Chapel Personnel

Chaplain
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The Director of Music is pleased to receive enquiries from prospective members of the Choir at any time.

The Christian Union representative is Joshua Coombe.

Other Religious Traditions

A number of other denominations and faiths have centres of worship and community life in Oxford. A few are listed here. Please contact the Chaplain for further information.

The Roman Catholic Chaplaincy holds a mass in college each term. The chaplains are Fr Damian Howard SJ, Fr William Pearsall SJ and Alvea Fernandes. catholic.chaplaincy@ox.ac.uk

The Jewish Chaplains are Rabbi Michael and Tracey Rosenfeld-Schuler. Tel. 07717 742835. Email: michael@mychaplaincy.co.uk; tracey@mychaplaincy.co.uk. Website: www.mychaplaincy.co.uk

The Greek Orthodox Chaplain is the Very Revd Ian Graham (rian_graham@yahoo.co.uk). The Russian Orthodox Chaplain is the Very Revd Stephen Platt (fr.stephen.platt@gmail.com).

The Hindu Chaplain is Shaunaka Rishi Das (01865 304303); shaunaka@ochs.org.uk

The Muslim Chaplain is Dr Afifi Al-Akiti (afifi.al-akiti@worc.ox.ac.uk)

The College Grace

Nos miseri homines et egeni, pro cibis quos nobis ad corporis subsidium benigne es largitus, tibi Deus omnipotens, Pater caelestis, gratias reverenter agimus; simul obsecrantes, ut iis sobrie, modeste, atque grate utamur. Insuper petimus, ut cibum angelorum, verum panem caelestem, verbum Dei aeternum, Dominum nostrum Jesum Christum, nobis impertiaris: utque illo mens nostra pascatur, et per carnem et sanguinem ejus foveamur, alamur, et corroboremur.

We unhappy and unworthy people do give thee most reverent thanks, almighty God, our heavenly Father, for the victuals which thou hast bestowed on us for the sustenance of the body, at the same time beseeching thee that we may use them soberly, modestly and gratefully. And above all we beseech thee to impart to us the food of angels, the true bread of heaven, the eternal word of God, Jesus Christ our Lord, so that the mind of each of us may feed on him and that through his flesh and blood we may be sustained, nourished and strengthened.

Worcester College Prayer

Tibi, benignissime Deus, operis omnis boni omnisque doni perfecti Authori, gratias humillime agimus, quod ad Collegium hoc fundandum piissimum virum Thomas Cookesium inspiraveris (cujus memoria sit in benedictionem); rogantes ut nos, tanta illius liberalitate ad bonarum literarum pietatisque studia animati, utrarumque praemia adipiscamur per Jesum Christum Dominum nostrum. Amen.

Preces Vespertinae, 1906

TO THEE, most beneficent God, Author of every good work and of every perfect gift, we humbly give thanks, that thou didst inspire that most pious man Thomas Cookes (blessed be his memory) to found this College; and we pray that, so inspired by his great generosity to study sound learning and virtue, we may attain the rewards of both, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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CHAPEL





HILARY TERM 2024

All are welcome to attend Chapel services: members of any religion or of none, members of Worcester or not. Our services are broadly Church of England in nature and draw on that rich inheritance in language and music. These offer a strong appeal for anyone who has ever felt the need to sit and take a moment with eternity. If you have never experienced this type of worship, Worcester Chapel offers you this gift.

Weekday Services

Sunday	6.00 pm	College Evensong (College Communion, week 8)
Monday	8.15 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Choral Reflection (RC Mass, week 6)
Tuesday		Morning Prayer Choral Evensong
Wednesday	8.15 am 9.00 pm	Morning Prayer Compline
Thursday	8.15 am 6.00 pm	Morning Prayer Choral Evensong, weeks 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 College Communion, week 3 Music and Readings for Lent, week 8
Friday	8.15 am	Morning Prayer

The Chaplain

The Chaplain, the Revd Marcus Green, is available to all members of College for conversation, guidance, or a listening ear. He leads the Chapel community in its regular worship, which is likewise open to everyone regardless of their religious affiliation or experience. As Chaplain, he also supports other faith-based activities in College including use of the Multi-Faith Prayer Room and the Woodroffe Society discussion group. The Chaplain's room is Briggs 3.

The College Choir

The College Choir sings at Chapel services four times a week throughout term time, with boys from Christ Church Cathedral School usually singing Tuesday Evensong as well as most Sundays. Details of the choir, and of all the music to be sung at our services, can be found on the Chapel website. The Choir has a terrific social and musical heritage, and the Director of Music is always delighted to hear from any student who is interested in singing with us.

Reading in Chapel

If you would like to join the team of readers who read the Bible during Chapel services, please contact the Chaplain.

Daily Prayer

How do you begin the day in the best frame of mind? How do you get your heart and your brain into gear? Come and join those who say Morning Prayer each day from Monday to Friday at 8.15 am in the Chapel followed by breakfast. This is a chance to pray for the things that are worrying you and to hear Bible readings for the day. There is a long history of daily prayer in this place, where for centuries students have been enriched by the daily diet of psalms, Bible readings, and prayers.

Sunday Preachers for Hilary Term 2024

First week (14 January)	The Chaplain
Second week (21 January)	The Assistant Chaplain
Third week	The Revd Charlie Kerr
(28 January)	School Chaplaincy Adviser, Diocese of Oxford
Fourth week	The Rt Revd Dr Graham Tomlin
(4 February)	Director of the Centre for Cultural Witness
Fifth week	The Revd Ross Meikle
(11 February)	Vicar of Redlands Parish Church, Reading
Sixth week (18 February)	TBC
Seventh week (25 February)	The Chaplain
Eighth week	Mr Tory Baucum
(26 November)	Director of the Center for Family Life, Benedictine College, Atchison, Kansas, USA

Choral Reflection: The Fruit of the Spirit

This term our Choral Reflections (Mondays at 6 pm) consider the Fruit of the Spirit (Galatians 5.22-23). The aim of this weekly service is to provide a more reflective space, shaping our thoughts and prayers through music, words and silence. All are welcome to any or all of these services.

Chapel Supper

Following Choral Reflection in weeks 1, 3, 5, and 7, everyone who attends the service is invited to join with us and enjoy a (free!) supper in the Memorial Room.

Compline

This meditative, chanted service is chanted every Wednesday of the year at 9 pm. In term time, it is followed by port and hot chocolate in the Chaplain's room. All are welcome.

Special Events this term

College Communion for Candlemas

Everyone is invited to celebrate the feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Candlemas) with a service of Holy Communion on Thursday of 3rd week at 6 pm.

Ash Wednesday

The season of Lent begins in College with a service of Holy Communion on Ash Wednesday (Wednesday of 5th week, 14 February) at 6 pm. The service will include the opportunity to receive the sign of the cross on the forehead in ash, a traditional symbol of penitence and faith. Please note that there will be no choral service on 15 February.

Roman Catholic Mass in College

We are delighted that our friends from the University Catholic Chaplaincy come to chapel each term, with one of their Chaplains saying mass. This term this service takes place on Monday of 6th week at 6 pm. All welcome.

The Way of the Cross: Music and Readings for Lent

The Chapel presents a meditative service of music, readings, and reflection for the Lenten season on Thursday of 8th week (7 March) at 6 pm.