

TRINITY TERM 2025

CHAPEL SERVICES AND MUSIC



MAGDALEN COLLEGE OXFORD

We welcome you to our worshipping community at Magdalen. Prayer and praise have been offered to God in this place since the fifteenth century, when the College was founded by William of Waynflete, Bishop of Winchester. The statutes of 1480 make provision for a Choir comprising sixteen boy Choristers and a number of adult Clerks, ‘that the worship of God, from whom all good things come, might be increased more widely and better sustained’. That tradition continues unchanged today. The Choirmaster at Magdalen retains the ancient Latin title *Informator Choristarum*, and among those who have held the post over the centuries are John Sheppard, Daniel Purcell, Sir John Stainer, Sir William McKie, and, in more recent years, Dr Bernard Rose. Former choristers include the composer Ivor Novello; the late comedian and actor, Dudley Moore, was Organ Scholar here, and a number of former Academical Clerks hold prominent positions in the musical, legal and media worlds.

We strive to dedicate all our services here to the glory of God. Our music is not an end in itself but part of a larger whole. In selecting music, we seek not only to inspire and to console, but also to challenge. There are many considerations, some of them practical – the volume of music to be learnt by the Choir in any one week, allowances for the periods of term in which illness inevitably strikes – and some seasonal – as we mark the feasts of the Church’s year through appropriate liturgical music; some draw on the readings for the day, and others offer theological reflections – a setting of the Magnificat in which Mary’s response to Gabriel’s call is demure and melodically charming presents a very different view of the Annunciation to a setting in which Mary responds more viscerally, sometimes indicated by more dissonant music, to such a radical and earth-shattering moment (both should be heard). At the same time, we hope that the music sung in this Chapel represents not only something of the extraordinary heritage of which we are the current proud custodians through pieces written by former Clerks, Choristers, Informatores and Organ Scholars (indicated by the symbol <sup>M</sup> next to the name of a composer), but also the richness and diversity of sacred music from across the Christian world in that period, and particularly in the last half-century, when more music by women composers and lesser-known works from the fifteenth and sixteenth centuries have entered the repertoire. Living composers are indicated by the presence of their first name in addition to their surname.

We hope that you will return to this place regularly, but, even if you happen upon just one day in the life of a Chapel and Choir that has sung daily services for over five centuries, we hope that, in the singing and in the silence, in the spoken word and in the beauty of this house of God, you will feel that greater presence, and be blessed by the peace that passes all understanding.

MARK WILLIAMS  
*Informator Choristarum*

ANDREW BOWYER  
*Dean of Divinity*

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## Choral Services

Services are normally sung by the College Choir made up of boy Choristers, educated at Magdalen College School, and male and female Academical Clerks, who are ordinarily students at the College. Evensong on Saturdays is normally sung by the

Consort of Voices, in which sopranos join the Academical Clerks. Tuesdays are usually sung by the Choristers alone, and Fridays by the Academical Clerks alone. Compline on Tuesdays is usually sung by two cantors drawn from the Academical Clerks and Consort of Voices. Details are given in the Music List when services depart from this pattern, such as during the school half-term holiday (24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> May). At Festal Evensongs marking saints' days and major feasts of the Church's year, a seasonal antiphon is sung. On Sundays, at the Eucharist, there is a short homily of approximately five minutes, and at Evensong (in some weeks) a sermon of approximately ten minutes. On Sundays, the Eucharist is followed by a simple lunch in the College Hall, and Evensong by drinks in the Antechapel. Compline is followed by drinks in the Old Practice Room.

## Organ Music

Organ music plays an integral part in our liturgy. The Assistant Organist, Drew Sellis, and Organ Scholars, Edward Byrne and Henry Morris, play for the majority of the services in Chapel, assisted occasionally by the Informator Choristarum & Organist, Mark Williams, who ordinarily directs the Choir. Details of the organ, by Hermann Eule Orgelbau, can be found on the College website, and details of recitals are given on the following pages.

## Retiring Collections

Our retiring collections will go to support the work of the Chapel's chosen charity for the term, **Asylum Welcome**, a local charity offering information, advice and practical support to asylum seekers, refugees, and vulnerable migrants living in Oxford. [www.asylum-welcome.org](http://www.asylum-welcome.org).

## Membership of the Choir

The Informator Choristarum, Mark Williams, is always pleased to hear from prospective applicants for Choristerships, Academical Clerkships and Organ Scholarships. To arrange an informal meeting, please contact [choir@magd.ox.ac.uk](mailto:choir@magd.ox.ac.uk).

