Choral Evensong Sundays at 6pm

Choral Evensong is part of the weekly rhythm of College life. The service combines profound and beautiful words from the Book of Common Prayer and the King James Bible with ancient and modern music and hymns sung by the Choir and the congregation. It is an opportunity to hear a variety of interesting guest preachers, and a nice way to begin an evening at Formal Hall with friends and guests. College members wear gowns, and the congregation is warmly invited for drinks with the Provost and the Chaplain after the service. The theme of this term’s sermons is heaven and the afterlife.

First Week – 23 April
2nd Sunday after Easter

Heavenly Worship
The Chaplain

Second Week – 30 April
3rd Sunday after Easter

A Conjuring Trick with Bones
The Venerable David Meara
Archdeacon of London (Rtd)

Third Week – 7 May
4th Sunday after Easter

Citizens of Heaven
The Revd Fr Aldo Tapparo
Parish Priest, Archdiocese of Birmingham (Rtd)

Fourth Week – 14 May
5th Sunday after Easter
Rogation Sunday

The Second Coming
The Revd Alex Ross
Vicar, St James, Muswell Hill (Rtd)

Fifth Week – 21 May
Sunday after Ascension Day

No More Tears
The Revd Martha Simpson
Teaching Pastor, St Mary the Virgin, Chipping Norton

Sixth Week – 28 May
Whitsunday (Pentecost)

Hope in the Spirit
The Rt Revd Henry Scriven
Assistant Bishop of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania (Rtd)

Seventh Week – 4 June
Trinity Sunday

The Heavenly City
The Revd Canon Dr Peter Groves
Vicar, St Mary Magdalen, Oxford

Eighth Week – 11 June
Barnabas the Apostle

THE LEAVERS’ SERVICE
The Chaplain
Regular Services

Morning and Evening Prayer
› Monday–Friday 8am & 6pm, 20 mins
These brief services begin and end the day with prayers and readings from the Book of Common Prayer. Every student is prayed for by name during the year. In the mornings, stay on for breakfast in Hall afterwards.

Holy Communion
› Wednesday 6pm, 60 mins
Our main mid-week service is a traditional celebration of Holy Communion with music sung by the Choir. This term, various students will preach on the Acts of the Apostles. All are invited to drinks in the Chaplain’s set following the service. See Special Events for Weeks 4 and 8.

Compline
› Thursday 9.30pm, 20 mins
This candle-lit service of night prayer is the perfect way to wind down and de-stress at the end of a busy day. The singing is led by a small group of choral scholars. Hot chocolate is available for all in the Chaplain’s set afterwards. There will be no Compline in Weeks 4 and 6.

Chapel Discussion Group
A Bible study and discussion group runs for anyone who would like to find out more about the Christian faith or is thinking about Baptism or Confirmation. Ask the Chaplain for details.

Special Events

Choral Awards Open Day Evensong
› Saturday 22 April (Week 0), 6pm
Prospective applicants for choral scholarships will sing with the Choir at a service of Evensong. All are welcome.

Roman Catholic Mass
› Tuesday 25 April (Week 1), 6pm
All are invited to the termly Mass with Corpus Christi College, celebrated by the Roman Catholic Chaplain to the University and accompanied by Gregorian chant.

Ascension Day
› Thursday 18 May (Week 4)
- 12.30pm – Make sure that you are on the Hall steps at lunchtime to hear the Choir sing hymns from the tower, marking Christ’s ascension into heaven.
- 6pm – A service of Holy Communion for Ascension Day.

Confirmation Service
› Sunday 28 May (Week 6), 6pm
Come and support Oriel members who are being confirmed in their faith at Pentecost by the Rt Revd Henry Scriven, formerly Assistant Bishop of Pittsburgh in Pennsylvania.

Christian Union Talk
› Wednesday 14 June (Week 8), 6pm
The College Christian Union hosts an informal talk once a term with a guest speaker.
Welcome to Chapel

For some of us Chapel is very familiar; for others it is a total novelty. Everyone is welcome, whether you make it a regular feature of your week, just pop in occasionally for a service, or could simply do with a quiet moment of reflection during the day. Oriel College was founded in 1326 as ‘a college of scholars studying sacred theology, civil and canon law and useful knowledge’ in honour of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Sacred music sung by our superb Choir has been an important part of the College’s identity for centuries, a heritage that continues to the present. Chapel is a place of learning, prayer, and Christian community. Anyone can get involved. Come and see for yourself!

The Chaplain would be happy to talk with you about faith and spirituality, discussion groups, and the possibility of Baptism or Confirmation. We value the diversity of traditions represented here. 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 (First Quad)
cchaplain@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 concern – confidentially, big or small, religious or not. He is a member of the College’s welfare team and a Tutor in Theology. You can reach him by email or a knock on the door.

Director of Music: Dr David Maw
Room 3.2 (First Quad)
musicdirector@oriel.ox.ac.uk

The Director of Music works alongside the Chaplain to prepare services, and has charge over the Organ Scholar and the Chapel Choir. He is Fellow and Tutor in Music at Oriel. For a list of music at this term’s services, please visit the Chapel web page: www.oriel.ox.ac.uk/chapel

Organ Scholar
          Alessandro MacKinnon-Botti
Choir Chair
          Jerric Chong
Bible Clerks
          John Thuppayath (Head Clerk), Michał Harris-Edwards, Junsoo Kim,
          Oliver Mullen, Peter Williams

An archive of sermons and music is available on YouTube: Oriel College Chapel

The Christian Union
The Christian Union aims to share the good news about Jesus Christ and the life he offers. For more information, please visit www.oiccu.org or contact the College Rep at joshua.williams@oriel.ox.ac.uk

The Roman Catholic Chaplaincy
The Catholic Chaplaincy celebrates Mass daily at Rose Place, off St Aldate’s. For more information, please visit www.catholicchaplaincyoxford.co.uk or contact the College Rep at michal.harris-edwards@oriel.ox.ac.uk

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