



CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

**SERVICES AND MUSIC
MARCH 2025**

THE CHORAL FOUNDATION OF CHRIST CHURCH:

THE CATHEDRAL CHOIR

When Henry VIII founded Christ Church in 1546 he made provision for the education of a number of boy choristers and a schoolmaster. From these historic roots has grown the current Christ Church Cathedral School, of about 150 pupils aged three to 13, housed in premises built by Dean Liddell (father of Lewis Carroll's 'Alice.') The cathedral choristers are dedicated to their daily music-making, & to the transformational experience that singing in one of the world's most famous choirs brings.

The Lay and Academical Clerks, as part of the choral foundation at Christ Church, sing with the boy choristers, and with Frideswide Voices, at services throughout the year. The Lay Clerks are professional singers, whilst the Academical Clerks are undergraduates reading for a degree at the University of Oxford. The Organist, Peter Holder, and Christ Church Cathedral School welcome enquiries at any time about being a chorister at Christ Church. Please contact the School Registrar on 01865 242561 or email registrar@cccs.org.uk : they will be pleased to arrange a tour of the School and Boarding House or an informal voice trial. www.cccs.org.uk www.chchchoir.org

FRIDESWIDE VOICES

Frideswide Voices was the first Anglican choir created specifically for girls of chorister age in Oxford, and was originally formed in October 2014. While they have always had significant links with Christ Church, they became part of the Foundation in September 2019. The girls are drawn from more than 25 different schools across the city and county. They sing Evensong in the Cathedral on most Wednesdays during term-time, as well as singing other services throughout the year.

The Director, Helen Smee, welcomes enquiries about choristerships at any time. Please email helen.smee@chch.ox.ac.uk for further information. chch.ox.ac.uk/frideswidevoices

Unless stated otherwise, all choral services will be sung by members of the Choral Foundation

OTHER CHOIRS AT CHRIST CHURCH:

THE CATHEDRAL SINGERS OF CHRIST CHURCH

The Cathedral Singers is the Cathedral's adult mixed-voice choir, singing when the other choirs are away or on holiday. Under its own professional director and organist, the choir operates a squad system in order to provide choral music for up to 100 services a year. We welcome new singers, who should be confident readers of music. For more information, please email hilary.punnett@chch.ox.ac.uk.

www.cathedralsingers.org.uk

THE COLLEGE CHOIR OF CHRIST CHURCH

The College Choir is composed of Junior Members of Christ Church and colleagues from across the University. As such, it is the only student-run choir at Oxford to sing in Christ Church Cathedral regularly. In addition to regular services of choral Evensong, Compline, and Eucharist in the Cathedral, the College Choir also sings in local churches and the Oxfordshire community.

The ensemble prides itself on maintaining a high standard of singing in a relaxed, non-auditioned, and friendly atmosphere. If you are an Oxford University student interested in singing with us, please feel free to be in touch at chchcollegechoir@gmail.com.

www.chch.ox.ac.uk/choirs/college-choir

VISITING CHOIRS

When our own choirs are not in residence, it is a delight to welcome visitors from around the country and beyond. This may be school or university choirs, amateur or professional groups, and they may be with us for a single service, a few days or a whole week. If your choir would like to organise a residency at Christ Church, please get in touch with us at visitingchoirs@chch.ox.ac.uk

**24 FEBRUARY –
2 MARCH**

CANON IN RESIDENCE
THE REVD DR ZACHARY GUILIANO,
Priest Vicar

MONDAY 24 FEBRUARY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the College Choir

Psalm 119: 1–16

Radcliffe Responses

Mathias Jesus College Service

Howells *O pray for the peace of
Jerusalem*

TUESDAY 25 FEBRUARY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 119: 73–88

Byrd Responses

Purcell *in G minor*

Gibbons *Sing unto the Lord*

**7:35pm Roman Catholic
Mass**

**WEDNESDAY 26
FEBRUARY**

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 119: 145–160

Smith Responses

Dyson *in F*

Handel *All we like sheep*

8:35pm College Taizé

**THURSDAY 27
FEBRUARY**

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 126, 127, 128

Byrd Responses

Noble *in B minor*

Weir *Love bade me welcome*

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 137, 138

Byrd Responses

Weelkes *Short Service*

Farrant *Call to remembrance*

SATURDAY 1 MARCH

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

11:05am Turning of the Pages

12:35pm Said Eucharist

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the Cathedral Singers

Hymn 628

Psalm 7

Rose Responses

Whitlock *in D*

Stanford *Justorum animae*

8:00pm Frideswide Voices 10th Anniversary Concert

SUNDAY 2 MARCH

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

9:05am College Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano
Priest Vicar

