

MERTON COLLEGE OXFORD

CHAPEL

SERVICES and MUSIC TRINITY TERM 2024

Merton College Chapel

Merton College was founded by Walter de Merton on 14 September 1264. Worship has been offered in the College Chapel for over seven hundred years. Today the Chapel is home to a lively and diverse Christian community which continues this faithful offering of worship with daily services during term. Visitors are welcome to join members of the College at all our services.

The Chapel is part of the Church of England, within the world-wide Anglican Communion, and the Archbishop of Canterbury is the College's Visitor. All those who are communicant members of their own church are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us.

A Choral Foundation was established at Merton in 2008. The College Choir, directed by Benjamin Nicholas, sings on Sundays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Its patron is Peter Phillips, the founder and director of The Tallis Scholars. Members of College and Friends of the Choir can purchase the College Choir's recordings and Benjamin Nicholas' organ discs at a discounted price from the Verger (jennifer.crompton@merton.ox.ac.uk). Copies are also available from the Porters' Lodge and the College website (www.merton.ox.ac.uk).

Girl choristers from a variety of local schools were admitted to the Choral Foundation in 2016, and sing Vespers on Mondays and Evensong on Wednesdays.

The Chapel supports a number of charities throughout the year. Our Chapel collections this term will be donated to *Christian Aid*, a partnership of people, churches and local organisations committed to ending poverty worldwide.

Simon Jones Chaplain

TRINITY TERM 2024

APRIL

20 Saturday

6.00pm Choral Evensong

in celebration of the 10th Anniversary

of the Dobson Organ

Prelude Intrada Grayston Ives

Responses *Martin* Psalms 23, 27

Canticles Gloucester Service Howells

Anthem Christiani, plaudite *Martin* (first performance)

Hymn 120

Voluntary Spitfire Prelude and Fugue Walton arr. Winpenny

7.30pm Dobson 10th Anniversary Gala Concert

played by Olivier Latry

21 The Fourth Sunday of Easter (1st week)

9.00am Morning Prayer5.45pm Choral Eucharist

Prelude Variation IV "O Filii et Filiae"

Cochereau tr. Lombard

Setting Missa "Bell' Amfitrit' Altera" Lassus

Psalm 23

Motet Easter Vaughan Williams

Hymns 'Good Christians all', 104, 113 Preacher The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones

Chaplain

Voluntary Gloria (Missa de Gloria) Leighton

8.15am Morning Prayer6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan Panufnik

Responses *Plainsong* Hymn 101 (omit*)

Psalm 114

Magnificat Berkshire Service Archer

Anthem Long since in Egypt's plenteous land *Parry* Voluntary Erschienen ist der herrlich' Tag *Reger*

23 St George, Patron of England (Tuesday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Moderato allant et bien lié Op. 98 No. 1 Koechlin

Responses *Martin* Psalms 3, 11

Canticles Sumsion in G

Anthem Light out of darkness *Elgar* Hymn 'Red cross upon a field of white'

Voluntary Allegro from Sonata in F major Wq 70 No. 3

CPE Bach

24 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Adagio from Concerto in C BWV 594ii JS Bach

Responses Clucas
Psalms 47, 48
Canticles Wood in D

Anthem Since by man came death Handel

Hymn 119 (omit*)

Voluntary Allegro from Concerto in C BWV 594iii JS Bach

25 St Mark the Evangelist (Thursday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Peter King

6.15pm Choral Evensong Prelude Nocturne *Brown*

Responses *Martin*Psalm 45

Canticles Merton Service Frances-Hoad Anthem Christiani, plaudite Martin

Hymn 486

Voluntary Force et agilité des Corps Glorieux Messiaen

26 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

27 Saturday

6.00pm Choral Evensong for the

University Choral Open Day

Prelude Meditation Bairstow

Responses Ayleward

Psalm 84

Canticles Brewer in D

Anthem My beloved spake Hadley

Hymn 427

Voluntary Incantation pour un jour Saint Langlais

28 The Fifth Sunday of Easter (2nd week)

9.00am Eucharist

5.45pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Jesus Christ unser Heiland Scheidemann

