



MERTON
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CHAPEL

TRINITY TERM 2022

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 people 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 sing on Wednesdays. The choristers are drawn from a number of 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.

WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS The main service of the week is at **5.45pm** on **Sundays**. Alternating between Choral Evensong and Choral 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

Wednesday 25 May	6.15pm	Choral Evensong
Thursday 26 May	12 noon	Singing from the Tower
(5th week)	6.00pm	Choral Eucharist <i>a joint service with the University Church</i>

CORPUS CHRISTI (Day of Thanksgiving for the Institution of the Eucharist)

Wednesday 15 June	6.15pm	Choral Evensong & Benediction
Thursday 16 June	6.00pm	Choral Eucharist
(8th week)		

EID CELEBRATION We look forward to welcoming Imam Monawar Hussain and members of the local Muslim community to College on Sunday 8 May. Monawar will give an address at Evensong, and after the service there will be a meal in Hall to celebrate Eid.

SERVICES AND PREACHERS - SUNDAYS AT 5.45PM

24 April <i>Easter 2</i>	Easter Carol Service	The Revd Emma Dinwiddy Smith <i>Vicar, St Mary Abbots, Kensington</i>
1 May <i>Easter 3</i>	Choral Eucharist	The Revd Dr Nicholas Bundock <i>Team Rector, St James & Emmanuel, Didsbury</i>
8 May <i>Easter 4</i>	Choral Evensong	Imam Monawar Hussain <i>Muslim Chaplain, OUH NHS Trust</i>
15 May <i>Easter 5</i>	Choral Eucharist	The Revd Canon Dr Joanna Collicutt <i>Supernumerary Fellow (Psychology of Religion) Harris Manchester College</i>
22 May <i>Easter 6</i>	Choral Evensong	The Revd Canon Dr Jennifer Strawbridge <i>GB Caird Fellow in Theology, Mansfield College</i>
29 May <i>Easter 7</i>	Choral Evensong	The Revd Dr Michael Lloyd <i>Principal, Wycliffe Hall</i>
5 June <i>Pentecost Platinum Jubilee Celebration</i>	Choral Eucharist	Oliver Wright <i>Lay Assistant Chaplain</i>
12 June <i>Trinity Sunday</i>	Leavers' Service	The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones <i>Chaplain</i>

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION & CHAPEL SUPPER

We will be celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee at the Choral Eucharist on Sunday 5 June (7th week). The service will be followed by the termly Chapel Supper in the Savile Room.

BAPTISM and CONFIRMATION

There will be a baptism and confirmation service in the Chapel next term. If you would like to join the group preparing for baptism and confirmation, please have a word with one of the Chaplains.

CHRISTIAN UNION & CATHSOC This term's CU rep is Jonny Rugg. Carl Haller is the RC rep. The termly RC Mass is at 6.00pm on Friday 3 June (6th week).

BOOKS WITH CAKE After an inspiring journey with *Piranesi* last term, this term we will be reading the fast-paced historical novel *Golden Hill* by Francis Spufford (2016), winner of the Costa Book Award (first novel) and the Ondaatje Prize. We meet on Fridays from 3pm-4pm (1st–7th weeks) in the Hawkins Room. Free copies available for anyone who would like to take part. Contact Oly (oliver.wright@merton.ox.ac.uk) for more information.

CHAPEL TEAM

Student Chapel Officers

George Adams	Roheena Buckland	Liv Jenkins
Ebubechukwu Akojie	Pax Butchart	Rachel Jung
Antonia Anstatt	Lizzy Down	Francesca Lovell-Read
Kabir Bakshi	Ellie Garrigan Mattar	Jared Martin
Susie Barrows	Hollie Goodwin	Jana Nedelkoska
Luke Bateman	Carl Haller	Kiana Rezakhanlou
Alex Brown	Lachlan Hughes	Audrey Southgate
		Michael Zajac

Reed Rubin Organist and Director of Music Benjamin Nicholas

Organ Scholars Kentaro Machida
Owen Chan

Chapel Administrator Lizzie Casey

Verger Leah Collins

Livestreaming Technicians Sebastian Dows-Miller
Lizzy Down
Joe Clarke
Shiv Mandal

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.

While Mel is on maternity leave, **Oly Wright** (Fellows' 3.9, oliver.wright@merton.ox.ac.uk) is our **Lay Assistant Chaplain**. Oly has particular responsibility for pastoral care within the Chapel community, for leading the discussion groups, and developing new initiatives.

To join the Chapel email list, send a message to
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