Hymns 474, 309, 455

Psalm 99

Taverner *Western Wynde Mass*

Tallis *O salutaris hostia*

Turner *Allegro (Sonata in D)*

The Sunday Next Before Lent

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 558

Psalm 89: 1-18

Byrd Responses

Wood *Collegium Regale*

Wood *Hail, gladdening light*

Errolyn Wallen *Movements II and III (from Triptych)*

3–9 MARCH

MONDAY 3 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

CANON IN RESIDENCE **THE VEN JONATHAN CHAFFEY** *Archdeacon of Oxford*

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Sung by the College Choir

Psalm 18: 1–15

Radcliffe Responses

Forbes L'Estrange *King's College*
Service

Brahms *Geistliches Leid*

TUESDAY 4 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 22: 1–12

Smith Responses

Farrington *Blues Service*

Wesley *Thou wilt keep him in*
perfect peace

WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH

ASH WEDNESDAY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

Hourly Imposition of Ashes

on the hour 10:00 – 16:00

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Reflective Eucharist

Hymns 96, 565, 97

Psalm 51: 1–18

Palestrina *Missa brevis*

Byrd *Emendemus in melius*

8:35pm College Compline

THURSDAY 6 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 32

Smith Responses

Byrd *Second Service*

Gibbons *O Lord, in thy wrath*
rebuke me not

FRIDAY 7 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 37: 1–22
Smith Responses
Tomkins Second Service
Weir Like as the hart

SATURDAY 8 MARCH

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong *with the Installation of the Bishops of Buckingham and Reading as members of the College of Canons*

Hymns 'With Saints of all the
Ages', 538
Psalms 42, 43
Smith Responses
Stanford in C
Panufnik O hearken thou
Emma-Lou Diemer Fiesta

SUNDAY 9 MARCH

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

9:05am College Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Ven Jonathan Chaffey
Archdeacon of Oxford

Hymns 533, 101, 95
Psalm 91: 1–2, 9–end

Byrd Mass for five voices
Byrd Emendemus in melius
Mozart Fantasia in F minor
(KV 608)

The First Sunday of Lent

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 496
Psalm 119: 73–88
Smith Responses
Frances-Hoad Evening Service
Walton A Litany
Bach Fugue in B minor
(BWV 544ii)

10–16 MARCH

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD CANON PETER MOGER *Sub Dean*

MONDAY 10 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*Sung by Wellington College
Chapel Choir*

Psalms 53, 54
Rose Responses
Byrd *Fauxbourdons*
Rheinberger *Abendlied*

TUESDAY 11 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 60, 61
Tomkins Responses
Batten *Fourth Service*
Morley *Nolo mortem peccatoris*

WEDNESDAY 12 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 67
Rose Responses
Dove *St John's Service*
Stanford *The Lord is my shepherd*

8:05pm Compline

THURSDAY 13 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 69: 1–14
Tallis Responses
Mundy *Magnificat secundi toni*
plainsong *Nunc dimittis*
de Monte Super flumina
Babylonis

FRIDAY 14 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 74: 1–12
Tomkins Responses
Hooper Short Service
Holst *A Hymne to Christ*

SATURDAY 15 MARCH

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 411
Psalm 78: 1–17
arr. Dawes Steal away
Ayelward Responses
Stopford Belfast Service
Greene Lord, let me know mine end

SUNDAY 16 MARCH

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

The Revd Canon Peter Moger
Sub Dean

Hymns 582, 308, 106
Psalm 27

Leighton Missa brevis
Edwards O dearest Lord
Mendelssohn Prelude in D minor

The Second Sunday of Lent

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 532
Psalm 135
Gull Responses
Stanford in G
Stanford Eternal Father
Franck Choral no. 3

17–23 MARCH

CANON IN RESIDENCE CANON PROFESSOR CAROL HARRISON *Lady Margaret Professor of Divinity*

MONDAY 17 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Said Evening Prayer

Said at the West End

Psalm 89: 1–19

TUESDAY 18 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 93, 94

M Martin Responses

Sumsion *in G*

Mawby *Justus ut palma*

WEDNESDAY 19 MARCH

JOSEPH OF NAZARETH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Hymn 225

Psalms 1, 112

Tomkins Responses

Weelkes *Sixth Service*

Palestrina *Justus ut palma*

8:05pm Compline

THURSDAY 20 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 104: 1–23

M Martin Responses

Watson *in E*

Harris *Bring us, O Lord God*

FRIDAY 21 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 106: 1–12
M Martin Responses
Byrd *Third Service*
Byrd *Prevent us, O Lord*

SATURDAY 22 MARCH

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 598
Psalm 108
M Martin Responses
Dyson *in F*
Wesley *Wash me throughly*

