

Keble College Oxford & St Andrew's Headington

Chapel & Parish Internship



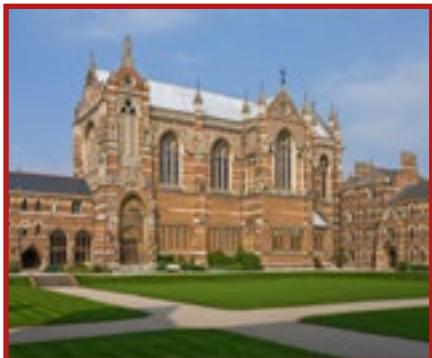


Chapel & Parish Intern September 2026-August 2027

The Keble-St Andrew's Internship is a unique opportunity for someone working towards ordination in the Church of England to grow in their experience of ministry in both an Oxford College Chapel and a local Parish Church.

The year will give you a broad range of developmental opportunities, from getting hands-on practical experience of a busy student ministry in College, to the opportunity to develop your skills in ministry to parishioners, schools, and hospitals through St Andrew's parish. There will also be time (and resources) for you to draw on your own inspiration and undertake your own projects, making a rewarding contribution to our two communities. All this is underpinned by participation in the daily prayer life of the Chapel and Parish, at the heart of which is our rich sacramental and musical worship.

Keble College



Founded in memory of John Keble, the priest, poet, and leading figure in the Oxford Movement, Keble College is one of the University of Oxford's largest Colleges, with a majestic Chapel by William Butterfield, excellent music, and a Chapel tradition of liberal Catholic Anglicanism. The Chaplain leads a busy programme for students of all faiths and none, and the activities you will participate in range from services, to social events, discussion groups (on topics as diverse as poetry, engineering, and history), and much more.

Your work at Keble will be supervised by Fr Max Kramer. Fr Max has 15+ years of experience in student ministry, has served in both College Chapels and Parishes, and before coming to Keble was the Precentor of Canterbury Cathedral. There he organised the large-scale and culturally-diverse Cathedral worship for the 2022 Lambeth Conference, amidst a range of other educational, artistic, and practical projects, and established a new young adult ministry – called Sacred Space – for the students and young professionals of Canterbury.



St Andrew's



St Andrew's is a lively liberal Catholic Parish in Oxford. The Parish is committed to serving its community, not only through activities in Church for people of all ages, but also through connections with local schools and hospitals. There is an active Young Church programme, a welcoming and talented choir, and a congregation which values caring for one another. You will experience the whole range of parish ministry, from worship, to schools work, pastoral visiting, the full range of baptisms, weddings, and funerals, and involvement in the key moments of the liturgical year.

Your work at St Andrew's will be supervised by Mthr Emma Hopegood Jones. Emma has extensive experience of parish ministry and clergy formation. She has been Vicar of St Andrew's Headington (A Keble College Living) since September 2025. Alongside her parish ministry, Emma is Co-founder of The College of Catholic Anglican Women, supporting and amplifying the voices of women across lay and ordained vocations. She has experience of supervising curates, ordinands and lay leaders, with a particular commitment to reflective practice, theological formation, and pastoral development.





What we offer you

Salary

The intern will receive a salary, based on a 40 hour working week. This is currently ca. **£27,000**, to be reviewed in line with cost of living over the summer.

Development Budget

There is a budget of up to **£3,000** allocated to this role to cover the projects undertaken by the intern. Fr Max will provide advice in shaping your projects, be responsible for deciding whether they can be approved, and supervise your running of them.

Meals

The intern will be entitled to **free breakfast and one further free meal in College per day when on duty in College**. Additionally, the intern will have the same rights to eat in hall as a student at their own cost.

Supervision

The intern will receive **regular supervision** to enable them to reflect on their experiences and grow in their journey towards ordination.

College Community

The Ordinand will be a full part of the College's active, sociable, and friendly community.

Term

The internship is a **1-year fixed term contract**.

Hours & Leave

The intern is expected to work an average of **40 hours per week**. These hours are to be worked flexibly depending on duties, with need for regular evening and weekend working.

During University Term the intern will spend almost all their time engaged in College duties. However, they are expected to attend the Sunday morning Mass at St Andrew's throughout the year (College has no Sunday morning service).

Outside University Term the intern will spend almost all their time (when not on leave) engaged in duties at St Andrew's.

The intern will always have **one full 24-hour period clear of duties each week**.

The intern is entitled to take **38 days leave**, including bank holidays. Leave may **not** be taken during the following times: University Term (1 Oct – 9 Dec 2026; 11 Jan – 12 Mar 2027; 19 Apr – 18 Jun 2027)

Christmas Period (15 – 25 Dec 2026)

Holy Week & Easter Period (14 – 28 Mar 2027)

Probation

The probation period for this role is **4 months**.

Your Duties

Job Title: Chapel & Parish Intern

Responsible to: The Chaplain (Fr Max Kramer)

Objective

To grow in understanding and to develop some of the practical skills of ministry through assisting with the life of Keble College Chapel and St Andrew's Church, Headington.

Key Responsibilities in Keble (during term)

1. Attending daily Chapel worship, and taking a turn in leading.
2. Undertaking liturgical tasks such as serving, Bible reading, training servers, and (if suitably able) preaching.
3. Assist with the planning of Chapel services.
4. Lead on strategy, design, and production for Chapel publicity (print and online) under the supervision of the Chaplain.
5. Help with the general organisation and administration of Chapel life, including preparing, proof-reading, and reproducing orders of service, arranging furniture for services, organising and ordering sacristy supplies, assisting Chapel Clerks with rotas etc.
6. Assisting with hosting the Chaplain's hospitality and social events, and organising supplies for these events.
7. Being a welcoming presence in Chapel life, and a friendly and encouraging member of the College community.
8. Depending on experience and interests, develop and lead own projects (e.g. reading groups, social events, study groups).