# APRIL TO JULY 2025

## Visiting Choirs

We are delighted to welcome a number of choirs to sing with us this term. On Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May, the Consort of Voices are joined by the Youth Choir of Christ Church Cathedral, Oxford, which provides singing opportunities for former choristers of the Cathedral Choir and Frideswide Voices, alongside 'Ex Collegio', an elite ensemble of Magdalen College School pupils, many of whom are former choristers. On Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, we welcome Hackney Choral, which brings together two choirs run by St Paul's Cathedral Musical Outreach Department – Hackney Senior Choir and Hackney Children's Choir – drawing children from a range of primary and secondary schools in east London. On Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> June, the Choristers and Clerks respectively are joined by the Choristers of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, during their UK tour. Our own choir will perform in Grace Cathedral, San Francisco, in April 2026, as part of this exchange.

## Supporting the Choir and Chapel

The Chapel and Choir are grateful for the generous support of the College for their core activities, but look to benefactors to support additional activities, including recordings, concerts and tours. If you are interested in joining the Friends of Magdalen College Choir or wish to discuss ways of supporting music at the College, please contact the Informator Choristarum, through the Choir Administrator at [choir@magd.ox.ac.uk](mailto:choir@magd.ox.ac.uk), or collect a leaflet from the Chapel.

## Guest Organ Recitals

Performed by leading professional organists from the UK and elsewhere, these take place on Monday evenings, lasting approximately one hour, and are followed by drinks in the Antechapel. Tickets £10 (£5 students), will be available on the door or in advance from Eventbrite (see the College and Choir websites and social media pages for information).

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May 5.30 pm  
MATTHEW MARTIN  
*Gonville & Caius College,  
Cambridge*

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 5.30 pm  
LUDGER LOHMANN  
*International concert  
organist*

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June 5.30 pm  
RICHARD PINEL  
*Royal Academy of Music*

## Saturday Lunchtime Recitals

Admission is free to this series of recitals on Saturdays at noon, featuring organists from Magdalen College, from other colleges in Oxford, and from further afield.

Recitals last 30-40 minutes.

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 12.00 pm  
EDWARD BYRNE  
*Magdalen College, Oxford*

Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> May 12.00 pm  
DREW SELLIS  
*Magdalen College, Oxford*

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 12.00 pm  
STEPHEN POWER  
*Formerly of Brecon Cathedral*

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 p m  
HENRY MORRIS  
*Magdalen College, Oxford*

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> May 12.00 pm  
HELEN BIRCH  
*University College, Oxford*

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June 12.00 pm  
JACOB COSTARD  
*Salisbury Cathedral*

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 12.00 pm  
FREDERICK FROSTWICK  
*Keble College, Oxford*

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 12.00 pm  
MARCUS MCDEVITT  
*New College, Oxford*

[www.magdalencollegechoir.com](http://www.magdalencollegechoir.com)

[www.magd.ox.ac.uk/chapel-and-choir](http://www.magd.ox.ac.uk/chapel-and-choir)

### COVER PICTURE:

DETAIL FROM THE ORGAN SCREEN, MAGDALEN COLLEGE CHAPEL  
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## BEFORE THE START OF TERM

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### APRIL

#### 26 SATURDAY

**6.00 pm** **Choral Evensong** *with participants in the Organ & Choral Open Day*  
INTROIT *Roem* Sing, my soul, his wondrous love PSALM 119: 145-176  
RESPONSES *Stewart*<sup>M</sup> HYMN 457  
READINGS Exodus 14: 15-end; 1 Corinthians 15: 51-end  
CANTICLES *Howells* in G  
ANTHEM *Finzi* Welcome, Sweet and Sacred Feast  
FINAL RESPONSES *Rose*<sup>M</sup>  
VOLUNTARY *Duruflé* Prélude *from* Suite pour orgue Op. 5

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The great gift of Easter is hope.  
*Cardinal Basil Hume*

## APRIL & MAY 2025

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### 27 SUNDAY

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EASTER (LOW SUNDAY)

#### 11.00 am **Sung Eucharist**

MASS *Rheinberger* Cantus missae HYMNS 117, 272, 107  
READINGS Acts 5: 27-32; John 20: 19-end  
ALLELUIA *Plainsong* In die resurrectionis  
PREACHER The Reverend Dr Andrew Bowyer, *Dean of Divinity*  
MOTET *Peter Nardone* I give to you a new commandment  
VOLUNTARY *Widor* Moderato *from Symphonie Romane* Op. 73

