Choral Evensong  Sundays at 6pm

Choral Evensong is part of the weekly rhythm of College life. It combines profound and beautiful words with ancient and modern music and hymns sung by the Choir and congregation. It is also an opportunity to hear a variety of interesting guest preachers. College members wear gowns and everyone is warmly invited for drinks with the Provost and the Chaplain after the service. It’s a nice way to begin an evening at formal dinner with friends and guests.

Collections taken this term will be donated to the renovation of Littlemore church on the edge of Oxford. The church was built in 1836 by John Henry Newman, a former Fellow of this Oriel, and continues to be under the College’s patronage. Our donation will fund chairs in a new community space to support the spiritual and social wellbeing of the local community.

First Week – 13 October
17th Sunday after Trinity
Prime Suspect
The Chaplain

Second Week – 20 October
18th Sunday after Trinity
The Lamb of God
The Revd Richard Coombs
Rector, Cheltenham Minster

Third Week – 27 October
19th Sunday after Trinity
Commemoration of Benefactors
George Moody and Other Recent Legators
Mr Wilf Stephenson
Treasurer

Fourth Week – 3 November
20th Sunday after Trinity
A Wedding Took Place
The Revd John Knowles FRSA
Warden of Readers (Rtd), Diocese of Chester

Fifth Week – 10 November
21st Sunday after Trinity
Remembrance Sunday
Proving The World Wrong
The Revd Lt Col Jerry Sather
Wing Chaplain, United States Air Force

Sixth Week – 17 November
22nd Sunday after Trinity
Zeal For Your House
The Revd Professor Charlotte Methuen
Professor of Church History, University of Glasgow

Seventh Week – 24 November
Sunday next before Advent
Snakes and Ladders
The Revd Dr Michael Ward
Senior Research Fellow, Blackfriars Hall

Eighth Week – 1 December
1st Sunday in Advent
COLLEGE CAROL SERVICE

Weekday Activities

Morning Prayer  service
(Chapel, Newman Oratory • 8.10am Mon-Fri., 20 mins) They say breakfast is the most important meal of the day. This little service is a spiritual wake-up using traditional prayers and readings. It’s all written down for you. Every student is prayed for by name through the year. All welcome. You can pin specific prayer requests to the board inside Chapel door or simply e-mail the Chaplain.

Holy Communion  service
(Chapel • 6pm Mon., 30 mins) Using the same words for nearly five hundred years, this service has some history behind it. Throw on a gown and enjoy a few moments of peaceful reflection. All welcome.

Greek Reading Group  study
(Room 3.3 • 5-5.30pm Tues., 60 mins) If it’s not ‘all Greek to you’, and especially for amateurs, come and have a read through Mark’s Gospel. College members welcome.

Chaplain’s G&Tea  food/drink
(Room 3.3 • 5.15-7pm Wed., come and go) Come early for a cup of tea and slice of cake. Come late for a pre-dinner drink before Formal Hall. Soft drinks available. Members are welcome to bring their guests.

Compline  choir/service
(Chapel • 9.30pm Wed., 20 mins) This candle-lit ‘night prayer’ is the perfect way to wind-down and de-stress at the end of the day. Singing is led by the choral scholars. If you’re not ready for bed, stay for hot chocolate in the Chaplain’s room. All welcome.

Holy Communion  choir/service
(Chapel • 6pm Thurs., 60 mins) This is our main midweek service with the Choir. You can join in as much or as little as you feel comfortable. This term we are looking at Matthew’s Gospel. Come for drinks in the Chaplain’s room afterwards before Formal.

Special Events

DON’T MISS

The Populism We Need  lecture
(Harris Lecture Theatre • 26 Nov. 5.30pm, 70 mins) The annual John Collins Lecture invites Oriel students to examine the relationship between Christianity and contemporary challenges.