Introit Alleluia Taverner

Responses Ayleward

Psalm 96

Canticles Service for Trebles Weelkes

Anthem Dum transisset Sabbatum Taverner

Hymns 117, 115, 381

Preacher The Very Revd Michael Tavinor

Dean Emeritus of Hereford

Voluntary Variation V "O Filii et Filiae"

Cochereau tr. Lombard

29 Monday

St Catherine 8.15am Morning Prayer of Siena 6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Allemande from Suite in D Minor de la Guerre

Responses Plainsong

Hymn 222 Psalm 105

Magnificat Primi toni

Anthem Who can express Wesley

Voluntary Minuet from Suite in D Minor de la Guerre

30 Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Un peu plus calme et très expressif Op. 98 No. 2

Koechlin

Responses *Martin*Psalms 96, 97

Canticles Oriel Service *Bingham*Anthem The Revival *Rubbra*

Hymn 'Sometimes a light surprises'

Voluntary Largo from Sonata in F major Wq 70 No. 3

CPE Bach

MAY

1 St Philip and St James, Apostles (Wednesday)

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Andantino in F Minor Bridge

Responses *Clucas*Psalm 149

Canticles Sumsion in A

Anthem O quam gloriosum Victoria

Hymn 164

Voluntary Ut re mi fa sol la Byrd

St 8.15am Morning Prayer

Athanasius 1.15pm Organ Recital by François Cloete

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Voluntary in C *Tomkins*

Responses *Smith* Psalm 104

Canticles Second Service Byrd

Anthem Ego flos campi Clemens non Papa

Hymn 432 (omit*)

Voluntary Allegro from Concerto in C BWV 594i Bach

3 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

4 Saturday

English 5.00pm Choral Evensong sung by the

saints & Girl Choristers of Lincoln Cathedral and

Martyrs Merton College, Oxford

of the Prelude Fantasia in G Byrd

Reformation Responses Plainsong

Psalm 118

Canticles Dyson in C minor

Anthem Who can express Wesley

Hymn 199

Voluntary Allegro molto e ritmico (Sonata Brittanica)

Stanford

5 The Sixth Sunday of Easter (3rd week)

9.00am Morning Prayer5.45pm Choral Eucharist

Prelude Offertoire from Messe de la Pentecôte *Messiaen*Setting Missa in honorem Sancti Dominici *Rubbra*

Psalm 98

Motet Beatus vir Monteverdi

Hymns 103, 296, 124

Preacher The Revd Dr Melanie Harrington-Haynes

Vicar, St Philip & All Saints and St Luke's, Kew

Voluntary Toccata Frances-Hoad

6 Monday

Rogation 8.15am Morning Prayer
Day 6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Prelude in the form of a Minuet Stanford

Responses *Plainsong* Hymn 101 (omit*)

Psalm 121 Magnificat *Sumsion*

Anthem O that I once past changing were *Berkeley* Voluntary Kommt her zu mir, spricht Gottes Sohn

