



MERTON
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CHAPEL

TRINITY TERM 2019

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 Choristers, often with Lay Clerks, sing on Wednesdays. The choristers are drawn from a number of different schools across Oxford. 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 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 **Christian Aid** (www.christianaid.org.uk).

WEEKDAY SERVICES

8.15am	Morning Prayer	(Monday - Friday)
12.30pm	Eucharist	(Tuesday)
6.15pm	Choral Evensong	(Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday)
6.30pm	Evening Prayer	(Monday)

ASCENSION DAY

Thursday 30 May	12 noon	Tower Service
(5th week)	6.00pm	Sung Eucharist <i>a joint service with the University Church</i>

MERTON FAITH FORUM: living the questions - a relaxed and open space in which to discuss issues of faith, doubt, belief, unbelief, and everything in between. Perhaps you are someone who never thought about faith or deeper questions of life, purpose, or spirituality before, or maybe you are someone raised in a deeply religious household. Wherever you find yourself, if you would be interested in getting together with others to think about what faith might look like in our world today, this group is for you. All are welcome. Let Jarred know if you are interested, and look out for times and dates.

SERVICES AND PREACHERS SUNDAYS AT 5.45PM

28 April <i>Easter 2</i>	Easter Carol Service	The Revd Canon Leah Vasey-Saunders <i>Canon Precentor, Wakefield Cathedral</i>
5 May <i>Easter 3</i>	Evensong	The Revd Philippa White <i>Succentor, Christ Church, Oxford</i>
12 May <i>Easter 4</i>	Eucharist with Baptism and Confirmation	The Rt Revd Dr John Inge <i>Bishop of Worcester</i>
19 May <i>Easter 5</i>	Evensong	The Revd Sam Carter <i>Curate, All Souls, Eastbourne</i>
26 May <i>Easter 6</i>	Eucharist	The Revd Canon Dr Angus Ritchie <i>Director, The Centre for Theology and Community</i>
2 June <i>Easter 7</i>	Evensong	The Revd Prof David Fergusson <i>University of Edinburgh</i>
9 June <i>Pentecost</i>	Corporate Communion	The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer <i>Associate Chaplain</i>
16 June <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	Leavers' Service	The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones <i>Chaplain</i>

CORPORATE COMMUNION - Sunday 9 June

All members of College are invited to worship together at our Corporate Communion. The service is followed by the termly Chapel Dinner in the Savile Room.

BAPTISM and CONFIRMATION

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

CHRISTIAN UNION and **CATHSOC** This term's reps are Alex Beukers and Joseph Rhee (CU) and Lydia Buckingham (RC). The termly RC Mass is at 6.15pm on Friday 3 May (1st week).

BOOKS WITH CAKE On Fridays from 5.00pm-6.00pm (2nd—7th weeks) in the Hawkins Room (Fellows' 3.7), we will be reading Daisy Johnson's Man Booker Prize shortlisted *Everything Under*. Copies of the book are available —so just ask! Contact Jarred for more information.

COUNTRYSIDE WALK We will be planning a countryside walk this term. This is an excellent way to get out of the city a bit for some fresh air, good exercise, and great company (and to enjoy some Trinity Term weather!). Stay tuned for date and time.

CHAPEL TEAM

<i>Student Chapel Officers</i>	Victor Ajuwon Tim Foot Rob Lentz Gian Piero Milani Audrey Southgate	Adrian Burbie Margaret Frainier Tom Lousada Thomas Nightingale	Molly Clark Henry Grub Beth McCullagh Oliver Pateman
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<i>Reed Rubin Organist and Director of Music</i>	Benjamin Nicholas	<i>Assistant Organist</i>	Alex Little
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<i>Organ Scholar</i>	Tom Fetherstonhaugh
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<i>Pastoral Assistant</i>	Catherine Haydon	<i>Verger Administrator</i>	Leah Collins Sarah Cotterill
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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, contact Jarred.*

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