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. There will be a special service of Choral Evensong at 6.00pm on Saturday 5 May to celebrate the Choral Foundation’s tenth anniversary.

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).

Girl Choristers from a variety of local schools were admitted to the Choral Foundation at the beginning of the last academic year, and sing Evensong on Wednesdays.
The Chapel supports a number of charities. Our collections this term will be donated to Christian Aid (www.christianaid.org.uk).

The Eucharist on the feast of Corpus Christi (6.00pm Thursday 31 May) will be a joint service with the congregation of the University Church. Along with Oriel College, Merton is one of the patrons of St Mary’s.

In addition to the services listed in this booklet, this term we will be setting aside an hour each Friday from 12 noon to 1.00pm for those who want to spend some time in silence. All are welcome to join us and stay for as long or short a period of time as they would like.

Simon Jones
Chaplain
TRINITY TERM 2018

APRIL

19 Thursday
St Alphege 5.30pm Eucharist and
of Canterbury Blessing of the Easter Candle

22 The Fourth Sunday of Easter (1st week)
9.00am Morning Prayer
5.45pm College Eucharist
Prelude Aria Berkeley
Setting Missa Bell’ Amfitrit’ altera Lassus
Psalm 23
Motet The Lord is my shepherd Berkeley
Hymns 117, 110, 104, 120
Preacher Blair Radford
Pastoral Assistant
Voluntary Pièce pour Grand Orgue Jongen

23 St George, Patron of England (Monday)
8.15am Morning Prayer
6.30pm Eucharist
24 Tuesday

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MAY

1  St Philip & St James, Apostles (Tuesday)
   8.15am  Morning Prayer
   12.30pm  Eucharist
   6.15pm  Choral Evensong
     Prelude  Tiento de falsas cuarto tono  Cabanilles
     Responses  Smith
     Psalm  149
     Canticles  Magnificat octavi toni a 8  Marenzio
                 Nunc Dimittis in B flat  Wood
     Anthem  Faire is the heaven  Harris
     Hymn  164
     Voluntary  Pasacalles de cuarto tono  Cabanilles

2  Wednesday
   St Athanasius
   8.15am  Morning Prayer
   6.15pm  Choral Evensong
     Prelude  Ground in C minor  Purcell
     Responses  Plainsong
     Psalms  98
     Canticles  Dyson in C minor
     Anthem  Long since in Egypt’s plenteous land  Parry
     Hymn  ‘O Word of God, in flesh you came’
     Voluntary  Ground in Gamut  Purcell
3  Thursday
  8.15am  Morning Prayer
  1.15pm  Organ Recital by David Dunnett
  6.15pm  Choral Evensong
         Prelude The Mayden’s Song  Byrd
         Responses  Martin
         Psalm  104
         Canticles  Walmisley in D minor
         Anthem  Sing joyfully  Byrd
         Hymn  105
         Voluntary Fugue in G  Parry

4  Friday
  English saints
     8.15am  Morning Prayer
               & martyrs of the Reformation Era

5  Saturday
  6.00pm  Choral Evensong
          in celebration of the
          10th anniversary of the Choral Foundation
         Prelude  Élévation, Op. 94 No. 1  Bossi
         Responses  Martin
         Psalm  118
         Canticles  Gloucester Service  Howells
         Anthem  Blest pair of sirens  Parry
         Hymn  ‘Light’s glittering morn’, 101 (omit*), 120
         Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in C major BWV 547  Bach
6  The Sixth Sunday of Easter (3rd week)
  9.00am  Morning Prayer
  5.45pm  College Eucharist
    Prelude  Master Tallis’ Testament  Howells
    Setting  Mass in G minor  Vaughan Williams
    Psalm  98
    Motet  Greater love  Ireland
    Hymns  ‘Good Christians all’, 296, 114
    Preacher  The Revd Canon Prof Sarah Foot
               Regius Professor of Ecclesiastical History
    Voluntary  Paean  Howells

