



MERTON
COLLEGE
OXFORD
CHAPEL

SERVICES and MUSIC HILARY TERM 2018

Merton College Chapel

Merton College was founded by Walter de Merton in 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 worldwide 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 (leah.stead@merton.ox.ac.uk). Copies are also available from the Porters' Lodge and the online shop on the College website (www.merton.ox.ac.uk).

The Merton College Girls' Choir was established at the beginning of the last academic year and is the first girls' choir to be set up by an Oxford College. It sings Evensong on Wednesdays during term and, on occasion, performs with the College Choir. Services sung by the Girls' Choir are marked (MCGC).

The Chapel supports a number of charities. Our collections this term will be donated to the Christian charity **Interserve**, for whom Rachel Grandey, a recent Merton graduate, is teaching in Laos.

On 23-25 March the College will hold its ninth Passiontide Festival. *Passiontide at Merton* will include services and concerts in preparation for Holy Week and Easter. Further information is available from the Chapel Administrator and the College website.

Simon Jones
Chaplain

HILARY TERM 2018

JANUARY

- 11 Thursday
5.30pm Eucharist
- 14 The Second Sunday of Epiphany (1st week)
- 9.00am College Eucharist
- 5.45pm Epiphany Carol Service
sung by the College Choir & Girls' Choir
- Prelude Canonic Variations on 'Vom Himmel hoch da komm' ich her' BWV 769 *Bach*
- Introit Angelus *Elgar*
- Carols O Mortal Man (Sussex Mummers Carol)
arr. Howells
Omnes de Saba *Lassus*
The Three Kings *Cornelius arr. Atkins*
Vidi aquam *Plainchant*
A New Year Carol *Britten*
Benedicamus Domino! *Warlock*
- Hymns 30 (omit 2 & 3), 'We three kings', 58,
56 (omit*), 52
- Homily The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones
Chaplain
- Voluntary Épiphanie *Litaize*

- 15 Monday
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| 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| 6.30pm | Evening Prayer |
- 16 Tuesday
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| 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| 12.30pm | Eucharist |
| 6.15pm | Choral Evensong |
| Prelude | Les Mages (from <i>La Nativité</i>) <i>Messiaen</i> |
| Responses | <i>Shepherd</i> |
| Psalm | 89.1-36 |
| Canticles | <i>Stanford</i> in G |
| Anthem | O for a closer walk with God <i>Stanford</i> |
| Hymn | 'When Jesus comes to be baptized' |
| Voluntary | Fugue in C minor BWV 575 <i>Bach</i> |
- 17 Wednesday
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| <i>St Antony</i> | 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| <i>of Egypt</i> | 6.15pm | Choral Evensong (MCGC) |
| | Prelude | Herzlich tut mich verlangen (no. 10) <i>Brahms</i> |
| | Responses | Plainsong |
| | Psalm | 98 |
| | Canticles | Second Service <i>Moore</i> |
| | Anthem | A New Year Carol <i>Britten</i> |
| | Hymn | 'As longs the deer' |
| | Voluntary | Herzlich tut mich verlangen (no. 9) <i>Brahms</i> |

18 Thursday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.15pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	O wie selig sind ihr doch, ihr Frommen <i>Brahms</i>
Responses	<i>Shephard</i>
Psalms	99, 100, 111
Canticles	Magnificat (Fauxbourdon) <i>Byrd</i> Nunc Dimittis <i>Lukaszewski</i>
Anthem	Nesciens Mater <i>Mouton</i>
Hymn	51
Voluntary	O Gott, du frommer Gott <i>Brahms</i>

19 Friday

<i>St Wulfstan</i>	8.15am	Morning Prayer
<i>of Worcester</i>	12.30pm	Eucharist

21 The Third Sunday of Epiphany (2nd week)

9.00am	College Eucharist
5.45pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Ode <i>Leighton</i>
Introit	Almighty and everlasting God <i>Gibbons</i>
Responses	<i>Shephard</i>
Psalm	33
Canticles	Collegium Magdalenaе Oxoniense <i>Leighton</i>
Anthem	Here is the little door <i>Howells</i>
Hymns	55, 49, 477
Preacher	The Rt Revd Paul Ferguson <i>Bishop of Whitby</i>
Voluntary	Fugue in G minor BWV 578 <i>Bach</i>