Please note that because of the nature of College arrangements for the pastoral care of students, the intern is not expected to undertake one-to-one pastoral work within the College.

Key Responsibilities at St Andrew's (outside term)

1. Attending and leading worship and preaching.
2. Home visiting and pastoral work with members of the congregation.
3. Hospital and School ministry, including Hospital visiting and School assemblies.
4. Engagement in Parish community projects.
5. Assistance with Parish activities at key moments of the year such as Christmas and Easter.
6. Depending on experience and interests, develop and lead own projects (e.g. reading groups, social events, study groups).





Person Specification

Essential

1. Clear evidence of engagement with the official process for discerning a call to ordained ministry within the Church of England (such as being in discussions with a diocesan vocations officer with a view to attending a Bishop's Advisory Panel in due course).
2. Sympathy with the liberal Catholic tradition of Keble Chapel and St Andrew's Headington, and with the cultural diversity and inclusive ethos of Keble College.
3. An undergraduate degree in any subject or clear evidence of an equivalent level of academic interest and attainment.
4. Strong organisational abilities, excellent attention to detail, the ability to take responsibility for and manage own workload, reliability and punctuality.
5. Knowledge and confidence in the use of IT.
6. Effective design skills for print and online publicity material, and ability to use (or learn to use) the IT packages needed to produce this. Flair and creativity in developing different forms of publicity, and for increasing engagement with social media and online content.
7. Aptitude for leadership, with the ability to offer appropriate direction and instruction to volunteers with sensitivity and a positive approach.
8. Ability to encourage the talents and work of others, and the ability to let others take the lead.
9. Positive approach to work and a friendly and compassionate approach to others.
10. Confident in engaging with others and in meeting new people.

Desirable

1. An understanding of worship in the modern Catholic tradition.
2. Experience of organising and publicising events or groups.

DBS

DBS Enhanced Disclosure will be required for the Parish aspects of this role. Details of this process will be provided to the successful candidate before the appointment is confirmed.

Application Process

Those considering applying are welcome to speak to Fr Max to arrange an informal conversation to find out more about the role before making a formal application. Please email max.kramer@keble.ox.ac.uk if you wish to do this.

Applications should be submitted to Fr Max Kramer (max.kramer@keble.ox.ac.uk) via email by

Friday 27 February 2026, 12 noon

Applications should contain:

- A covering letter explaining why you wish to apply for the role (maximum 2 pages).
- A CV detailing your experience and interests (maximum 2 pages).
- A one-paragraph description of how you would go about publicising a reading group (on a text of your choice) together with a draft poster and social media post (including graphics) publicising the group.
- Contact details of a Diocesan Director of Ordinands or similar officer who can confirm that you are engaged in the discernment process for ordination.
- Contact details of two referees (name, current role, email address, phone number) who can write in support of your application. One of these must be the incumbent (or equivalent) of the Church or Chaplaincy which you most regularly attend. Referees will be asked to provide references if you are shortlisted. Please ensure you ask your referees' permission before submitting their details to us.

Interviews for shortlisted candidates will be held on **Thursday 5 March 2026**

There will be a chance to visit Keble College and St Andrew's Parish on the interview day. Reasonable travel expenses of shortlisted candidates (such as public transport costs) will be reimbursed.

Equal Opportunities Policy

Keble College is an equal opportunities employer and will work to remove any barriers, real or perceived, which might deter people of the highest quality from applying to the College as staff. It is the College's policy that no prospective, current or former member of staff will be treated less favourably than any other, whether before, during or after their employment at the College on one or more of the following grounds, save in so far as such treatment is within the law and determined by lawful requirements (e.g. a requirement for personal care by a member of the same sex): age, belief, disability, ethnic origin, marital status, nationality, national origin, parental status, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation and gender reassignment.

All data supplied by applicants will be used only for the purposes of determining their suitability for the post and will be held in accordance with the provisions of the Data Protection Act 2018 and the College's data protection policy.

To comply with UK employment legislation the successful candidate will be required to provide documentary evidence of his or her eligibility for employment before starting work with the College. Potential applicants should note that this advertisement does not satisfy the requirements of the UK Home Office in relation to a Skilled Worker visa.

Reflections from previous interns



Lizzy Flaherty (Intern 2023-2024)

"I found my time as Intern at Keble and St Andrew's, Headington, to be truly enjoyable and valuable. It was so useful to experience both parish life, and university chaplaincy, full time, and in a supportive environment with much helpful guidance and direction. The ability to take a hands-on role in the life of the Church has been invaluable, and one that I am constantly drawing on, as I train for the priesthood, and hope to be ordained and start as a curate this summer."

Hollie Goodwin (Intern 2024-2025)

"I really enjoyed my time as Chapel and Parish Intern! As well as developing ministry within a more traditional parish setting, the chance to work in college chaplaincy too makes the role unique in the Church of England. I especially enjoyed building relationships with the students at Keble, and seeing the chapel team grow in numbers and confidence throughout the year! There's plenty of support from the clergy and others at both St Andrew's and Keble, making this role ideal for anyone wanting to develop their sense of vocation."



Adrian Burbie (Intern 2025-2026)

"The Keble-St Andrew's internship is extremely valuable in giving one the space and experience to discern one's sense of vocation in two extremely different, but complementary, ministry contexts. I have enjoyed the level of responsibility and mentorship I have been afforded; in both roles, there is a unique opportunity to learn what ministry looks like and, just as importantly, discern what form one's own ministry might take."