7  Monday
  Rogation  8.15am  Morning Prayer
  Day  6.15pm  Roman Catholic Mass

8  Tuesday
  Julian of  8.15am  Morning Prayer
  Norwich  12.30pm  Eucharist
  Rogation  6.15pm  Choral Evensong
  Day  Prelude  Nun ruhen alle Wälder  van Oortmerssen
       Responses  Martin
       Psalms  128, 129, 130, 131
       Canticles  Magnificat (Fauxbourdons)  Byrd
                  Nunc Dimittis  Tye
       Anthem  Vox Dei  Wilby
       Hymn  ‘O love that wilt not let me go’
       Voluntary  Wir glauben all’ an einen Gott BWV 680  Bach
9  Wednesday

Rogation 8.15am Morning Prayer

Day 6.15pm Choral Evensong on the eve of the feast of the Ascension
Prelude Prière du Christ montant vers son Père
from L’Ascension Messiaen
Responses Byrd
Psalm 24
Canticles Short Service Gibbons
Anthem O God, the King of Glory Gibbons
Hymn 134
Voluntary Majesté du Christ demandant sa gloire à son Père from L’Ascension Messiaen

10 ASCENSION DAY (Thursday)

8.15am Morning Prayer

12 noon Singing from the Tower

1.15pm Organ Recital by Marco lo Muscio

6.00pm Sung Eucharist
Prelude Heut triumphieret Gottes Sohn BWV 630 Bach
Setting Missa Brevis Palestrina
Psalm 47
Motet Ascendit Deus Philips
Hymns 130 (omit*), 446, 271
Preacher James Dwyer
Pastoral Assistant
Voluntary Prelude and Fugue in C major BWV 547 Bach

11 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer
13  The Seventh Sunday of Easter (4th week)

9.00am  College Eucharist

5.45pm  Choral Evensong
Prelude   Adagio in E major  Bridge
Introit  Rise up, my love  Willan
Responses  Smith
Psalm  147.1-11
Canticles  Second Service  Gibbons
Anthem  The spirit of the Lord  Elgar
Hymns  352, ‘Hail, thou once despised Jesus’,
       ‘Christ triumphant’
Preacher  The Rt Revd Dr Michael Ipgrave
       Bishop of Lichfield
Voluntary  Allegro con spirito in B flat  Bridge

14  St Matthias the Apostle (Monday)

8.15am  Morning Prayer

6.30pm  Eucharist

15  Tuesday

8.15am  Morning Prayer

12.30pm  Eucharist

6.15pm  Choral Evensong
Prelude  Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist BuxWV 209  Buxtehude
Responses  Ayleward
Psalm  68
Canticles  Short Service  Hooper
Anthem  Ich bin ein rechter Weinstock  Schütz
Hymn  409
Voluntary  Fugue in C BWV 564  Bach
16 Wednesday
8.15am  Morning Prayer

6.15pm  **Choral Evensong**
Prelude  Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist
         *Scheidemann*
Responses Plainsong
Psalms  46
Canticles Magnificat (Fauxbourdons) *Moore*
         Nunc Dimittis *Burgon*
Anthem  Litany to the Holy Spirit *Hurford*
Hymn    ‘Holy Spirit, gift bestower’
Voluntary Nun bitten wir den heiligen Geist *Bohm*

17 Thursday
8.15am  Morning Prayer

1.15pm  **Organ Recital by Paul Walton**

6.15pm  **Choral Evensong**
Prelude  Komm, Gott Schöpfer, heiliger Geist BWV 667
         *Bach*
Responses *Ayleward*
Psalm   139
Canticles Fifth Service *Tomkins*
Anthem  Dum complerentur *Palestrina*
Hymn    ‘Come Holy Ghost, our hearts inspire’
Voluntary Colimacon *O’Regan*