Matthews

7 Tuesday

Rogation 8.15am Morning Prayer

Day 12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong sung jointly with

the Choir of The Crypt School, Gloucester

Prelude Consécration from Messe de la Pentecôte

Messiaen

Responses *Smith*Psalm 150

Canticles Stanford in C

Anthem Let all the world Vaughan Williams

Hymn 112

Voluntary Maestoso—Allegro moderato from

Sonata No. 3 Op. 19 Gulbins

8 Wednesday

Julian 8.15am Morning Prayer

of Norwich 6.15pm Choral Evensong on the eve of the

Rogation feast of the Ascension

Day Prelude Fantasia in C Byrd

Responses *Byrd*Psalms 15, 24

Canticles Short Service Gibbons

Anthem O God, the King of glory Gibbons

Hymn 134

Voluntary Toccata nona Frescobaldi

9 ASCENSION DAY (Thursday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12 noon Singing from the Tower

1.15pm Organ Recital by Donal McCann

6.00pm Choral Eucharist attended by members of

the congregation of the University Church

Prelude Alleluias sereins d'une âme qui désire le ciel

Messiaen

Setting Mass for Double Choir Martin

Motet Ascendit Deus *Philips*Hymns 130 (omit*), 446, 271
Preacher The Revd Naomi Gardom

Assistant Curate, University Church of

St Mary the Virgin

Voluntary Transports de joie Messiaen

10 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12 The Seventh Sunday of Easter (4th Week)

9.00am Eucharist

5.45pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Fantasia "Dorian" Sweelinck

Introit Ascendit Deus Philips

Responses *Smith*Psalm 147.1-11
Canticles *Stanford* in A

Anthem Viri Galilaei Gowers

Hymns 352, 'Hail, thou once despised Jesus',

'Christ triumphant'

Preacher The Revd Canon Prof Mark Chapman

Vice-Principal & Academic Dean

Ripon College, Cuddesdon

Voluntary Toccata Andriessen

8.15am Morning Prayer6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Canzona seconda Frescobaldi

Responses *Plainsong* Hymn 138 Psalm 18

Magnificat Frances-Hoad

Anthem Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace *Boyle*

Voluntary Interlude Harris

14 St Matthias the Apostle (Tuesday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Très adagio Op. 98 No. 3 Koechlin

Responses Clucas Psalm 80

Canticles Watson in E

Anthem Justorum animae Lassus

Hymn 165

Voluntary Communion from Messe de la Pentecôte

Messiaen

15 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Ave Maris Stella I "When the Salutation Gabriel

had Spoken" Op. 18 No. 6 Dupré

Responses *Clucas* Psalms 36, 46

Canticles Short Service Weelkes

Anthem Cantique de Jean Racine Fauré

Hymn 342

Voluntary Ave Maris Stella II "Jesus tender Mother,

make Thy Supplication" Op. 18 No. 7 Dupré

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Owen Chan

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Canzone Op 63 No 3 Reger

Responses *Clucas*Psalm 139

Canticles Magnificat Chilcott

Nunc Dimittis Esquivel

Anthem And when the builders *Rubbra*

Hymn 140

Voluntary Prelude and Fugue Op 69 Rubbra

17 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

19 Pentecost (5th week)

9.00am Morning Prayer

5.45pm Choral Eucharist with

Baptism and Confirmation

Prelude Improvisation in the style of Vierne

Setting Missa Sancti Nicolai Haydn

Motets Ubi caritas Duruflé

Loquebantur variis linguis *Tallis*

Hymns 137, 446, 142, 431

Preacher The Rt Revd Dr Steven Croft

Bishop of Oxford

Voluntary Sortie from Messe de la Pentecôte Messiaen

Alcuin of 8.15am Morning PrayerYork 6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier BWV 633 JS Bach

Responses Plainsong
Hymn 223
Psalm 127
Magnificat Dyson

Anthem If with all your hearts *Mendelssohn*

Voluntary Interlude in F Major Brewer

21 Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Offertoire Op. 98 No. 4 Koechlin

Responses *Smith*Psalms 134, 135

Canticles *Purcell* in G minor Anthem Greater love *Ireland*

Hymn 378

Voluntary Allegretto from Sonata in F major Wq 70 No. 3

CPE Bach

22 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Was mein Gott will, das g'scheh allzeit Butt

Responses *Plainsong*Psalm 136

Canticles Merton Service for Trebles *Frances-Hoad*Anthem The Lord bless you and keep you *Rutter*