SUNDAY 23 MARCH

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist

Preacher

Canon Professor Carol Harrison
*Lady Margaret Professor of
Divinity*

Hymns 385, 557, 423
Psalm 63: 1–9

F Martin *Mass for double choir*
Byrd *Miserere mei, Deus*
Bach *Kyrie, Gott heiliger Geist*
(BWV 671)

The Third Sunday of Lent

**12:35pm Interment of
Ashes**

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Hymn 375
Psalms 12, 13
M Martin Responses
D Purcell *in E minor*
Blow *Salvator mundi*
Buxtehude *Passacaglia in D*
(*BuxWV 161*)

24–30 MARCH

CANON IN RESIDENCE THE REVD DR ZACHARY GUILIANO *Priest Vicar*

MONDAY 24 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by Solihull School
Chamber Choir*

Psalm 119: 1–8
Smith Responses
Murrill *in E*
Lloyd *View me, Lord*

TUESDAY 25 MARCH THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Solemn Evensong

Hymn 241
Psalms 131, 146
Byrd Responses
Palestrina *Magnificat primi toni á 8*
plain-song *Nunc dimittis*
Taverner *Mater Christi*
sanctissima

WEDNESDAY 26 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalm 119: 145–160
Gull Responses
Gipps *Evening Service*
Bennett *A good-night*

8:05pm Compline

THURSDAY 27 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 126, 127, 128
Byrd Responses
Wood *in E flat*
Howells *Like as the hart*

FRIDAY 28 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

Psalms 137, 138

Byrd Responses

Victoria *Magnificat primi toni*
plainsong *Nunc dimittis*

John IV of Portugal *Crux fidelis*

SATURDAY 29 MARCH

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church and
Frideswide Voices*

Hymn 604

Psalms 142, 143

Rose Responses

Howells *Gloucester Service*

Parry *There is an old belief*

SUNDAY 30 MARCH

The Fourth Sunday of Lent (Mothering Sunday)

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Preacher

The Revd Dr Zachary Guiliano
Priest Vicar

Hymns 118, 483, 516

Psalm 32

Byrd *Mass for four voices*

S Martin Ave verum corpus

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 376

Psalm 30

Byrd Responses

Gibbons *Second service*

Tallis *In ieiunio et fletu*

**31 MARCH –
6 APRIL**

CANON IN RESIDENCE
THE REVD CANON PROFESSOR LUKE BRETHERTON
Regius Professor of Moral & Pastoral Theology

MONDAY 31 MARCH

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Latin Chapel

**6:05pm Said Evening
Prayer**

Said at the West End

Psalm 150

TUESDAY 1 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Psalm 6

Byrd Responses

D Purcell *in E minor*

Lloyd *View me, Lord*

WEDNESDAY 2 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Bell Chapel

1:05pm BCP Communion

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Psalms 12, 13, 14

Byrd Responses

Forbes L'Estrange *King's College
Service*

Faure *Cantique de Jean Racine*

8:05pm Compline

THURSDAY 3 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Chapel of Remembrance

6:05pm Choral Evensong

*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Psalm 18: 1–28

Byrd Responses

Moore *Third Service*

Aleotti *Miserere mei*

FRIDAY 4 APRIL

7:15am Morning Prayer

7:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lucy Chapel

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Psalm 22

Byrd Responses

Blow in F

Sweelinck *Beati pauperes (prima
pars)*

SATURDAY 5 APRIL

8:15am Morning Prayer

8:35am Said Eucharist
in the Lady Chapel

1:05pm Said Eucharist

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 127

Psalm 28

Byrd Responses

Byrd Second Service

Palestrina *Super flumina
Babylonis*

SUNDAY 6 APRIL

7:35am Said Matins (BCP)

8:05am BCP Communion

11:05am Choral Eucharist
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Preacher

**The Revd Canon Professor
Luke Bretherton**

*Regius Professor of Moral and
Pastoral Theology*

Hymns 119, 277, 125

Psalm 126

Ives Missa Aedis Christi

Anerio Christus factus est

The Fifth Sunday of Lent (Passion Sunday)

6:05pm Choral Evensong
*Sung by the Cathedral Singers
of Christ Church*

Hymn 101

Psalm 35

B Parry Responses

Blair in B minor

Leighton Solus ad victimam

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE CATHEDRAL

8:00pm Saturday 1 March - Frideswide Voices 10th Anniversary Concert

Our Frideswide Voices will perform a gala concert for their tenth anniversary in the Cathedral on Saturday the 1st March at 8pm. They will be singing works including Rutter's Gloria, joined by the Clerks of the Cathedral Choir, the Frideswide Consort and alumnae from the last decade.

