

ST PETER'S COLLEGE CHAPEL CARD



Michaelmas 2020

The College Chapel

The College Chapel is the historic parish church of St Peter-le-Bailey. The Revd Dr Elizabeth Pitkethly, the College Chaplain is responsible for the services which are conducted according to the rites of the Church of England. Anyone is welcome to come to any Chapel service or event and to participate or just observe. The music (sung by our Choir and played by our organ scholars) is fantastic and the services are a great opportunity for spiritual reflection: its fine to come and just listen, so do come along.

Chapel Worship

This term there will be a mixture of socially-distanced services in Chapel together with virtual services. Details of activities (and any changes) are posted on the St Peter's College Chapel Facebook page and on the College website www.spc.ox.ac.uk/chapel. If you wish to join a virtual service, please email the Chaplain so that she can send you a Microsoft Teams invite.

Services during Full Term (starting Sunday 11 October)

Sundays

9.20-9.50am Holy Communion (11 & 25 Oct; 8 & 22 Nov: weeks 1 3 5 &7)

This service, which is scheduled to take place in Chapel, provides a good opportunity for students to meet with other Christians in College. It is a 30 minute service followed by breakfast.

5.30pm Virtual Choral Evensong (online via Microsoft Teams)

This is a sung service (no sermon) with Bible Readings, prayers and hymns led by the choir.

Tuesdays

9-9.20pm Virtual Spoken Compline (online via Microsoft Teams) weeks 2 4 6 & 8. Compline (Night Prayer) is a reflective monastic service

Thursdays (live services in Chapel)

8.30-8.50am Morning Prayer (online via Microsoft Teams)

5.30-6.00pm Compline ('Night' Prayer) Choral Evensong or Evening Prayer in Chapel. Members of the Choir will be singing so do come along and enjoy this socially-distanced experience!

Prayer

The Chapel will be open for individual private prayer at the times displayed on the notice board outside chapel and every **Friday from 12-12.30pm** when the Chaplain or chaplaincy assistant will be available to pray with or for any member of College. Prayer requests may be emailed or written on slips of paper and posted in the box in Chapel.

Special Services

Roman Catholic Mass on Friday week 4 at 6pm (Virtual).

There will be special pre-recorded services to mark Remembrance Sunday and Advent & Christmas. All College members should be sent a link; the services may be found at www.spc.ox.ac.uk/chapel.

Choir Recordings

The Choir will continue with its distanced multitrack recordings. Given the present restrictions, these will be the only opportunity to hear the full Choir perform this term. During weeks 0 to 4, the music will reflect the liturgical season. From week 5, the Choir will concentrate on compiling the music for the two special recorded services of term: Remembrance and the Advent Carols.

Discussion Groups

There are currently two online groups for students: 'Thinking about Faith' for those interested in finding out more about the Christian faith and a group for those exploring Baptism and Confirmation which uses the pilgrim course www.pilgrimcourse.org Contact the Chaplain for details. Anyone interested in joining a discussion group for staff should contact the Chaplain.

Chapel Bookings and Weddings

The College is currently closed to all visitors. For all Chapel bookings please contact the Chaplain. Due to uncertainties surrounding COVID we are currently not taking any bookings for weddings or other occasional offices in the College Chapel.

Online Prayer Resources

<https://discoveringprayer.com/course> (Church of England)

<https://pray-as-you-go.org/home> (Jesuit)

The Chaplain

The College's part-time Chaplain is the Rev Dr Elizabeth Pitkethly. The Chaplain has a background in teaching and academic music specialising 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) or via the Porter's Lodge and is normally in College on Thursday, Friday and Sunday.

The Chaplain is also part of the College Welfare Team and is always glad to chat to members of the College and its staff either in person or online.

She will be providing tea and chat in the doorway of the Chapel Linton Quad on Thursday afternoons from 3.30pm and on some Friday afternoons so do drop by and introduce yourself.

The Director of Music

This term, the Chapel Choir is in the hands of Professor Edward Higginbottom, the University's first and only Professor of Choral Music, and former director of the Choir of New College. His long and distinguished career has taken him across the globe, and involved him in recording some 120 CDs, from plainchant to James MacMillan, from William Byrd to Herbert Howells, passing by Handel, Bach, Haydn, Mozart and Brahms. The Music Lists for St Peter's Choir will reflect the breadth and diversity of his musical interests, also represented in his many ongoing freelance activities.

The College Organ Scholars

Andrej Ivanović (Allen Senior Organ Scholar) and Stanley Godfrey (Siraj Singh Kandhari Junior Organ Scholar) work with Edward Higginbottom to direct and support the College Choir and music in Chapel.

The Christian Union

For information please contact Luca Williams or Daniel Kerwin.

Helping with Chapel/Chapel Clerks

Any student interested in helping with the services by reading and practical assistance (such as handing out service sheets, putting out the candles and ringing the chapel bells) should contact the Chaplain. There is also a team of Chapel Clerks who support the Chaplain with the services. Chapel Clerk team: William Roberts, Nandipa Mabere, Joao Pereira, and Matthew Antrobus.



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