

Keble College Chapel

Choral Services



Trinity 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 Scholar: EDWARD GAUT
Assistant Organist: FREDERICK FROSTWICK

26 Saturday

6.00pm

Choral Scholars Open Day Evensong

NEH 427

Whitlock, IV: Salix (Plymouth Suite)

Responses, Rose

Psalm 145; 1-13

Wood in F 'Collegium Regale'

James MacMillan, *A New Song*Wood, F. H. IV: *Rochester Bells (Scenes in Kent)*

27 Sunday

ST MARK'S DAY

Commemoration of Founders and Benefactors

5.30pm

Thanksgiving Service

NEH 341, 333, 120

*Bach, Christ ist erstanden BWV 627**Vulpius, Christ now is risen*

Psalm 122

Howells, Te Deum 'Collegium Regale'

Hadley, *My beloved spake*Howells, *Paean*

29 Tuesday

6.00pm

Choral Evensong

NEH 112

Bach, Allegro from Trio No. 5 in C major

Responses, Rose

Psalm 45

Wood in F

Martin Baker, *Christus vincit*Wesley, *Choral Song*

 1 Thursday

8.30pm

Organ Recital

Chukwuka Onyenze (Lagos)

9.00pm

Sung Compline (plainsong)Tallis, *Te lucis ante terminum*Victoria, *Nunc dimittis* (tertii toni)Palestrina, *Regina caeli*

 4 Sunday

Third Sunday of Easter

5.30pm

Choral Eucharist

NEH 106, 119, 117

Tallis, *Iste confessor*

Lassus, Missa 'Vinum Bonum'

Psalm 30

Tallis, *Jesu salvator saeculi*Whitlock, *March: 'Dignity and impudence'*

 6 Tuesday

6.00pm

Sports Service

NEH 368

Psalm 107; 23-32

Responses, Tomkins

Brewer in D Magnificat

Stanford, *For lo, I raise up*

 8 Thursday

8.30pm

Organ Recital

Jeremy Wan (Truro Cathedral)

9.00pm

Sung Compline (plainsong)Tye, *Nunc dimittis*Lassus, *Regina caeli* (a 5)

11 Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter
CORPORATE COMMUNION

5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 103, 271, 113
Scheidemann, *Dic nobis Maria*
Haydn, *Missa Brevis Sancti Joannes de Deo*
Psalm 23
Severac, *Tantum ergo*
Bruhns, *'Little' Praeludium in E minor*

13 Tuesday

6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 486
Mendelssohn, *Andante tranquillo (Sonata No. 3 in A)*
Responses, Tomkins
Psalm 116
Walton Chichester Service
Robert Walker, *As the apple tree*
Mendelssohn, *Con moto maestoso (Sonata No. 3 in A)*

15 Thursday

8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Frederick Frostwick (Keble)

9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Reiner, *Nunc dimittis*
Aichinger, *Regina caeli*

16 Friday

6.00pm **College Weddings Service**

18 Sunday Fifth Sunday of Easter
5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 124, 296i, 307
Langlais, *Tiento (Suite Médiévale)*
Langlais, *Messe Solennelle*
Psalm 148; 1-6
Dupré, *Tantum ergo*
Langlais, *Hymne d'action de grâce 'Te Deum'*

21 Wednesday
6.00pm Choral Eucharist in Oriel College Chapel
Joint service with the Choir of Oriel College
Byrd, *Fantasia in C*
Lassus, *Missa 'Vinum Bonum'*
Byrd, *Quotiescunque Manducabitis*
Bach, *Vater unser in Himmelreich, BWV 682*

22 Thursday
8.30pm **Organ Recital**
Edward Gaut (Keble)
9.00pm **Sung Compline** (plainsong)
Esquivel, *Nunc dimittis*
Guerrero, *Regina caeli* (a 8)

8 Sunday Pentecost
 5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 137, 139, 431
 Bach, *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier* BWV 731
 Hassler, *Missa Octo Vocum*
 Psalm 104; 26-end
 Ešenvalds, *O Salutaris hostia*
 Guilmant, *March on a Theme of Handel*

10 Tuesday
 6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 484
 Bach, *Vater unser in Himmelreich*, BWV 682
 Responses, Ayleward
 Psalm 135
 Judith Weir, *St John's Service*
 Mathias, *As Truly as God is our Father*
 Preston, *Alleluyas*

12 Thursday
 8.30pm **Organ Recital**
 Matilda Johnston (All Saints, Margaret Street)

9.00pm **Sung Compline**
 Tallis, *Nunc dimittis*
 Victoria, *Salve regina* (à 5)

15 Sunday Trinity Sunday
 Final Sunday of the Academic Year
 5.30pm **Choral Eucharist** NEH 146, 360, 148, 466
 Bach, *Prelude in E flat major, BWV 552/i*
 Rheinberger, *Cantus Missae*
 Psalm 8
 Mel Bonis, *Ave verum*
 Bach, *Fugue in E flat major 'St Anne', BWV 552/ii*

17 Tuesday
 6.00pm **Choral Evensong** NEH 478
 Muffat, *Toccata duodecima et ultima*
 Responses, Leighton
 Psalm 9
 Leighton Second Service
 Harris, *Bring us O Lord God*
 Dupré, *Final (Sept Pièces, Op. 27, No. 7)*

19 Thursday Corpus Christi
 8.30pm **Organ Recital**
 Christian Wilson (Keble)
 9.00pm **Sung Compline and Benediction**
 Holst, *Nunc dimittis*
 Ešenvalds, *O Salutaris hostia*
 Dupré, *Tantum ergo*

20 Friday
 6.00pm **Leavers' Service**
 Widor, *Final (Organ Symphony No.6, Op.42 No.2)*

Choral services resume on 9 October

