**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.

**First Week – 19 January**

2nd Sunday after Epiphany

**Man on the Run**
The Chaplain

**Second Week – 26 January**

3rd Sunday after Epiphany

**Jonah and the Whale**
Dr Yael Fisch
Postdoctoral Fellow,
Centre for the Study of the Bible in the Humanities

**Third Week – 2 February**

4th Sunday after Epiphany

**Nineveh, That Great City**
The Revd Joel Knight
Curate, St Ebbe’s Church, Oxford

**Fourth Week – 9 February**

Septuagesima

**Love Your Enemies**
The Revd Rupert Demery
Chaplain, Eton College

**Fifth Week – 16 February**

Sexagesima

**Redemption**
The Revd Fleming Rutledge
Former Senior Associate Rector,
Grace Church, New York City

**Sixth Week – 23 February**

Quinquagesima

**Confirmation**
The Rt Revd Stephen Conway
The Lord Bishop of Ely

**Seventh Week – 1 March**

1st Sunday in Lent

**Lent**
The Venerable David Meara
Archdeacon of London (Rtd)

**Eighth Week – 8 March**

2nd Sunday in Lent

**The Hope of Glory**
The Venerable Dr Adrian Youings
Archdeacon of Bath

**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.

**Discussion Group**

**STUDY**

(Room 3.3 • 11.15am Mon., 75 mins)

Join us to explore the Lord’s Prayer, how to pray, and other questions about Christian faith. This can also be preparation for confirmation. All College members welcome.

**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 • 5.30pm Tues., 60 mins)

If it’s not ‘all Greek to you’, and especially for amateurs, come and have a read through the book of Acts. 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.

**Special Events**

**DON’T MISS**

**Candlemas**

**FEAST**

(Chapel • 6pm Fri. 31 Jan. Wk 2, 60 mins)

This is principal feast of the Oriel year, marking the College’s dedication to the Virgin Mary. Our preacher will be the Archbishop of Wales, the Most Revd John Davies. The candlelit service celebrates the occasion when Mary presented the infant Christ in the Temple and hails him as the Light of the World. Ballot for the very special dinner in Hall afterwards.

**Confirmation**

**CHOIR/SERVICE**

(Chapel • 6pm Sun. 23 Feb. Wk 6, 60 mins)

The Bishop of Ely will confirm those who wish to make a public profession of their Christian faith and renew their baptismal vows.

**Ash Wednesday**

**CHOIR/SERVICE**

(Chapel • 9.30pm Wed. 26 Feb. Wk 6, 40 mins)

Since the Middle Ages the start of Lent has been observed by marking the sign of the cross in ash on our foreheads as a gesture of penitence and in recognition of our mortality. The Choir will sing the Litany.

**University Sermon**

**CHOIR/SERVICE**

(Chapel • 6pm Sun. 8 Mar. Wk 8, 60 mins)

A significant ceremonial occasion when the Vice-Chancellor and Proctors preside over sermons preached before the University. Doctors are invited to wear their robes. Oriel traditionally hosts the annual sermon that celebrates the angel Gabriel’s visit to Mary foretelling Christ’s birth.

**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 Jesus’s arrest and trial in Matthew’s Gospel.
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 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 the Fellow 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/life-oriel/chapel.

Organ Scholars
Benjamin Banks, Harry Baigent

Choir Chair
Hannah Soares

Bible Clerks
Peter Hammerton, (Head Clerk), Nathan Batten, Marta Bielinska, Robbie Boswall, Thomas Farlow, Sea Yun Joung, Tien-Chun Lo, Max Shreeve-McGiffen

Placement Students
Michael Molano, Jack O'Grady

The Christian Union (www.oiccu.org)
The CU aims to share the good news about Jesus Christ and the life he offers. Please contact the College rep Emily Widjaja (emily.widjaja@oriel.ox.ac.uk) for information about events this term.

The Roman Catholic Chaplaincy (www.catholic-chaplaincy.org.uk)
Mass is celebrated daily at Rose Place, off St Aldates. Oriel will host Corpus Christi College for a joint service on Tuesday of First Week (21 January) at 6pm. For more information, please visit www.catholicchaplaincyoxford.co.uk