



CHRIST'S COLLEGE

Chapel Services



'Strutting with Ostriches' by Garth Bayley

Easter Term 2024

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Choral Services

Our main service of the week is at 6pm on Sunday evening. This is a service of Choral Evensong with an address, and is followed by drinks in the ante-chapel. Choral Evensong is also sung by the choir on Thursdays at 6.45pm.

Contemplative Services

Tuesday nights are when we hold contemplative services. Depending on the term, this may be traditional Compline, a contemporary Soulscape, or a reflective Holy Communion. These services are followed by port and hot chocolate in AI.

Said Services

From Monday to Friday, morning prayer is said in the chapel at 8.30am. On Monday and Friday evening prayer is said at 5.45pm.

Special Services this Term

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| Sunday 28 April | Eucharist and Lighting of the Easter Candle (10am)
We mark and light the new Paschal Candle with a flame brought from a local church |
| Thursday 9 May | Ascension Anthems (8.15am, First Court)
The choir sings anthems from the top of the Great Gate to celebrate the Feast of the Ascension |
| Tuesdays 14 May and 4 June | Compline (9.15pm)
A peaceful candlelit service, sung by the choir, followed refreshments in AI. |
| Thursday 30 May | Choral Eucharist for Corpus Christi (6.15pm)
A festal service to celebrate the gift of Holy Communion, followed by refreshments. |
| Thursday 13 June | Alumni Choral Evensong (6.30pm)
We welcome back alumni for our final Evensong of term. |
| Tuesday 25 June | Leavers' Service (6pm)
A service to celebrate and give thanks for our graduands before the graduation dinner. |

Sunday Evensong Sermon Series

Celebrating Creatures

We share the planet with all manner of creatures: the birds of the air, the fish of the sea and whatsoever crawls or runs on the land. This term we reflect on our relationship with other species. They may feed and clothe us; lift our spirits with their beauty and calm our minds with their company. Sadly, we humans do not always care for and protect other species in a way that is responsible and respectful, and so this term we bring together speakers who are concerned for creatures from a variety of different angles. We celebrate the glorious diversity of all living beings through word and music, have the opportunity to bring our companion animals into the chapel for blessing, and dial down the stress of Easter term as we watch the fish in our antechapel aquarium.

28 April Easter 5	The Chaplain Evensong and Blessing of the Animals.
5 May Easter 6	Dr Joyce D'Silva Author of <i>'Animal Welfare in World Religion'</i> , Ambassador Emeritus for CiWF and Patron of Animal Interfaith Alliance.
12 May Easter 7	Philip Lymbery Chief Executive Officer, Compassion in World Farming Author of <i>'Farmageddon'</i> and <i>'Sixty Harvests Left'</i> .
19 May Pentecost	Professor Daniel Field Professor of Vertebrate Palaeontology, Strickland Curator of Ornithology, Museum of Zoology, and Fellow of Christ's College.
26 May Trinity Sunday	Brother Samuel SSF Society of St Francis Brothers in Plaistow, East London Author of <i>'Seeing Differently: Franciscans and Creation'</i> .
2 June Trinity 1	Dr Clair Linzey Dep. Director, Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics, Professor of Animal Theology for Graduate Theological Foundation, and Research Fellow in Animal Ethics, Wycliffe Hall, Oxford.
9 June Trinity 2	The Chaplain

Lectio Resurrectio!

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During the Easter term there will be the opportunity to meet and look more closely at Biblical texts of the resurrection. We'll consider background, discuss content, look at relevant art and use the texts in prayer via the method of Lectio Divina. The sessions will run on Wednesdays 1, 15 and 29 May from 8-9pm. Held in A1, with refreshments.

Chapel Contacts

The **Chaplain** is The Reverend Dr Helen Orchard. Helen is readily available to speak in confidence with any member of the college (irrespective of religious belief) concerning any matter. She can be contacted in her rooms (Second Court, A1) or by email (hco23).

All members of the college community – students, fellows or staff – are welcome to read the lesson or assist with clerking at a service. Please contact the Chaplain for more details.

Chapel Music is organised by the Director of Music, Prof David Rowland (der26). If you would like to sing in the choir, please contact him, or the Choir Administrator, Tom Baarda (thb37).

Christian Groups

For information about the Roman Catholic Chaplaincy, contact Jeremy Lee (jhjl2). For information about the College Christian Union, contact Lois Turner (lt542). For details of the Student Christian Movement, see cambridgescm.wordpress.com

Faith Contacts

The Chaplain has contacts with representatives from a range of religions and denominations. If you would like to be put in touch with members of a particular faith, please get in touch with her.

The Sacraments

All who customarily receive the Eucharist (Holy Communion) are welcome to receive it in the College Chapel, regardless of denomination. Also available for college members and staff are preparation for Baptism and Confirmation, the Sacrament of Reconciliation (sometimes called Confession), and prayer with Anointing for Healing. Please contact the Chaplain for further details.