- 22 Monday
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 6.30pm Evening Prayer
- 23 Tuesday
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 12.30pm Eucharist**
- 6.15pm Choral Evensong**
- Prelude *Ricercare post il Credo Frescobaldi*
- Responses *Shephard*
- Psalm 145
- Canticles *Magnificat octavi toni Marenzio*
Nunc Dimittis in B flat Wood
- Anthem *Quem vidistis pastores Poulenc*
- Hymn 355
- Voluntary *Ricercare (omaggio a Girolamo Frescobaldi)*
Ligeti
- 24 Wednesday
- St Francis* 8.15am Morning Prayer
- de Sales* **6.15pm Choral Evensong (MCGC)**
- Prelude *Herr Christ, der einige Gottes-Sohn BWV 601*
Bach
- Responses Plainsong
- Psalm 29
- Canticles *Short Service Gibbons*
- Anthem *At the river Copland*
- Hymn 341
- Voluntary *Wie schön leuchtet der Morgenstern*
BuxWV 223 Buxtehude

25 The Conversion of St Paul (Thursday)

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.15pm	Choral Evensong
	<i>sung with the choir of Canford School</i>
Prelude	Herzlich tut mich erfreuen <i>Brahms</i>
Responses	<i>Shepard</i>
Psalm	119.41-56
Canticles	<i>Brewer</i> in D
Anthem	How lovely are the messengers <i>Mendelssohn</i>
Hymn	155
Voluntary	Fugue in G minor BWV 578 <i>Bach</i>

26 Friday

<i>Ss Timothy & Titus</i>	8.15am	Morning Prayer
	12.30pm	Eucharist

28 The Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas)

(3rd week)

9.00am	Morning Prayer
5.45pm	College Eucharist
Prelude	Mit Fried' und Freud' ich fahr dahin BWV 616 <i>Bach</i>
Introit	Holy is the true light <i>Harris</i>
Setting	Mass for Double Choir <i>Martin</i>
Psalm	24
Motet	Senex pueram portabat a 4 <i>Byrd</i>
Canticle	Nunc Dimittis <i>Lukaszewski</i>
Hymns	33 (omit*), 'Angels from the realms of glory', 'New light has dawned'
Preacher	Naomi Gardom <i>Chaplaincy Assistant</i>
Voluntary	Final (Symphonie I) <i>Vierne</i>

29 Monday

8.15am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Evening Prayer

30 Tuesday

Charles, 8.15am Morning Prayer

king & **12.30pm** **Eucharist**

martyr **6.15pm** **Choral Evensong**

sung with Tewkesbury Abbey Schola Cantorum

Prelude Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein

BWV 641 *Bach*

Responses *Smith*

Psalms 134, 135

Canticles *Wood in F (Collegium Regale)*

Anthem *Os justi Bruckner*

Hymn 340

Voluntary *Tocatta Gigout*

31 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

6.15pm **Choral Evensong (MCGC)**

Prelude *Andante Cantabile Jongen*

Responses Plainsong

Psalm 136

Canticles *Berkshire Service Archer*

Anthem *Teach me, O Lord Byrd*

Hymn 375

Voluntary *Fantasia in C minor BWV 1121 Bach*

FEBRUARY

1 Thursday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.15pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Dies sind die heiligen zehn Gebot <i>BWV 678 Bach</i>
Responses	<i>Smith</i>
Psalms	138, 140, 141
Canticles	Short Service <i>Byrd</i>
Anthem	Gloria <i>Weelkes</i>
Hymn	'Christ is the one who calls'
Voluntary	Allein Gott in der Höh' BWV 676 <i>Bach</i>

2 Friday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
12.30pm	Eucharist

4 The Second Sunday before Lent (4th week)

9.00am	College Eucharist
5.45pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Le Dieu caché (Livre du Saint Sacrement) <i>Messiaen</i>
Introit	O nata lux <i>Tallis</i>
Responses	<i>Smith</i>
Psalm	65
Canticles	<i>Dyson</i> in D
Anthem	O all ye works of the Lord <i>Archer</i>
Hymns	263 (omit*), 353 (omit*), 265
Preacher	Sir Jeremy Cooke <i>High Court Judge (2001-2016)</i>
Voluntary	Paeon <i>Leighton</i>