#### 6.00 pm **Choral Evensong and Sermon before the University**

*with Founder's Prayers*  
RESPONSES *Smith* HYMNS 124, 103  
READINGS Isaiah 53: 1-6, 9-12; Luke 24: 13-35 PSALM 16  
CANTICLES *Greene* in C  
ANTHEM *Taverner* Dum transisset sabbatum  
PREACHER The Right Reverend Dr Rosemarie Mallett, *Bishop of Croydon*  
FINAL RESPONSES *Marlow*  
VOLUNTARY *J.S. Bach* Prelude in C major BWV 547

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### 28 MONDAY

GEORGE, 304 (TRANSFERRED)

8.30 am Morning Prayer

6.00 pm Roman Catholic Mass

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### 29 TUESDAY

MARK THE EVANGELIST (TRANSFERRED)

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm **Festal Choral Evensong** *before the Simon Perrot Oration*

INTROIT *Bairstow* Let all mortal flesh keep silence PSALM 45  
RESPONSES *Sasha Johnson Manning* HYMN 163 (TN 244)  
READINGS Acts 15: 35-end; Mark 13: 5-13  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* In omnem terram  
CANTICLES *Watson* in E  
ANTHEM *Mascagni* Easter Hymn  
FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*  
VOLUNTARY *Mendelssohn* Andante – Andante con moto  
*from Sonata No. 5* Op. 65

#### 9.00 pm **Compline & Benediction** (Consort of Voices)

HYMN *Plainsong* Claro pascali gaudio PSALM 4  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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Dawn and light are synonymous. The reappearance of the light is  
the same as the survival of the soul.

*Victor Hugo*

## FIRST WEEK

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### 30 WEDNESDAY

PANDITA MARY RAMABAI, 1922

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Tallis*

PSALM 148

READINGS Hosea 5: 15-6: 6; 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

CANTICLE *Plainsong* The Lamb's high banquet we await

MAGNIFICAT *Dufay* Quinti toni

ANTHEM *Sheppard*<sup>M</sup> Christ rising again

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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## MAY

### 1 THURSDAY

PHILIP & JAMES, APOSTLES

#### 6.00 am Singing from the Great Tower

*Rogers*<sup>M</sup> Hymnus Eucharisticus *Morley* Now is the month of Maying

*Pearsall* Lay a garland *Trad. arr Grayston Ives*<sup>M</sup> Sumer is icumen in

#### 9.15 am Sung Eucharist

MASS *Byrd* Mass for four voices

HYMNS 473 (OMIT \*), 265

READINGS Isaiah 30: 15-21; John 14: 1-14

PREACHER The Reverend Dr Andrew Bowyer, *Dean of Divinity*

MOTET *Charlotte Bray* Winter is past

VOLUNTARY *Ghislaine Reece-Trapp* Fantasia on 'Sumer is icumen in'

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### 2 FRIDAY

ATHANASIUS, 373

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Choristers)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALMS 12, 13

READINGS Genesis 6: 9-end; 1 Peter 3: 8-end

CANTICLE *Trad. French* Now the green blade riseth

MAGNIFICAT *Byrd* Fauxbourdons

ANTHEM *Handel* I know that my redeemer liveth

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 3 SATURDAY

CHRISTINA ROSSETTI, 1894

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Consort of Voices)

INTROIT *Handl* Vespere autem sabbati

PSALMS 15, 16

RESPONSES *Cecilia McDowall*

HYMN 113

READINGS 1 Samuel 2: 1-8; Matthew 28: 8-15

CANTICLES *A. Gabrieli* Magnificat à 12 *Josquin* Nunc dimittis

ANTHEM *Guerrero* Maria Magdalena et altera Maria

FINAL RESPONSES *Cecilia McDowall*

VOLUNTARY *Van Noordt* Psalm 24

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## 4 SUNDAY

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

### 11.00 am Sung Eucharist

MASS *Howells* Collegium regale

HYMNS 104, 271, 112

READINGS Acts 9: 1-6, 7-20; John 21: 1-19

ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Cognoverunt discipuli

PREACHER The Reverend Dr Laura Biron-Scott, *Honorary Chaplain*

MOTET *Mawby* Ave verum corpus

VOLUNTARY *Howells* Paean

### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong with Founder's Prayers

