He is normally available to see people in College on Fridays.

*Cover: east window (15th century)
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