Remembrance Day  event
(3rd Quad • 10.50am Mon. 11 Nov. Wk 5, 15 mins) All members of College are encouraged to gather at the War Memorial in Third Quad to offer our tribute to members of Oriel who lost their lives in war with two-minutes’ silence.

Carol Services  choir/service
(Chapel • 6pm Sun. 1 Dec & Wed. 4 Dec. Wk 8, 60 mins) Start the countdown to Christmas with the annual Carol Services by candlelight. This is one of the great occasions of the Oriel year and takes place twice in Eighth Week. Sign up for the festive dinner in Hall afterwards.

All Souls’ Day  choir/service
(Chapel • 6pm Fri. 1 Nov. Wk 3, 60 mins) This special service helps us to remember our loved ones who have died. Candles will be lit and names read out.

Roman Catholic Mass  service
(Corpus Christi College Chapel • 6pm Wed. 23 Oct. Wk 2, 60 mins) All are welcome to the termly joint Mass, this time hosted by Corpus. Contact the Chaplain for directions.

Christian Union Service  service
(Chapel • 6pm Thurs. 28 Nov. Wk 7, 45 mins) The college CU hosts an informal service once a term with a guest speaker.
Welcome to Chapel

For some of us Chapel is very familiar; for others it's a total novelty. Everyone is welcome, whether you make it a regular feature of your week or just pop-in occasionally for a service or you could do with a quiet moment of reflection. Sacred music sung by our superb Choir is an important part of the College’s identity stretching back centuries. Oriel was founded as ‘a college of scholars studying sacred theology, civil and canon law and useful knowledge’ in honour of the Virgin Mary. Our heritage continues to the present day. Chapel is a place of learning, prayer, and community. Anyone can get involved. Come and see for yourself!

The Chaplain would be happy to talk with you about faith and spirituality, the possibility of Baptism, Confirmation, or – indeed – Marriage! There is also a group for those considering the possibility of Christian ministry. We value the diversity of spiritual traditions represented in our community. Everyone is welcome to use the room set aside for prayer in Chapel. Please contact the Chaplain if you would like details of other chaplaincies in the University.

College Chaplain: The Revd Dr Rob Wainwright
Room 3.3 (Front Quad) – (2)76580
chaplain@oriel.ox.ac.uk

The Chaplain is here for every member of the Oriel community. He is always happy to meet to listen and discuss any matter of concerns – confidentially, big or small, religious or not. He is a member of the Welfare Team, Tutor for Admissions and Outreach, and a Tutor in Theology. He can be reached by e-mail, phone, or a knock on the door.

Director of Music: Dr David Maw
Room 3.2 (Front Quad) – (2)76258 or (2)76534
Email: musicdirector@oriel.ox.ac.uk

The Director of Music works alongside the Chaplain in preparing services and has charge over the Organ Scholars and Chapel Choir. He is also the Lecturer in Music at Oriel. For a complete listing of this term’s music settings for worship, please see the Chapel website: www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/chapel.

Organ Scholars
Benjamin Banks, Harry Baigent

Choir Chair
Hannah Soares

Bible Clerks
Peter Hammerton, (Head Clerk), Hans Decker, Atinuke Olu-Lutherking,
Max Shreve-McGiffen, Tien-Chun Lo, Robbie Boswall

Placement Students
Michael Molano, Jack O’Grady

The Christian Union (www.oiccu.org)

The CU aims to be a welcoming and supportive community open to everyone. A CU-led service will be held in the Chapel on Thursday of Seventh Week (28 November) at 6pm. Please contact the College rep Emily Widjaja (emily.widjaja@oriel.ox.ac.uk).

The Roman Catholic Chaplaincy (www.catholic-chaplaincy.org.uk)

Mass is celebrated daily at Rose Place, off St Aldates. Corpus Christi College will host Oriel at a joint Mass on Wednesday of Second Week (23 October) at 6pm. For more information, please visit www.catholicchaplaincyoxford.co.uk