INTROIT *Nico Muhly* A Great Stone

HYMNS 120, 401

RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

PSALM 86

READINGS Isaiah 38: 9-20; John 11: 17-44

CANTICLES *Judith Bingham* Oriel Service

ANTHEM *Sheppard*<sup>M</sup> Jesu salvator saeculi

FINAL RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

VOLUNTARY *Vierne* Prélude from Symphony No. 1 Op. 14

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## 5 MONDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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## 6 TUESDAY

JOHN THE EVANGELIST ANTE PORTAM LATINAM

8.30 am Morning Prayer

### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Choristers)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 32

READINGS Leviticus 19: 9-18, 32-end; Matthew 5: 38-end

CANTICLE *Plainsong* The day draws on with golden light

MAGNIFICAT *Stuart Beer*<sup>M</sup> First Service

ANTHEM *Purcell* Evening Hymn

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

### 9.00 pm Compline (Cantors)

HYMN *Plainsong* Jesu salvator saeculi

PSALM 31: 1-6

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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God, of thy goodness, give me Thyself;  
for Thou art enough for me,  
and I can ask for nothing less  
that can be full honor to Thee.  
And if I ask anything that is less,  
ever Shall I be in want,  
for only in Thee have I all.

*Julian of Norwich*



## SECOND WEEK

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### 7 WEDNESDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Smith*

PSALM 37: 1-21

READINGS Genesis 3: 8-21; 1 Corinthians 15: 12-28

CANTICLES *Byrd* Second Service

ANTHEM *Gibbons* Sing unto the Lord

FINAL RESPONSES *Marlow*

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### 8 THURSDAY

JULIAN OF NORWICH, C. 1417

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 41

READINGS Isaiah 33: 13-22; Mark 6: 47-end

CANTICLE *Plainsong* Dawning was the first of days

MAGNIFICAT *Vivanco* Primi toni

ANTHEM *Anna Semple* Ad te, Domine

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 9 FRIDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong *before the Waynflete Dinner*

INTROIT *Sheppard*<sup>M</sup> Haec dies

PSALM 49

RESPONSES *Stewart*<sup>M</sup>

HYMN 408

READINGS 1 Kings 3: 6-14; Matthew 5: 1-12

CANTICLES *Howells* Collegium Magdalenae Oxoniense

ANTHEM *Joanna Marsh* Evening Prayer

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose*<sup>M</sup>

VOLUNTARY *Walton, arr. Murrill* Crown Imperial

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### 10 SATURDAY

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Consort of Voices with Christ Church Cathedral Youth Choir and MCS 'Ex Collegio')

INTROIT *Bruckner* Locus iste

PSALMS 53, 54

RESPONSES *Radcliffe*

HYMN 333

READINGS Isaiah 61: 10-62: 5; Luke 24: 1-12

CANTICLES *Ireland* in F

ANTHEM *S.S. Wesley* Ascribe unto the Lord

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *Mendelssohn* Allegro from Sonata No. 4 Op. 65

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## 11 SUNDAY

THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

### 11.00 am **Sung Eucharist**

MASS *Nico Muhly* Missa brevis HYMNS 363, 389, 119 (TN. 107)  
READINGS Acts 9: 36-end; John 10: 22-30  
ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Redemptionem  
PREACHER Mr Oliver Wright, *Assistant Chaplain*  
MOTET *Monteverdi* Christe, adoramus te  
VOLUNTARY *Dupré* Choral et Fugue Op. 57

### 6.00 pm **Choral Evensong** with Sermon

RESPONSES *Stewart*<sup>M</sup> HYMNS 105, 375  
READINGS Isaiah 63: 7-14; Luke 24: 36-49 PSALMS 113, 114  
CANTICLES *Bevan* Magnificat quarti toni  
*Beach* Nunc dimittis  
ANTHEM *Whitbourn*<sup>M</sup> Set me as a seal  
PREACHER The Reverend Andy Shamel, *Chaplain, Magdalen College School*  
FINAL RESPONSES *Rose*<sup>M</sup>  
VOLUNTARY *Langlais* Hymne d'Action de Grâce 'Te Deum'

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## 12 MONDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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## 13 TUESDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

### 6.00 pm **Choral Evening Prayer** (Choristers)

RESPONSES *Malcolm Archer* PSALM 68: 1-20  
READINGS Proverbs 3: 13-23; Matthew 6: 25-34  
CANTICLE *Plainsong* O Christ, the heavens' eternal King  
MAGNIFICAT *Rose*<sup>M</sup> in E  
ANTHEM *Parry* Long since in Egypt's plenteous land  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

### 9.00 pm **Compline** (Cantors)

HYMN *Plainsong* Sermone blande angelus PSALM 122  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina Caeli

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By reading the scriptures, I am so renewed that all nature seems renewed around me and with me. The sky seems to be a pure, a cooler blue, the trees a deeper green. The whole world is charged with the glory of God and I feel fire and music under my feet.

