KEBLE COLLEGE CHAPLAINCY 2025

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All are welcome to attend our services, whatever you do or don't believe.

They are a great opportunity to hear our wonderful choir, to take time out of a busy day, or to explore some of life's big questions.



Services with Keble Choir

Sundays 5.30pm College Eucharist

Our main service of the week with the Choir and a thought-provoking talk. Followed by pre-dinner drinks.

Tuesdays 6.00pm Choral Evensong

A 40 minute service of music and readings. A weekly musical highlight.

Thursdays 9.00pm Compline by Candlelight

Sacred music, stillness, and meditation. 30 minutes of calm at the heart of the week. Followed by port and hot chocolate.

Special Services

Sun 19 Jan Epiphany Carol Service by Candlelight

5.30pm Carols and Readings celebrating the visit of the wise men

Sun 26 Jan Holocaust Memorial Day Commemoration

5.30pm with the Council for Christians & Jews

and local Jewish Choir OxfordShir

Sat 8 Feb Mitre Club Evensong

5.30pm Followed by Mitre Club Dinner and Hat Competition

Fri 14 Feb Words & Music for Valentine's Day 6.00pm Song, Poetry & Reflections on Love

6.00pm with Imposition of Ashes, marking the start of Lent

Sun 9 Mar Lent Sequence

5.30pm Music, Poetry & Bible Readings for Lent and Passiontide

Tues 11 Mar International Womens' Day Evensong
6.00pm with special music, readings, and prayers

Sunday Preachers

19 Jan Fr Max Kramer, Chaplain - *Epiphany Carol Service*

26 Jan Dr Edward Kessler MBE - HMD Commemoration

Academic, Inter-faith Leader, Policy Advisor

2 Feb Professor Irene Tracey - Candlemas

Vice-Chancellor of the University of Oxford

9 Feb Fr Andrew Davison

Regius Professor of Divinity, University of Oxford

16 Feb Fr Fergus Butler Gallie - Assistant Chaplain

23 Feb Hollie Goodwin - Chapel Intern

2 Mar Mtr Esther Lay - Priest, Poet, Soprano

9 Mar Fr Max Kramer, Chaplain - Lent Sequence

Daily Prayers (Mon-Fri)

8.15am Morning Prayer/Mass on Weds (followed by breakfast)
 6.00pm Mon: Plainsong Mass; Tu: Evensong; Wed: Evening Prayer
 Thu 6.30pm Said Mass Fri 6.30pm Chapel Tour

Lectio Divina (Weds 5.15-6.00pm)

A prayerful way of digesting the text of the Bible, the ancient practice of Lectio Divina involves reading, meditating, and shared reflections.

Weekly Events

Mondays 1.00-1.50pm

Max's Lunch Informal Talk & Discussion Sandwich Lunch Provided

Doughnut Tuesdays 3.45-4.15pm

Doughnuts & Coffee Drop in for a break

Wednesdays 5.15-6.00pm

Lectio Divina

Light of the World Side Chapel

Craft Wednesdays 7.00-8.00pm

Crafts & Cake for grad students HBAC MCR

Thursdays 7.15-8.15pm

Pizza & Ponder Free pizza and discussions about life and faith questions.

Fridays 6.30-6.50pm

Chapel Tour (20 mins) An informal guided tour of Chapel ending at the Light of the World Social and discussion-based events for all members of the College community.

These events are held in the Chaplain's Office (Keble L10 2901, above the Porters' Lodge) unless indicated otherwise.

Max's Lunch (Mondays 1.00pm)

Max's Lunch is an informal opportunity to hear interesting people talking about interesting things and for discussion over a sandwich lunch provided by Fr Max. The talks are all accessible to people in any subject, they are an ideal opportunity to listen to ideas beyond our own disciplines. Finishes 1.50pm, it's ok to come late or leave early!

20 Jan The Light of the World on Tour (lan Archer, History)

27 Jan Sharia and Other Rules to Live By (Morgan Clarke, Anthropology)

3 Feb Quantum Philosophy: What does it mean to live in a

Quantum world? (George Webster, Philosophy)

10 Feb The Banality of Colonial Violence in Africa

(Heike Schmidt, History)

17 Feb Control Freaks: How Feedback Shapes our World

(Idris Kempf, Engineering)

24 Feb Household Medicine in Seventeenth-Century England:

Reading and Remedies (Sophie Aldred, Theology)

3 Mar The Lost World of the Forgotten Composers: Music and the

Politics of Culture (Emilie Capulet, Music)

Craft Wednesday (Wednesday 7-8pm)

A weekly craft drop-in for grad students in the HBAC MCR. Drop in to express your creativity and find calm through crafts and friendly chat, as well as making fab ornaments for your room. Craft stuff & cake provided!

Pizza & Ponder (Thursdays 7.15pm)

This term we explore Seven Ideas that Changed the World, from Athenian Democracy to Communism, from Christianity to Human Rights, and much more. We'll be thinking about the history of these world-changing ideas and discussing what they mean for life today. Lasts 1 hour. Free pizza!

Chapel Tours (Fridays 6.30pm)

A 20-minute guided tour of the Chapel exploring its history, architecture, and art. The tour ends with an optional five-minute meditation on Keble's greatest treasure: The Light of the World. An ideal opportunity to show off the Chapel to your guests before Formal Hall.

Keble Early Music Festival (25 Feb-1 Mar)

A feast of concerts, recitals, and events with leading musicians.

Full programme: www.keble.ox.ac.uk/events/kemf-2025/





Chaplain: Fr Max Kramer

Fr Max offers pastoral support to members of the College of all beliefs and backgrounds. His office is 2901 just above the Porters' Lodge and he is always happy for people to drop by for a chat, or to arrange a meeting email max.kramer@keble.ox.ac.uk



Chapel Intern: Hollie Goodwin

Hollie assists with all aspects of Chapel life, she is based at Keble and St Andrew's Headington for a year as she discerns a call to priestly ministry.

hollie.goodwin@keble.ox.ac.uk

Chapel & Events Clerks help Fr Max organise services and events:







Becky

Talav

Max

Cecilia (Robes)







Jamie

Jonathan (Tech)

Raya (Events Clerk)



Director of Music: Christian Wilson

Christian directs the Chapel choir and the annual Keble Early Music Festival. He also supports other musical activities in College. If you would like to audition for the Choir or be involved in music in any other way contact christian.wilson@keble.ox.ac.uk



Music Administrator: Pippa Thynne

Pippa provides administrative support for the Choir and College's musical life. This includes supporting concerts, recordings, tours, and services, the annual Keble Early Music Festival, and the Keble College Music Society. pippa.thynne@keble.ox.ac.uk

Organ Scholars: Edward Gaut & Frederick Frostwick Ordinand on Placement: Ben Almond

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