



Oriel College Chapel

Trinity Term 2024

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. This term's sermons are on the First Epistle of St John.

First Week – 21 April

3rd Sunday after Easter

Children of God

The Chaplain

Second Week – 28 April

4th Sunday after Easter

Eyewitnesses

Miss Nancy-Page Lowenfield
Student Minister, St Ebbe's Church, Oxford

Third Week – 5 May

5th Sunday after Easter

The Advocate

The Revd Andrew Rollinson
Former Pastor, South Street Baptist Church, St Andrews, Fife

Fourth Week – 12 May

Sunday after Ascension Day

The True Light

The Revd Dr Michael Lloyd
Principal, Wycliffe Hall

Fifth Week – 19 May

Whitsunday (Pentecost)

The Spirits of Truth and of Error

The Revd Dr Andrew Pinsent
Research Director, Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion, and Fellow of Harris Manchester College

Sixth Week – 26 May

Trinity Sunday

Three That Testify

The Revd Dr Rob Sawdy
Curate, Parish of Four Saints, Bournemouth, Dorset, and Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist

Seventh Week – 2 June

1st Sunday after Trinity

God Is Love

The Revd Richard Avery
Former Vicar, St Mary's Church, Berkeley, Gloucestershire

Eighth Week – 9 June

2nd Sunday after Trinity

The Leavers' Service

The Chaplain

Regular Services

Morning and Evening Prayer

► *Monday–Friday 8am;*

Monday–Tuesday 6pm, 20 min

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 min*

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 Sermon on the Mount. All are invited for drinks in the Chaplain's set following the service. See Special Events for 5th and 8th Weeks.

Compline

► *Thursday 9.30pm, 20 min*

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.

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

Oriel–Corpus College Mass

► *Tuesday 23 April (1st Week), 6pm*

All are invited to the termly Mass celebrated by the Roman Catholic Chaplain to the University beginning at 6pm at Corpus Christi College Chapel followed by Evening Prayer for Christian Unity at Oriel Chapel at 6.45pm. Book into Formal Hall at Oriel afterwards.

Choral Awards Open Day Evensong

► *Saturday 27 April (1st Week), 6pm*

Prospective applicants for choral scholarships will sing with the Choir at a service of Evensong. All are welcome.

Ascension Day

► *Thursday 9 May (3rd Week)*

10.30am Assemble in Magpie Lane for the traditional 'beating of the bounds' by the children of the parish, followed by ice cream.

12.30pm Be on the Hall steps at lunchtime to hear the Choir sing hymns from the tower to mark Christ's ascension into heaven.

9.30pm The choral scholars sing Compline in Chapel.

Baptism Service

► *Sunday 12 May (4th Week), 6pm*

Come and support those being baptised into the Christian faith at our regular service of Choral Evensong.

Joint Service at Keble Chapel

► *Tuesday 21 May (5th Week), 6pm*

Each year the choirs of Oriel and Keble sing a service together. All Oriel members are invited this year to Keble College Chapel in place of our regular Wednesday service.

Christian Union Talk

► *Wednesday 12 June (8th Week), 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), 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 confidentially any matter of concern – big or small, religious or not. He is a member of the College’s welfare team and 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 Scholars 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 Scholars	Edward Bence, Virginia Browne, Alessandro MacKinnon-Botti
Choir Chair	Jerric Chong
Bible Clerks	Junsoo Kim (Head Clerk), James Fulcher, Michal Harris-Edwards, Claire Latham, Hannah Preston, John Thuppayath
Sacristan	Oliver Mullen

YouTube Archive

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 contact the College Rep at zacharias.yeo@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