*Thomas Merton*

## THIRD WEEK

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### 14 WEDNESDAY

MATTHIAS THE APOSTLE

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Festal Choral Evensong

INTROIT *Bullock* Give us the wings of faith

PSALM 80

RESPONSES *Sasha Johnson Manning*

HYMN 165 (TN 318)

READINGS 1 Samuel 16: 1-13a; Acts 1: 15-end

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Qui vult venire post me

CANTICLES *Walton* Chichester Service

ANTHEM *Nico Muhly* What shall be after him?

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *Christopher Churcher* This Shining Night

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### 15 THURSDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Leighton*

PSALM 78: 1-17

READINGS Proverbs 28: 3-end; Mark 10: 17-31

CANTICLES *Whitlock* Fauxbourdons

ANTHEM *Robert Walker* As the apple tree

FINAL RESPONSES *Matthew Martin<sup>M</sup>*

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### 16 FRIDAY

CAROLINE CHISHOLM, 1877

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 84

READINGS Ecclesiastes 12: 1-8; Romans 6: 1-11

CANTICLE *Plainsong* O Father, who didst all things make

MAGNIFICAT *Hidalgo* Quarti toni

ANTHEM *Palestrina* Regina caeli

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 17 SATURDAY

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Consort of Voices)

RESPONSES *Humphrey Clucas*

PSALM 89: 1-19

READINGS 1 Chronicles 29: 10-13; Luke 24: 13-35

HYMN 383

CANTICLES *Byrd* Great Service

ANTHEM *Arvo Pärt* The Woman with the Alabaster Box

FINAL RESPONSES *Humphrey Clucas*

VOLUNTARY *J.S. Bach* Fugue in G minor BWV 578

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**18 SUNDAY**

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

**11.00 am Sung Eucharist**

MASS *Mozart* Missa brevis in D HYMNS 237, 360, 457  
READINGS Acts 11: 1-18; John 13: 31-35  
ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Dexter a Dei  
PREACHER The Reverend Professor Jane Shaw, *Honorary Chaplain*  
MOTET *Mozart* Ave verum corpus  
VOLUNTARY *Mozart* Andante in F K 616

**6.00 pm Choral Evensong**

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INTROIT *Sasha Johnson Manning* Lighten our darkness \* HYMNS 424, 453  
RESPONSES *Leighton* PSALM 98  
READINGS Daniel 6: 1-23; Mark 15: 46-16: 8  
CANTICLES *Howells* in G  
ANTHEM *Ghislaine Reece-Trapp* God's people for God's world  
FINAL RESPONSES *Matthew Martin*<sup>M</sup>  
VOLUNTARY *Vierne* Allegro from Symphony No. 2 Op. 20

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**19 MONDAY**

DUNSTAN, 988

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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**20 TUESDAY**

ALCUIN OF YORK, 804

8.30 am Morning Prayer

**6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Choristers)**

RESPONSES *Malcolm Archer* PSALM 103  
READINGS Deuteronomy 8: 1-10; Matthew 6: 19-end  
CANTICLE *Grayston Ives*<sup>M</sup> The eyes of the Lord  
MAGNIFICAT *Long* in F  
ANTHEM *Plumstead* A Grateful Heart  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

**9.00 pm Compline & Benediction (Cantors)**

HYMN *Plainsong* Ad cœnam Agni providi PSALM 134  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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The chief purpose of life, for any of us, is to increase according  
to our capacity our knowledge of God by all means we have,  
and to be moved by it to praise and thanks.

*J.R.R. Tolkien*

## FOURTH WEEK

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### 21 WEDNESDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Stewart*<sup>M</sup>

PSALM 106: 1-12

READINGS Hosea 13: 4-14; 1 Corinthians 15: 50-end

CANTICLES *Joanna Forbes L'Estrange* King's College Service

ANTHEM *Brahms* Warum ist das licht gegeben?