6:05pm Saturday 8 March - Choral Evensong with the Installation of the Bishops of Buckingham and Reading as Members of the College of Canons

We are delighted to welcome the new Bishops of Buckingham and Reading, Dave Bull and Mary Gregory, to our cathedral. Dave is no stranger to the diocese, having served in Buckinghamshire since 2012, or to this cathedral; he was made an honorary canon in 2021. Mary joins us from Coventry, where she was a Canon of the Cathedral, her work focussing on arts and reconciliation. As suffragan bishops in the diocese, both Dave and Mary become part of the Christ Church family too; we look forward to welcoming them on Saturday 8 March and installing them to the College of Canons, and to working together in the coming years.

Wednesdays at 9:05pm - Compline in Lent

Compline is the final service of the day, originating in monastic bedtime prayers. It is a quiet and reflective service, focusing on God's protection and love and our trust in God. During Lent, Compline will be sung on Wednesdays at 8pm - usually by the Frideswide Consort. All are welcome to come to finish the day together in candlelight, with beautiful music and space for contemplation.

Embroidery Retreats: Stitching the Cross

Suellen Pedley and the cathedral clergy are preparing another set of embroidery retreats focusing on the development of Christian symbolism and the cross. Please contact the Priest Vicar if you are interested in participating (zachary.guiliano@chch.ox.ac.uk).

Retreats will take place 19 and 26 March, and 2 and 9 April, lasting from 10am to 4pm. Cost: £30 plus the cost of a slate frame (if required): includes materials, instruction, refreshments, and lunch in Christ Church Great Hall.

NEWS

Saturday 15 March - The Shepherd and the Thief

9.30am–4pm, The Research Centre, Christ Church, Oxford.

In John 10, the gospel writer tells us that in the Christian life we will encounter the shepherd and the thief. Jesus as good shepherd invites us to draw closer to God's loving embrace. The thief seeks to distract, discourage and disillusion us, so we feel cut off or distant from God. This workshop explores practical Ignatian principles to notice these movements in our hearts, helping us take action to overcome spiritual and psychological obstacles and draw closer to God. It is led by Mark Brickman, Associate Minister of St Aldates, and Jen Brickman, clinical psychologist.

Tickets £5, tea and coffee provided. Please bring a packed lunch.

To book your place, please contact:

cathedral@chch.ox.ac.uk

Saturday 5 April - Lent Quiet Day: 'Unspeakable Love'

The Precentor and Priest Vicar are leading a Quiet Day on the Stations of the Cross on 5 April 2025 at the Community of St Mary the Virgin in Wantage, organised with the Friends of Christ Church Cathedral. The day will include reflections on the Stations of the Cross made by Mother Maribel, CSMV, as well as time praying with the Stations in the Chapel of St Mary Magdalene. Please contact Debbie Webb for more information and a booking form:

debbieleek21@gmail.com

Vacancy: Head and Senior Verger

Whether it's facilitating worship, managing events, or welcoming the public during our tourist opening hours, our Cathedral Vergers are at the heart of the Cathedral's operations. We are looking for two new people to bring their energy and experience to our team on a full time basis, as Senior Verger and in the new role of Head Verger. For further information, visit <https://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/vacancies>.



For more news and information about upcoming events, you can sign up to our regular newsletter by scanning the QR code, or using the link below

[chch.ox.ac.uk/cathedral/about/subscribe-cathedral-email-newsletter](https://www.chch.ox.ac.uk/cathedral/about/subscribe-cathedral-email-newsletter)

VOLUNTEERING

The Cathedral wouldn't be able to function without its 400 or so volunteers. We are always looking for people to join many of our teams, including Guides, Stewards, Servers, Schools and Children, Refreshments, etc. If you'd like to join a friendly community, share your skills, or learn something new, please get in touch with:

miranda.hockliffe@chch.ox.ac.uk

HEARING LOOP



The Cathedral has a hearing loop. The system is most effective in the centre and away from the pillars.

SAFEGUARDING

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns about the safety of a child or vulnerable adult in or around Christ Church Cathedral, please let us know immediately. Please speak to any member of the clergy or vergers team on duty, or contact a member of the safeguarding team:

Lisa Wilkins (Cathedral Safeguarding Officer)

lisa.wilkins@chch.ox.ac.uk / 07746 046009

Zack Guiliano (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer)

zachary.guiliano@chch.ox.ac.uk

Matthew Dickins (Associate Cathedral Safeguarding Officer)

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If you believe that a child or adult is in immediate danger of significant or serious harm, you should contact the police on 999.

EVACUATION PROCEDURE

In the unlikely event of an emergency, please follow the instructions of the Vergers, and calmly make your way out through the West (Main) door – or alternative exit if necessary – and move away from the building.