18 Friday
8.15am  Morning Prayer

19 Saturday
*St Dunstan* 4.00pm  **Organ Concert by Paul Hale of Canterbury**
20 **PENTECOST** (5th week)

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6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Obra de passo solto 8 ton Araujo
Responses Byrd
Psalm 136
Canticles Fourth Service Batten
Anthem Lord, for thy tender mercy’s sake Hilton
Hymn 239
Voluntary Tiento de 4 tono de falsas Heredia

24 Thursday

John & 8.15am Morning Prayer
Charles
Wesley 1.15pm Organ Recital by Peter King
6.15pm Choral Evensong
with the choir of Charterhouse School
Prelude Pastorale from Symphonie 1 Vierne
Responses Ayleward
Psalms 138, 140, 141
Canticles Gloucester Service Howells
Anthem Save us, O Lord Bairstow
Hymn 415 (omit*)
Voluntary Allegro Vivace from Symphonie I Vierne

25 Friday

The Venerable 8.15am Morning Prayer
Bede
26   Saturday

4.00pm  Choral Evensong on the eve of
Trinity Sunday

*sung by the Thomas Hardye Chapel Choir*

Responses  Ayleward
Psalm      98
Canticles  Stanford in G
Anthem     Hymn to the Trinity  Tchaikovsky
Hymn       148

27   Trinity Sunday  (6th week)

9.00am   College Eucharist

5.45pm   Choral Evensong

Prelude   Wir glauben all’ an einen Gott  Krebs
Introit   Libera nos (I)  Sheppard
Responses Ayleward
Psalm     104.1-9
Canticles Dyson in D
Anthem    ‘Coronation’ Te Deum  Walton
Hymns     146, ‘Holy, holy, holy One’, 373
Preacher  The Revd Joel Knight

Assistant Curate, St Ebbe’s, Oxford
Voluntary  Fugue in E flat BWV 552  Bach

28   Monday

8.15am   Morning Prayer

6.30pm   Evening Prayer
29 Tuesday
   8.15am   Morning Prayer
   12.30pm  Eucharist
   6.15pm   Choral Evensong
     Prelude  O lux beata trinitas Nivers
     Responses  Radcliffe
     Psalms  9, 10
     Canticles  Sumson in G
     Anthem  Jubilate Gabrieli
     Hymn  249
     Voluntary  Canzona ‘La Spritata’ Gabrieli

30 Wednesday
   8.15am   Morning Prayer
   6.30pm   Evening Prayer and Benediction
             on the eve of the feast of Corpus Christi

31 Corpus Christi (Thursday)
   8.15am   Morning Prayer
   1.15pm   Organ Recital by Benjamin Nicholas
   6.00pm   Sung Eucharist
             joint with the University Church
     Prelude  Le Dieu caché Messiaen
     Setting  Mass for Double Choir Martin
     Psalm  116.10-end
     Motet  O sacrum convivium Messiaen
     Hymns  310, 296
     Preacher  The Revd James Crockford
             Assistant Priest, University Church
             of St Mary the Virgin, Oxford
     Voluntary  Offrande et alléluia final Messiaen
JUNE

1  The Visit of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Elizabeth (Friday)
   8.15am  Morning Prayer
   6.30pm  Eucharist

3  The First Sunday of Trinity (7th week)
   9.00am  Morning Prayer
   5.45pm  Corporate Communion
     Prelude  Fancie in D minor  Byrd
     Setting  Mass in G  Schubert
     Psalm   81.1-10
     Motet   Heilig, Heilig, Heilig  Schubert
     Hymns   476, ‘Behold the Lamb’, 368
     Preacher  The Revd Dr Jarred Mercer
               Associate Chaplain
     Voluntary  Prelude and Fugue in G major BWV 541  Bach

4  Monday
   8.15am  Morning Prayer
   6.30pm  Evening Prayer

5  Tuesday
   St Boniface of Crediton  8.15am  Morning Prayer
   12.30pm  Eucharist
   6.15pm  Choral Evensong
     Prelude  Prelude on a theme of Orlando Gibbons  Stanford
     Responses  Radcliffe
     Psalm   33
     Canticles  Wood in E flat No. 2
     Anthem  Beati quorum via  Stanford
     Hymn   219
     Voluntary  Postlude in G major  Stanford
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10  **The Second Sunday of Trinity** (8th week)