Hymn 339

Voluntary Mode de sol (Pièces Modales) Langlais

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Benjamin Nicholas

6.15pm Choral Evensong Prelude His Humour *Farnaby*

Responses Smith

Psalms 138, 140, 141

Canticles Fifth Service Tomkins

Anthem See, see the word is incarnate Gibbons

Hymn 467

Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in A BWV 536 JS Bach

24 Friday

John & 8.15am Morning Prayer

Charles 6.00pm Roman Catholic Mass

Wesley

26 Trinity Sunday (6th week)

9.00am Eucharist

5.45pm Choral Evensong

Prelude "Dieu est simple et les Trois sont Un" from

Méditations sur le mystère de la Sainte Trinité

Messiaen

Introit Libera nos, salva nos *Churcher* (first performance)

Responses *Smith*Psalms 104.1-9

Canticles Rubbra in A flat

Anthem Te Deum (Collegium Regale) Howells

Hymns 146, 410, 373

Preacher The Revd Canon Leanne Roberts

Dean of Clergy Wellbeing, Diocese of Southwark

Voluntary Free Fantasia on "O Zion, Haste" and

"How Firm a Foundation" Bolcom

8.15am Morning Prayer6.30pm Evening Prayer

28 Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Olux beata Trinitas Praetorius

Responses *Byrd* Psalms 9, 10

Canticles Fauxbourdons *Byrd*Anthem Eternitie *Rubbra*

Hymn 250

Voluntary Le Saint-Esprit Langlais

29 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

6.15pm Choral Evensong and Benediction

on the eve of the feast of Corpus Christi

Prelude Le Banquet Céleste Messiaen

Introit Cibavit eos Byrd

Responses *Byrd*Psalm 110

Canticles Dorian Service Tallis

Motet O sacrum convivium Tallis

Benediction O salutaris Dupré

Tantum ergo Vierne

Hymns 169 (part 1), 307

Voluntary O sacrum convivium Hakim

30 **CORPUS CHRISTI** (Thursday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Martin Baker

6.00pm Choral Eucharist

Prelude Récit from Pange Lingua De Grigny

Setting Mass for Four Voices *Byrd*Motet Ave verum corpus *Byrd*

Hymns 310, 296

Preacher The Revd Lyndon Webb

Associate Chaplain

Voluntary En taille and fugue from Pange Lingua De Grigny

30 The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth (Friday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

JUNE

1 Saturday

St Justin, 3.00pm Memorial Service for Dr Dominic Welsh martyr

2 First Sunday after Trinity (7th week)

9.00am Morning Prayer5.45pm Choral Eucharist

Prelude Improvisation in the style of Messiaen

Setting Missa Pro Victoria Victoria

Psalm 81.1-11

Motet O salutaris hostia Tallis

Hymns 351, 368, 420

Preacher The Revd Lyndon Webb

Associate Chaplain

Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in C BWV 547 Bach

8.15am Morning Prayer **6.00pm** Choral Vespers

Prelude Fantasie in C Pachelbel

Responses Plainsong

Hymn 150 Psalm 28

Magnificat Owens

Anthem Brother James's Air Bain arr. Jacob

Voluntary Toccata in F Pachelbel

4 Tuesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong Prelude Soliloquy *Rowley*

Responses Shephard

Psalms 33

Canticles Dyson in F

Anthem For lo, I raise up Stanford

Hymn 331

Voluntary Fantasie in E-flat major Saint-Saëns

5 Wednesday

St Boniface 8.15am Morning Prayer of Crediton 6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Prelude on East Acklam Jackson

Responses *Clucas*Psalm 119.33-56

Canticles Stanford in B flat

Anthem I love all beauteous things Weir

Hymn 219

Voluntary Nun ruhen alle Wälder Van Oortmerssen

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Polina Sosnina

6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Prelude Sumsion

Responses *Shephard* Psalms 39, 40

Canticles Sumsion in G

Anthem The Lord hath been mindful of us Wesley

Hymn 336

Voluntary Choral Song Wesley

7 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

9 Second Sunday after Trinity (8th week)

9.00am Eucharist 10.30am Matins

sung by the College Choir at All Souls'

