ST PETER’S COLLEGE
CHAPEL

Prayer by George Frederic Watts (1817-1904)

Trinity Term 2024
Chapel Worship

All members of St Peter’s and their guests are warmly invited to attend Chapel services. The main services on Sundays and Thursdays normally take the form of Choral Evensong. Services of Choral Evensong are led by the Chaplain and Choir and include music sung by the Choir, Bible readings, prayers and hymns led by the Choir. On Sundays there is also a short sermon that follows the theme of the term. Anyone is welcome to attend as a participant in Christian worship or as an observer. In addition to these formal services there is College prayer on Thursday morning from 10-10.20am and informal Holy Communion on Sunday week 1 at 8.45am followed by breakfast.

Sundays
8.45am Informal Holy Communion (week 1 only)
6-7pm Choral Evensong (weeks 1-8)

Sunday Evensong is normally live streamed:
www.youtube.com/@SPCOxfordChapel

Tuesdays
9.00pm Compline (week 3 only)

Thursdays
10-10.20am Morning Prayer (weeks 1-8)
6.15-7pm Choral Evensong (weeks 1-8)

Occasional Offices & Special Events

Saturday 27 April, 6pm Organ and Choral Scholars’ Open Day Evensong
Friday 24 May, 6pm Roman Catholic Mass in the Chapel
(organised by the Catholic Chaplaincy)
Sunday 16 June, 2.30pm A Service in commemoration of the Founder and Benefactors

About the College Chapel
The College Chapel is the historic parish church of St Peter-le-Bailey in the Diocese of Oxford. Except during rehearsals and other events, the Chapel is open to all members of the College for quiet reflection and private prayer: it is set aside each weekday morning for private prayer between 8am and 8.50am.

Further information
For information on other faith communities please contact the Chaplain.
For Chapel bookings—please contact the Director of Music for music, and the Chaplain for anything else. Procedure for booking the Chapel together with the Chapel protocols may be found on the Chapel pages of the College website.
Choral Evensong & Sermon
Sundays, 6.00pm

The sermon series at Evensong this term is entitled ‘Prayer’.

1st Week, 21 April 2024
Preacher: The Chaplain
Title: Is Prayer a Therapeutic Monologue?

2nd Week, 28 April 2024
Preacher: Revd Dr Anne Holmes, Associate Priest at St Giles’ and St Margaret’s
Title: Prayer and Confession

3rd Week, 5 May 2024
Preacher: Alvea Fernandes, Roman Catholic Chaplaincy
Title: Prayer and Spiritual Growth

4th Week, 12 May 2024 (Followed by Formal Hall)
Joint Service with the Choir of All Saints’ Northampton
Preacher: Revd Joseph Murphy, DPhil student at St Peter’s and Priest in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Sydney, Australia.
Title: The Lord’s Prayer

5th Week, 19 May 2024 (followed by Formal Hall)
Preacher: Revd Dr Jonathan Brant, Dean for Research and Cultural Development at Wycliffe Hall
Title: The Holy Spirit and Prayer

6th Week, 26 May 2024
Preacher: Revd Mia Smith, Welfare Officer at Wycliffe Hall
Title: Praying in the Darkness

7th Week, 2 June 2024
Preacher: Brother Bede Mullens, Blackfriars
Title: Can Prayer Change God’s Mind?

8th Week, 9 June 2024
Preacher: The Chaplain
Title: Prayer and the Faithfulness of God

9th Week, 16 June 2024,
2.30pm, Founder and Benefactors Service
Preacher: Revd Canon Angela Tilby, Canon Emeritus of Christ Church, Oxford and Honorary Canon of Portsmouth Cathedral
Chaplain
The College’s part-time Chaplain is the Revd Dr Elizabeth Pitkethly. The Chaplain has a background in teaching and academic music specializing in the area of the development of music societies in English Cathedral Cities in the first half of the eighteenth century. The Chaplain’s office is Besse 5 (t.278905) She can also be contacted by email: elizabeth.pitkethly@spc.ox.ac.uk
The Chaplain is a member of the College’s welfare team and is normally in College on Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays. She is happy to chat in confidence with any member of the College, irrespective of their faith background.
Any student is invited to drop by to chat with the Chaplain in her room in Besse 5 on Thursdays between 3.00pm and 4.30pm (not week 6). Anyone interested in joining a discussion group exploring the Christian faith should also contact the Chaplain.

The Director of Music
The College’s Director of Music is Quintin Beer, a specialist choral director. In addition to his work at St Peter’s, Quintin is Director of Music at St Cuthbert’s Church, Earl’s Court, an Anglo-Catholic church in West London which supports a professional choir. Quintin also maintains a freelance career as a choral conductor, singer, and teacher. He received his MA from the Royal Academy of Music. Quintin is always interested in hearing from anyone wishing to join the College Choir or wanting to be more involved in College music. He is very happy for people to email him directly at: quintin.beer@spc.ox.ac.uk

The College Organ Scholars
Jason Mark (Allen Organ Scholar) and Magdalena Beil Harvey (Organ Volunteer) work with the Director of Music to direct and support the College Choir and music in Chapel.

Chapel Clerks
Tianqi Wang and Mariia Shmonina serve as Chapel Clerks. Anyone interested in helping out at services should get in touch with the Chaplain.

Christian Union Contact: Jonathan Clark
Roman Catholic Representative: Tierney Hall