- 5 Monday
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| 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| 6.30pm | Evening Prayer |
- 6 Tuesday
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| <i>Accession of Elizabeth II (1952)</i> | 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| | 12.30pm | Eucharist |
| | 6.15pm | Choral Evensong |
| | Prelude | Fantasia in Four Parts <i>Gibbons</i> |
| | Responses | <i>Smith</i> |
| | Psalms | 20, 101, 121 |
| | Canticles | Short Service <i>Gibbons</i> |
| | Anthem | O Lord, make thy servant Elizabeth <i>Byrd</i> |
| | Hymn | The National Anthem |
| | Voluntary | Praeludium in D BuxWV 139 <i>Buxtehude</i> |
- 7 Wednesday
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| 8.15am | Morning Prayer |
| 6.15pm | Choral Evensong (MCGC) |
| Prelude | Fugue et Duo <i>Nivers</i> |
| Responses | <i>Byrd</i> |
| Psalm | 13 |
| Canticles | <i>Dyson</i> in C minor |
| Anthem | Long since in Egypt's plenteous land <i>Parry</i> |
| Hymn | 'Lord of the Church' |
| Voluntary | Dialogue à Deux Choeurs <i>Nivers</i> |

- 8 Thursday
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 6.15pm Choral Evensong**
*sung by the College Choir with participants
in the Merton Choral Day*
- Prelude Praeludium in G minor *Bruhns*
- Responses *Smith*
- Psalm 18
- Canticles Magnificat (Collegium Regale) *Howells*
Nunc Dimittis in B flat *Wood*
- Anthem Evening Hymn *Balfour Gardiner*
- Hymn 427
- Voluntary Pièce pour grand orgue *Jongen*
- 9 Friday
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 12.30pm Eucharist**
- 10 Saturday
- 3.00pm Memorial Service**
Professor Michael Baker (1930-2017)

- 11 The Sunday next before Lent (5th week)**
- 9.00am Morning Prayer**
5.45pm College Eucharist
with Baptism and Confirmation
sung by the College Choir and Girls' Choir
- Prelude Fugue in C major BWV 547 *Bach*
 Setting Missa Brevis in D K194 *Mozart*
 Motets Ave verum corpus *Mawby*
 Litany to the Holy Spirit *Hurford*
 Hymns 476, 177, 431, 271, 394
 Preacher The Rt Revd Christine Hardman
Bishop of Newcastle
 Voluntary Allegro vivace (Symphonie I) *Vierne*
- 12 Monday**
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
 6.30pm Evening Prayer
- 13 Shrove Tuesday**
- 8.15am Morning Prayer
12.30pm Eucharist
6.00pm Choral Evensong
and Commemoration of the Founder
and Benefactors of the College
- Prelude Pastorale Op. 19 *Franck*
 Responses *Radcliffe*
 Psalm 146
 Canticles *Wood* in E flat No. 2
 Anthem Coronation Te Deum *Walton*
 Hymn 436, 333
 Voluntary Prelude 'The Spitfire' *Walton*

14 Ash Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer & Litany

**5.45pm Sung Eucharist with
Imposition of Ashes**

Setting Mass for Four Voices *Byrd*

Motets Miserere *Allegri*

Call to remembrance *Farrant*

Hymns 63, 383 (omit*)

Homily Andrew Langley

Pastoral Assistant

15 Thursday

8.15am Morning Prayer

6.30pm Evening Prayer

16 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

18 The First Sunday of Lent (6th week)

9.00am	College Eucharist
5.45pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist BWV 671 <i>Bach</i>
Introit	Call to remembrance <i>Farrant</i>
Responses	<i>Radcliffe</i>
Psalm	119.17-32
Canticles	<i>Walmisley</i> in D minor
Anthem	Warum ist das Licht gegeben dem Mühseligen (Op. 74 No. 1) <i>Brahms</i>
Hymns	67, 357, 461
Address	Jasvir Singh OBE <i>Founding Chair of City Sikhs</i>
Voluntary	Prelude in C minor BWV 546