5.45pm Leavers' Service

Prelude Ave Maris Stella III "So now as we Journey,

aid our weak endeavor" Op. 18 No. 8 Dupré

Introit Libera nos, salva nos Sheppard

Responses *Shephard*Psalm 37.1-11

Canticles Gloucester Service Howells

Anthems The Twelve Walton

The Lord bless you and keep you Rutter

Hymns 'O God, beyond all praising', 353, 408

Preacher The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones

Chaplain

Voluntary Fantasia and Fugue in G Op. 188 Parry

8.15am Morning Prayer6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude Fantasia in G Scheidemann

Responses *Plainsong* Hymn 150 Psalm 47

Magnificat octavi toni

Anthem How beautiful are the feet Handel

Voluntary Canzona in C Weckmann

11 St Barnabas the Apostle (Tuesday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Étoile du soir *Vierne*

Responses Shephard Psalm 147

Canticles Second Service *Leighton*Anthem Faire is the heaven *Harris*

Hymn 167

Voluntary Prelude and Fugue on a theme of Vittoria Britten

12 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Mode de ré (Pièces Modales) Langlais

Responses Plainsong
Psalm s 59, 60, 67
Canticles Sumsion in G

Anthem A song of wisdom *Stanford*Hymn 'O Christ the Word incarnate'

Voluntary Toccata in seven Rutter

8.15am Morning Prayer

1.15pm Organ Recital by Anna Steppler

6.15pm Choral Evensong Prelude Pastoral Sumsion

Responses *Shephard*Psalms 61, 62, 64

Canticles Merton Service Ešenvalds

Anthem Lord, thou hast been our refuge Bairstow

Hymn 252

Voluntary Pomp and Circumstance March No. 4 Elgar

14 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

SUMMER VACATION

JUNE

17 Monday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.00pm Choral Vespers

Prelude An Impression *Brewer*

Responses *Plainsong* Hymn 150 Psalm 72

Magnificat Tonus Peregrinus

Anthem How can I keep from singing? *Scott*Voluntary Von Gott will ich nicht lassen *Hough*

19 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer6.15pm Choral Evensong

Prelude Air (Suite No.1 for Organ) Price

Responses *Clucas*Psalms 119.81-104

Canticles Collegium Regale *Howells*Anthem Evening Hymn *Balfour Gardiner*

Hymn 362

Voluntary Fantasie-Impromptu Alcock

22 Saturday

St Alban 6.00pm Choral Evensong

first martyr Prelude Ave Maris Stella IV "Amen" Op. 18 No. 9

of Britain

Dupré Shephard

Responses *Shephar* Psalms 81, 84

Canticles Stanford in A

Anthem Nocturn *Panufnik* (first performance)

Hymns 476, 427

Voluntary Toccata Macmillan

23 Fourth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am Eucharist

FRIENDS OF THE CHOIR OF MERTON COLLEGE

The Friends of the Choir of Merton College supports the current and future activities of the College Choir (including our Girl Choristers).

Friends receive regular newsletters from the Director of Music, reduced ticket prices on selected concerts and invitations to Friends' events.

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CHAPEL SERVICES

Sundays		
	9.00am	College Eucharist / Morning Prayer
		followed by breakfast in Hall
Į	5.45pm	Choral Evensong / Choral Eucharist
		followed by drinks in the Ante-Chapel
Weekdays		
8	8.15am	Morning Prayer (Monday to Friday)
	12.30pm	Eucharist (Tuesday) followed by lunch
(6.00pm	Choral Vespers (Monday)
(6.15pm	Choral Evensong (Tuesday, Wednesday
		and Thursday)

Sundave

CHAPEL TEAM

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The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones

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The Revd Lyndon Webb

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