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 Chaplains or another member of the Chapel Team.

CHORAL FOUNDATION The College Choir sings on Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday evenings, and our Girl Choristers sing on Wednesdays. 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 the Oxford Winter Night Shelter.

WEEKDAY SERVICES

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ALL SOULS At 5.30pm on Sunday 4 November (5th week) the College Choir will sing the Mozart Requiem as we commemorate the departed. A list will be placed in the Ante-Chapel for the names of friends and family to be remembered.

COMPLINE At 10.00pm on Wednesday 7 November (5th week) Compline (Night Prayer) will be sung by candlelight.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY In addition to the 9.00am and 5.45pm services on 11 November (6th week), there will be a short Act of Remembrance at 10.50am at the College War Memorial under the Fitzjames Arch. This will include the laying of wreaths and two minutes’ silence. All of the services on this Sunday will mark the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War.

BOOKS WITH CAKE On Fridays from 5.00pm-6.00pm (2nd to 7th weeks) in the Hawkins Room (Fellows’ 3.7) we gather for our book group: great discussion, friends, and yes, delicious cake! This term we will be reading and discussing Édouard Louis’ important and critically acclaimed novel The End of Eddy. Books are provided for free to anyone who would like to join us. Contact Jarred for more information.
SERVICES AND PREACHERS
SUNDAYS AT 5.45PM

7 October  Freshers’ Service  The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer
Trinity 19  Associate Chaplain

14 October  Eucharist  The Revd Claire Robson
Trinity 20  Director of Ordinands, Diocese of Newcastle

21 October  Evensong and Dr Rachel Buxton
Trinity 21  Commemoration Senior Tutor
of Benefactors

28 October  Evensong  The Revd Canon Dr Judith Maltby
St Simon & St Jude, Apostles  Chaplain, Corpus Christi College

4 November  Eucharist (5.30pm)  Mozart Requiem
4 before Advent

11 November  Evensong  The Revd Canon Dr Philip Anderson
Remembrance Sunday  Vicar of Pemberton and Area Dean of Wigan

18 November  Corporate  The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones
2 before Advent  Communion  Chaplain

25 November  Advent Carol Service  Christ the King

CORPORATE COMMUNION - Sunday 18 November
At this service all members of College are invited to worship together. The service is
followed by the termly Chapel Dinner in the Savile Room.

ADVENT CAROLS  This year’s candlelit Advent Carol Services will take place at
5.45pm on Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 November.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS  There will be a traditional Christmas Carol Service at
8.30pm on Thursday 29 November.

BAPTISM and CONFIRMATION  If you would like to discuss the possibility of
being baptized and / or confirmed in the Chapel, have a word with one of the Chaplains.

CHRISTIAN UNION & CATHSOC  This term’s reps are Eleanor Coomber and
Hannah Smith (CU) and Lydia Buckingham (RC). The termly RC Mass is at 6.15pm on
Friday 12 October (1st week).
SOCIAL JUSTICE FAIR  On 12 October from 10.30am-3.30pm we will be holding a Social Justice Fair in the Ante-Chapel. Charities from around the city will be present to meet you, answer questions, and tell you how you can get involved and give back during your time in Oxford. All are welcome. Don’t miss it!

MERTON CONVERSATIONS IN FAITH AND CULTURE  On Wednesday 24 October (3rd week) renowned poet, theologian, author, and leader of the Corrymeela community in Northern Ireland Pádraig Ó Tuama, will speak on ‘Poetry as Prayer’. TS Eliot Theatre at 5.00 followed by drinks. We will then gather at the King’s Arms from 8.30pm for a night of poetry readings, discussion, and good company.

CHAPEL TEAM

Student Chapel
Victor Ajuwon  Adrian Burbie  Molly Clark
Tim Foot  Margaret Frainier  Henry Grub
Rob Lentz  Tom Lousada  Beth McCullagh
Gian Piero Milani  Thomas Nightingale  Oliver Pateman
Audrey Southgate

Reed Rubin Organist  and Director of Music
Benjamin Nicholas  Assistant Organist  Alex Little

Organ Scholar
Tom Fetherstonhaugh

Pastoral Assistants
Dominik Chmielewski  Verger  Leah Collins
Catherine Haydon
Sebastian Jones  Administrator  Sarah Cotterill

THE CHAPLAINS

The College Chaplain, the Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones (Fellows’ 3.2, simon.jones@merton.ox.ac.uk), is happy to speak in confidence with any member of College (regardless of religious affiliation) concerning any matter. As well as being responsible for the Chapel, Simon also co-ordinates the welfare provision in College and chairs the Student Support Committee.

The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer (Fellows’ 3.9, jarred.mercer@merton.ox.ac.uk) is the Associate Chaplain. Jarred has particular responsibility for pastoral care within the Chapel community, for leading the discussion groups, and developing new initiatives.

Full details of all Chapel and Choir activities can be found on the College website and we also have our own Facebook pages and Twitter feeds.

To join the Chapel email list, send a message to jarred.mercer@merton.ox.ac.uk

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