

Keble College Chapel

Choral Services



Michaelmas Term 2025

Please feel free to take this booklet away with you

Keble Chapel is for everyone. Whatever you do or don't believe, you are very welcome to attend one of our services or just drop into Chapel for a moment of quiet in the middle of a busy day.

At the heart of our worship is the beautiful music of the Keble College Choir, one of Oxford's best-known vocal ensembles. They sing at the three main Chapel services each week:

The College Eucharist (Sundays 5.30pm) is the main service of the week, with hymns, choral music, and a thought-provoking talk. It lasts about one hour. The Eucharist (also called Mass or Communion) is the service in which the Scriptures are read, and the bread and wine is consecrated with the words 'the body of Christ...the blood of Christ'. The service is followed by pre-dinner drinks.

Choral Evensong (Tuesdays 6.00pm) is an English musical service that has become famous throughout the world. At around 40 minutes with a sequence of readings and prayers and lots of music, it's a perfect place for recollection and finding connection with ourselves and God at the end of the day.

Candlelit Compline (Thursdays 9.00pm) is a very special atmospheric service, lasting about half an hour. Lit by candle flames, the choir sings texts and anthems from this ancient monastic office, providing an opportunity for peace, meditation, and stillness at the heart of a busy week. It is followed by port and hot chocolate.

Part of the vision of those who founded Keble College was to make it a unique institution in Oxford. The brick architecture and the inclusive social ethos which enabled those of more modest incomes to attend the University are part of what makes Keble special, but also of crucial importance to Keble's founders was the fact that the College's style of worship should make it stand out in Oxford. Their commitment to beauty in worship continues to this day as music, vestments, incense, and the decoration of the Chapel engage all of our senses in the distinctive services held at Keble.

I hope very much that whatever you believe, you will find a place of peace and inspiration in Keble Chapel, where you are always welcome.

Fr Max Kramer
Chaplain

For more information about music in the chapel, applying for choral and organ scholarships, or the Keble Early Music Festival, please email music@keble.ox.ac.uk and see www.keble.ox.ac.uk/about/music

Director of Music: CHRISTIAN WILSON
Organ Scholars: LOUIS JONES
LOUIS HORSMAN CARPENTER

9 Thursday

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
 Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum*
 Tye, *Nunc dimittis*
 Lassus, *Ave regina caelorum a 6*

12 Sunday Freshers' Service NEH 436, AM 587, 368
 5.30pm **Choral Eucharist**
 Buxtehude, *Prelude, Fugue & Chaconne in C BuxWV 137*
 Mozart, 'Spatzenmesse' (K 220)
 Psalm 111.1-5
 Bach, *Prelude in e minor, BWV 548*

14 Tuesday Installation of Choir Members and Chapel Intern
 6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 427
 Stanford, *Prelude Op.101/1*
 Responses, Leighton
 Psalm 74
 Stanford in B flat
 Wood, *Hail gladdening light*
 Stanford, *Postlude in D minor*

16 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
 Jeremy Wan (Sub-Organist, Worcester College)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
 White, *Christe qui lux es et dies (IV)*
 Victoria, *Nunc dimittis (tertii toni)*
 Lotti, *Salve regina*

19 Sunday

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 461, 271, AM 650

Dubois, *Prelude in F*

Matthew Martin, *Keble Missa brevis*

Psalm 121

Tallis, *O sacrum convivium*

Howells, *Master Tallis's Testament*

21 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 341

Coleridge-Taylor, *Idyll*

Responses, *Ayleward*

Psalm 89.19-end

Wesley in E

Ravenscroft, *Laboravi in gemitu meo*

Buxtehude, *Fugue in G BuxWV 175*

23 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Louis Horsman Carpenter (Organ Scholar, Keble)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Wood, *Nunc dimittis*
McDowall, *Alma redemptoris mater*

26 Sunday

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 339, 333, 420
Fauré arr. Gouin, *Après un rêve*
Berkeley, Missa brevis
Psalm 84.1-7
Paul Brough, *Tantum ergo*
Bach, *Prelude in B minor BWV 544*