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| 10.30am| **Matins**  
  *sung by the College Choir at All Souls’* |
| Te Deum| *Tallis* |
| Benedictus| *Gibbons* |
| Anthem| *Beati quorum via Stanford* |
| 5.45pm| **Leavers’ Service** |
| Prelude| Psalm Prelude, Set 1 No. 2 *Howells* |
| Introit| *To thee, O Lord Rachmaninov* |
| Responses| *Radcliffe* |
| Psalms| 37.1-11, 150 |
| Canticles| *Blair in B minor* |
| Anthem| *Faire is the heaven Harris* |
| Motet| *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| *Toccata from Symphonie V Widor* |

11  **St Barnabas the Apostle** (Monday)

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8.15am Morning Prayer

12.30pm Eucharist

6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Pari Intervallo Pärt
Responses Radcliffe
Psalm 50
Canticles Merton College Service Ešenvalds
Anthem The Beatitudes Pärt
Hymn 341
Voluntary Canonic Variations on ‘Von Himmel Hoch’

BWV 769 Bach

13 Wednesday

8.15am Morning Prayer

6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Toccata chromaticha Frescobaldi
Responses Byrd
Psalm 59
Canticles Stanford in B flat
Anthem Evening Hymn Balfour Gardiner
Hymn 494
Voluntary Ricercar chromaticho Frescobaldi
14 Thursday

8.15am Morning Prayer
1.15pm Organ Recital by Thomas Fetherstonhaugh
6.15pm Choral Evensong
Prelude Vesper Voluntary No. 1 Elgar
Responses Radcliffe
Psalms 61, 62, 64
Canticles Stanford in G
Anthem Steal away Tippett
Hymn 252
Voluntary Angel’s Farewell from The Dream of Gerontius
Elgar arr. Brewer

15 Friday

8.15am Morning Prayer
7.30pm Edward Elgar, The Apostles
The Sheldonian Theatre
Sophie Bevan soprano
Virginie Verrez mezzo soprano
David Butt Phillip tenor
Marcus Farnsworth bass
Ashley Riches bass
Julian Empett bass
Royal Philharmonic Orchestra
Choir of Merton College
Benjamin Nicholas conductor
Box Office: www.musicalat oxford.com
SUMMER VACATION

JUNE

20 Wednesday (9th week)

6.15pm Choral Evensong
Responses Plainsong
Psalm 119.81-96
Canticles Magnificat (Fauxbourdons) Moore
Nunc Dimittis Burgon
Anthem If with all your hearts Mendelssohn
Hymn 336

23 Saturday

6.00pm Festal Evensong on the eve of the feast of the Birth of St John the Baptist and Dedication of the Icon of St John the Baptist
Prelude Christ unser Herr, zum Jordan kam BWV 684 Bach
Responses Radcliffe
Psalm 71
Canticles Stanford in B flat
Anthems Hear my words, ye people Parry
Ut queant (first performance) Gregory Rose
Hymns 168, ‘The great forerunner of the morn’, 12, 18
Voluntary Allegro Maestoso (Sonata in G Op. 28) Elgar

24 The Birth of St John the Baptist (Sunday)
9.00am Eucharist
29  St Peter & St Paul, Apostles (Friday)

6.00pm Festal Evensong

Prelude  Voluntary for Double Organ  Purcell
Responses  Radcliffe
Psalms  124, 138
Canticles  Magnificat  Finzi
           Nunc Dimittis in B flat  Wood
Anthem  Tu es Petrus  Palestrina
Hymns  ‘Give thanks for Christ’s apostles’, 381
Voluntary  Tu es Petra  Mulet

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SERVICES

Sundays
9.00am College Eucharist / Morning Prayer
followed by breakfast in Hall
5.45pm Choral Evensong / College Eucharist
followed by drinks on the lawn

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