19 Monday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.15pm	Roman Catholic Mass

20 Tuesday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
12.30pm	Eucharist
6.15pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Praeludium in C BuxWV 138 <i>Buxtehude</i>
Responses	<i>Radcliffe</i>
Psalms	46, 49
Canticles	<i>Samsion</i> in G
Anthem	Remember not, O Lord <i>Purcell</i>
Hymn	74
Voluntary	Durch Adams Fall ist ganz verderbt BuxWV 183 <i>Buxtehude</i>

21 Wednesday

Ember Day 8.15am Morning Prayer
6.15pm Choral Evensong (MCGC)
Prelude Andante (Symphonie I) *Vierne*
Responses *Byrd*
Psalm 28
Canticles Magnificat *Totney*
Nunc Dimittis *Burton*
Anthem A grateful heart *Plumstead*
Hymn 'Above the voices of the world'
Voluntary Chorale-Prelude on 'Rockingham' *Leighton*

22 Thursday

8.15am Morning Prayer
6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Canzona in D minor BWV 588 *Bach*
Responses *Radcliffe*
Psalms 137, 138, 142
Canticles Magnificat (Merton Service) *Ešenvalds*
Nunc Dimittis *Holst*
Anthem Valiant-for-truth *Vaughan Williams*
Hymn 82
Voluntary Ciaconna in E minor BuxWV 160 *Buxtehude*

23 Friday

St Polycarp 8.15am Morning Prayer
Ember Day **12.30pm Eucharist**

24 Saturday

Ember Day **7.30pm Concert by the College Choir**
in Cheltenham College Chapel
in aid of the Holst Birthplace Museum
www.ticketsource.co.uk/date/441977

25 The Second Sunday of Lent (7th week)

9.00am	Morning Prayer
5.45pm	Corporate Communion <i>followed by Chapel Supper</i>
Prelude	Cantabile <i>Franck</i>
Setting	Messe Solennelle <i>Vierne</i>
Psalm	22.23-end
Motet	O sacrum convivium <i>Messiaen</i>
Hymns	376, 'Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour', 'Behold the Lamb of God', 368
Preacher	The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer <i>Associate Chaplain</i>
Voluntary	Allegro Risoluto (Symphonie II) <i>Vierne</i>

26 Monday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.30pm	Evening Prayer

27 Tuesday

<i>George</i>	8.15am	Morning Prayer
<i>Herbert</i>	12.30pm	Eucharist
	6.15pm	Choral Evensong
	Prelude	Rhosymedre <i>Vaughan Williams</i>
	Responses	<i>Martin</i>
	Psalms	52, 53, 54
	Canticles	<i>Watson</i> in E
	Anthem	Love bade me welcome <i>Vaughan Williams</i>
	Hymn	391
	Voluntary	Rhapsody No. 1 in D flat <i>Howells</i>

28 Wednesday

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.15pm	Sung Eucharist (MCGC)
Prelude	Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele BWV 654 <i>Bach</i>
Setting	Kyrie (Missa Orbis Factor) <i>Plain-song</i> Sanctus, Benedictus, Agnus Dei (Christchurch Mass) <i>Archer</i>
Motet	Attende Domine <i>Plain-song</i>
Hymn	393, 'Brother, sister, let me serve you'
Voluntary	Prelude and Fugue in C minor BWV 549 <i>Bach</i>

MARCH

1 Thursday

<i>St David</i>	8.15am	Morning Prayer
<i>of Wales</i>	6.15pm	Choral Evensong
	Prelude	Preludium (from <i>Parthenia</i>) <i>Gibbons</i>
	Responses	<i>Martin</i>
	Psalm	71
	Canticles	Fifth Service <i>Tomkins</i>
	Anthem	My shepherd is the living Lord <i>Tomkins</i>
	Hymn	158
	Voluntary	A Fancy <i>Byrd</i>

3 Friday

<i>St Chad</i>	8.15am	Morning Prayer
<i>of Lichfield</i>	12.30pm	Eucharist

4 **The Third Sunday of Lent (8th week)**

9.00am	College Eucharist
5.45pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Passacaglia in C minor BWV 582 <i>Bach</i>
Introit	Hear my prayer <i>Purcell</i>
Responses	<i>Martin</i>
Psalms	11, 12
Canticles	Collegium Regale <i>Howells</i>
Anthem	Civitas sancti tui <i>Byrd</i>
Hymns	362, 385, 339
Preacher	The Revd Dr Will Lamb <i>Vicar, St Mary the Virgin, Oxford</i>
Voluntary	Fantasia und Fuge über B-A-C-H <i>Liszt</i>