28 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 407
Byrd, *Clarifica me pater I, II, & III*
Responses, Ayleward
Psalm 119.1-16
Batten, Fourth Service
Maconchy, *Hymn to God the Father*
Byrd, *The Queen's Alman*

30 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Peter King (Concert Organist)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Olsson, *Nunc dimittis*
Richard Pantcheff, *Te lucis ante terminum*
Plainchant, *Salve regina*

2 Sunday ALL SAINTS
5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 197, 381, AM 818
Langlais, *Chant de paix*
Lassus, Missa 'Bell' amfitrit'
Psalm 149.1-6
Stanford, *Justorum animae*
Langlais, *Action de grâces 'Te Deum'*

4 Tuesday ALL SOULS
6.00pm **Sung Requiem** NEH 459
Arvo Pärt, *Pari intervallo*
Fauré, Requiem
Mendelssohn, *Andante con Moto from Sonata V*

6 Thursday
8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Alex Flood (Director of Music, Brasenose)
9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Esquivel, *Nunc dimittis*
Victoria, *Salve regina*

9 Sunday Remembrance Sunday

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 353, 417, 331

Buxtehude, *Klag-Lied from BuxWV 76*
 Howells, Collegium Regale
 Psalm 17.1-6
 Purcell, *Remember not, Lord, our offences*
 Guest, *For the Fallen*
 Elgar, *Nimrod* (arr. Gower)

11 Tuesday

11.00am **Act of Remembrance**

Guest, *For the Fallen*
 Stanford, *Beati quorum via*

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 457 (i)

Brahms, *Herzlich tut mich verlangen Op 122 Nos 9 & 10*
 Responses, Leighton
 Psalm 40
 Dyson in D
 Brahms, *Geistliches Lied*
 Buxtehude, *Passacaglia in d minor BuxWV 161*

13 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**

François Cloete (Organ Scholar, Westminster Abbey)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)

Tallis, *Nunc dimittis (a 5)*
 Taverner, *Mater Christi*

16 Sunday

5.30 pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 362, 439i, AM 546
Coleridge-Taylor, *Cameo*
Lobo, Missa 'Vox clamantis'
Psalm 98.1-5
Philips, *Ave verum*
Pierné, *Prelude from Trois Pieces*

18 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 452
Rheinberger, *Intermezzo from Sonata 8*
Responses, Tomkins
Psalm 67
Weir, St John's Service
Tomkins, *O sing unto the Lord*
Rheinberger, *Passacaglia from Sonata 8*

20 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Louis Jones (Organ Scholar, Keble)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Tallis, *Nunc dimittis*
Parsons, *Ave Maria*

23 Sunday CHRIST THE KING

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 352, AM 612, AM 663

Krebs, *Prelude in C major*

Jackson in G Communion Service

Psalm 46.1-7

Bonis, *Tantum ergo*

Reger, *Toccata and Fugue in d minor*

25 Tuesday

6.00pm **'Thanksgiving' Service** NEH 262, AM 65,

Alain, *Le jardin suspendu*

Responses, Leighton

Psalm 101

Leighton, Magdalen Service Magnificat

Matthew Martin, *Angelus ad virginem*

Traditional (arr. Lawson), *Down to the river to pray*

Bach, *Prelude and Fugue in G major BWV 541*

27 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**

Richard Moore (Sub-Organist, Christ Church)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)

Victoria, *Nunc dimittis*

Poulenc, *Salve regina*

28 Friday

5.30pm **Advent Carol Service 1**

30 Sunday

5.30pm **Advent Carol Service 2**

2 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 5

Bach, *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland*, BWV 659

Responses, Tomkins

Psalm 74 (19-24)

Daniel Purcell in E minor

Naylor, *Vox dicentis*

Böhm, *Prelude, Fugue and Postlude in g minor*

4 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**

Edward Gaut (Pusey House)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)

Holst, *Nunc Dimittis*

Kerensa Briggs, *A tender shoot*

5 Friday

5.30pm **Christmas Lessons and Carols**

Choral services resume on 18 January

