

Keble College Chapel

Choral Services



Michaelmas Term 2026

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

CHRISTIAN WILSON

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Organ Scholars

 8 Thursday

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
 Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum* (I)
 Esquivel, *Nunc Dimittis*
 Guerrero, *Ave virgo sanctissima*

11 Sunday Freshers' Service NEH 436, AM 587, 368
 5.30pm **Choral Eucharist**
 Schumann, *Studie in kanonischer Form Op. 56* (I)
 Mozart, *Missa Brevis* in D, K 194
 Psalm 106.1-6
 Dubois, *Toccata*

13 Tuesday Installation of Choir Members and Chapel Intern
 6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 427
 Vierne, *Communion* from *Tryptique*, *Op. 58*
 Responses, Leighton
 Psalm 107.1-22
 Murrill in E
 Walmisley, *Hail Gladdening Light*
 J. Strauss, *Radetsky March*

15 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
 Louis Jones (Organ Scholar, Keble College)
 9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
 Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum* (II)
 Victoria, *Nunc dimittis tertii toni*
 Victoria, *Salve regina a 5*

18 Sunday Luke the Evangelist
5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** AM 806, NEH 271, AM 650
Buxtehude, *Ciacona in E minor, BuxWV 160*
Lassus, Missa 'Bell' amfitrit' altera'
Psalm 99.1-6
Barlow, *Ave verum*
Bowen, *Fantasia in G minor*

20 Tuesday
6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 392
Bach, *Jesus bleibet meine Freude, BWV 147*
Responses, Leighton
Psalm 135
Tomkins Fifth Service
Dove, *Ecce beatam lucem*
Peeters, *Lied to the Flowers*

22 Thursday
8.30pm **Organ Recital**
François Cloete (Assistant Organist, Merton College)
9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Joubert, *O Lorde the maker of al thing*
George Malcolm, *Nunc Dimittis tertii toni*
Matthew Martin, *Ave maris stella*

25 Sunday

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 339, 333, 420
Vierne, *Clair de lune*
Berkeley, *Missa brevis*
Psalm 90
Howells, *O salutaris hostia*
Bruhns, *Praeludium in E minor, 'The Great'*

27 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 433 (om. 4, 5)
Howells, *Psalm-Prelude Set 1 (1)*
Responses, Smith
Psalm 9
Dyson in F
Brahms, *Wenn ein starker Gewappneter, Op. 109 (2)*
Bruhns, *Praeludium in G major*

29 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Jeremy Wan (Master of Music, Pusey House)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Schütz, *Herr, nun lässest du deinen diener*
Lotti, *Salve regina*

1 Sunday	ALL SAINTS	
5.30pm	Choral Eucharist	NEH 197, 381, AM 818
	Duruflé, <i>Chant donné</i>	
	Hassler, <i>Missa Octo vocem</i>	
	Psalm 34.3-10	
	Victoria, <i>O quam gloriosum</i>	
	Bach, <i>Prelude in c minor, BWV 546</i>	

3 Tuesday	ALL SOULS	
6.00pm	Sung Requiem	NEH 459
	Arvo Pärt, <i>Pari Intervallo</i>	
	Duruflé, <i>Requiem</i>	
	Brahms, <i>Herzlich tut mich verlangen, Op. 122 (10)</i>	

5 Thursday		
8.30pm	Organ Recital	
	Terence Charlston (Professor, Royal College of Music)	
9.00pm	Sung Compline (plainsong)	
	Bednall, <i>Te lucis ante terminim</i>	
	Tye, <i>Nunc Dimittis</i>	
	Lassus, <i>Salve regina a 6</i>	

8 Sunday Remembrance Sunday

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 353, 331, 294 (om. 3, 5)

Bach, *Wenn wir in höchsten Nöten sein*, BWV 641

Howells, Collegium Regale

Psalm 70

Byrd, *Justorum animae*

Bonis, *Ave verum corpus*

Howells, *Rhapsody No.1*

10 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 393

Vierne, *Epitaphe*

Responses, Smith

Psalm 40

Purcell in G minor

Dale, *Crossing the Bar*

Rheinberger, *Passacaglia* from *Sonata No. 8*

11 Wednesday

11.00am **Act of Remembrance**

Byrd, *Justorum animae*

12 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**

Daniel Greenway (Organist, Tower of London)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)

Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum*

Hassler, *Nunc Dimittis*

Victoria, *Salve regina a 5*

15 Sunday

5.30 pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 362, 439i, NEH 305
Sweelinck, *Echo Fantasia*
Leighton, *Missa Brevis*, Op. 50
Psalm 90.1-8
Severac, *Tantum Ergo*
Reger, *Improvisation* from *Sonata No. 2*

17 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 385
Byrd, *The Queen's Alman*
Responses, Clucas
Psalm 67
Howells Westminster Service
Anna Þorvaldsdóttir, *Heyr þú oss himnum á*
Gigout, *Toccata in B minor*, from *10 Pieces for Organ*

19 Thursday

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

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Martin, *Te lucis ante terminum*
Beach, *Nunc Dimittis*
Aleotti, *Sancta et immaculata virginitas*

22 Sunday CHRIST THE KING**5.30pm Choral Eucharist** NEH 352, AM 612, AM 663Cabanilles, *Pasacalles de 1° tono*

Allegri, Missa 'Che fa oggi il mio sole'

Psalm 95.1-7

Dupré, *O salutaris hostia*Bach, *Pièce d'orgue, BWV 572*

24 Tuesday**6.00pm 'Thanksgiving' Service**Vierne, *Épithalame*

Responses, Clucas

Psalm 101

Kelly in C (Magnificat)

Britten, *Hymn to the Virgin*Paulus, *The Road Home*Liszt, *Prelude and Fugue on BACH*

26 Thursday**8.30pm Organ Recital**

Sebastian Murray (St Peter's College)

9.00pm Sung Compline (plainsong)Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum*Tallis, *Nunc Dimittis a 5*Olsson, *Ave Maris Stella*

27 Friday**5.30pm Advent Carol Service I**

29 Sunday5.30pm **Advent Carol Service II**

1 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 15
Clérambault, *Flûtes* from *Suite du 2^e ton*
Responses, Tomkins
Psalm 74
Weelkes Short Service
Clemens, *Ego flos campi a 7*
Duruflé, *Choral varié sur le thème 'Veni Creator'*

3 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Riko Suzuki (Kemble College)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Bednall, *Te lucis ante terminum*
Wood, *Nunc Dimittis*
Bruckner, *Ave Maria*

4 Friday5.30pm **Christmas Lessons and Carols**

Choral services resume on 17 January