5 **Monday**

8.15am	Morning Prayer
6.30pm	Evening Prayer
10.00pm	Compline
Prelude	Ich ruf zu dir, Herr Jesu Christ BWV 639 <i>Bach</i>
Hymn	Te lucis ante terminum <i>Tallis</i>
Motet	Alma Redemptoris Mater <i>Park</i> <i>(first performance)</i>

6 **Tuesday**

8.15am	Morning Prayer
12.30pm	Eucharist
6.15pm	Choral Evensong
Prelude	Aus tiefer Not schrei' ich zu dir BWV 687 <i>Bach</i>
Responses	<i>Martin</i>
Psalms	61, 62, 64
Canticles	Second Service <i>Byrd</i>
Anthem	Crucifixus <i>Bach</i>
Hymn	75
Voluntary	Von Gott will ich nicht lassen BWV 658 <i>Bach</i>

7 Wednesday

Ss Perpetua, 8.15am Morning Prayer
Felicity & companions **6.15pm** **Choral Evensong** (MCGC)
Prelude Introduction for the Diapasons *Burney*
Responses *Byrd*
Psalm 39
Canticles *Wood* in D
Anthem *Ubi caritas Duruflé*
Hymn 219
Voluntary Voluntary no. 7 *Greene*

8 Thursday

8.15am Morning Prayer
6.15pm **Choral Evensong**
Prelude Psalm Prelude Set 1 No. 2 *Howells*
Responses *Martin*
Psalms 59, 60
Canticles Gloucester Service *Howells*
Anthem Like as the hart *Howells*
Hymn 70
Voluntary Aus der Tiefe (Heinlein) *Leighton*

9 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer
12.30pm **Eucharist**

EASTER VACATION

MARCH

17 Saturday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** (MCGC)
for the College Gaudy
Introit Ave Maria *Lindley*
Responses *Byrd*
Psalm 142
Canticles Wood in D
Anthem O for a closer walk with God *Stanford*
Hymns 86 (omit*), 95

18 **The Fifth Sunday of Lent**

9.00am **Eucharist**

21 Wednesday

Thomas **6.15pm** **Choral Evensong** (MCGC)
Cranmer *sung with Frideswide Voices*
Responses *Byrd*
Psalm 62
Canticles Berkshire Service *Archer*
Anthem Ex Ore Innocentium *Ireland*
Hymn 84

PASSIONTIDE AT MERTON

23-25 March 2018

23 Friday

5.00pm Choral Evensong

Responses *Byrd*
Psalm 31
Canticles Short Service *Byrd*
Anthem *Infelix Ego Byrd*
Hymn 382

24 Saturday

10.30am Choral Matins

Responses *Martin*
Psalms 23, 127
Canticles *Benedictus Stanford*
Benedicite Archer
Anthem *Christus factus est Bruckner*
Hymn 83

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Introit *Remember not, O Lord Purcell*
Responses *Martin*
Psalms 128, 129, 130
Canticles *Gloucester Service Howells*
Anthem *Warum ist das Licht gegeben dem Mühseligen (Op. 74 No. 1) Brahms*
Hymns 439, 79, 75

9.00pm New Music Compline

plainchant and contemporary compositions

25 **Palm Sunday**

10.30am Procession and

Sung Eucharist of the Lord's Passion

Blessing of Palms Hosanna to the Son of David *Gibbons*

Setting Mass for Double Choir *Martin*

Psalm 31.9-16

Motet O sacrum convivium *Messiaen*

Hymns 509, 511, 94, 86, 'Lift high the cross'

Preacher The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer

Associate Chaplain

Choral Services resume at 5.45pm on Sunday 22 April

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The Friends of the Choir of Merton College support the current and future activities of the College Choir and the Girls' Choir.

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CHAPEL SERVICES

Sundays

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| 9.00am | College Eucharist / Morning Prayer
<i>followed by breakfast in Hall</i> |
| 5.45pm | Choral Evensong / College Eucharist
<i>followed by drinks in the Ante-Chapel</i> |

Weekdays

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

Chaplain

The Revd Canon Dr Simon Jones

Associate Chaplain

The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer

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