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose*<sup>M</sup>

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### 22 THURSDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Smith*

PSALM 108

READINGS Exodus 3: 1-15; Mark 12: 18-27

CANTICLES *Palestrina* Magnificat quinti toni

*Esquivel* Nunc dimittis

ANTHEM *Berkeley* The Lord is my shepherd

FINAL RESPONSES *Marlow*

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### 23 FRIDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Tallis*

PSALM 115

READINGS Ezekiel 36: 33-end; Romans 8: 1-11

CANTICLE *Plainsong* Fast sinks the sun to rest

MAGNIFICAT *Lasso* Tertii toni

ANTHEM *Josquin* Tu solus qui facis mirabilia

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 24 SATURDAY

JOHN & CHARLES WESLEY, 1791 & 1788

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Consort of Voices)

INTROIT *Cecilia McDowall* Regina caeli

PSALM 119: 1-16

RESPONSES *Humphrey Clucas*

HYMN 443

READINGS Isaiah 38: 9-20; Luke 24: 33-end

CANTICLES *Mundy* In medio chori

ANTHEM *David Bednall* Pater superni luminis

FINAL RESPONSES *Humphrey Clucas*

VOLUNTARY *Byrd* Fantasia in A minor

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When you seek truth, you seek God whether you know it or not.

*Edith Stein*

# MAY 2025

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## 25 SUNDAY

FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER EASTER

### 11.00 am **Sung Eucharist** (Clerks)

MASS *Byrd* Mass for Three Voices

HYMNS 310, 295, 407

READINGS Acts 16: 9-15; John 14: 23-29

ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Surrexit Christus

PREACHER The Reverend Stephanie Burette, *Chaplain, Corpus Christi*

MOTET *Charpentier* Tantum ergo *College & Lady Margaret Hall, Oxford*

VOLUNTARY *Preston* Alleluyas

### 6.00 pm **Choral Evensong** with sermon (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

HYMNS 385, 452

READINGS Zephaniah 3: 14-end;

PSALMS 126, 127

Matthew 28: 1-10, 16-end

CANTICLES *Philip Moore* First Service

ANTHEM *Parsons* Credo quod redemptor meus vivit

PREACHER The Reverend Wealands Bell, *Honorary Chaplain*

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose<sup>M</sup>*

VOLUNTARY *Whitlock* Grave-Animato from Sonata in C minor

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## 26 MONDAY

AUGUSTINE, 605

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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## 27 TUESDAY

THE VENERABLE BEDE, 735

8.30 am Morning Prayer

### 9.00 pm **Compline** (Cantors)

HYMN *Plainsong* Chorus novae Jerusalem

PSALM 4

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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## 28 WEDNESDAY

LANFRANC, 1089

8.30 am Morning Prayer

### 6.00 pm **Choral Evensong** (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Rose<sup>M</sup>*

PSALM 136

READINGS 2 Samuel 23: 1-5; Colossians 2: 20-3: 4

CANTICLES *Gareth Tresseder* in E

ANTHEM *Cheryl Frances-Hoad* At the round earth's imagin'd corners

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose<sup>M</sup>*

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Understanding human nature is the highest knowledge, and only by knowing it can we know God. It is also a fact that the knowledge of God is the highest knowledge, and only by knowing God can we understand human nature.

*Swami Vivekananda*

## FIFTH WEEK

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### 29 THURSDAY

ASCENSION DAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

**6.00 pm Sung Eucharist** (Consort of Voices)

MASS *Victoria* Missa Ascendens Christus

HYMNS 130 (OMIT\*), 134

READINGS Acts 1: 1-11; Luke 24: 44-end

PREACHER The Reverend Professor Robert Gilbert, *Fellows' Chaplain*

MOTET *Purcell* O God, the King of Glory

VOLUNTARY *Guilmant* March on a theme of Handel

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### 30 FRIDAY

JOSEPHINE BUTLER, 1906

8.30 am Morning Prayer

**6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer** (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Tallis*

PSALM 147

READINGS Numbers 20: 1-13; Luke 7: 11-17

CANTICLE *Plainsong* Sing we triumphant hymns of praise

MAGNIFICAT *Soriano* Secundi toni

ANTHEM *Handl* Ascendens Christus in altum

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 31 SATURDAY

THE VISIT OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TO ELIZABETH

**6.00 pm Festal Choral Evensong**

INTROIT *Tavener* Hymn to the Mother of God

PSALM 113

RESPONSES *Sasha Johnson Manning*

HYMN 185

READINGS Zephaniah 3: 14-18; Luke 1: 39-56

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Ut audivit

CANTICLES *Watson* in E

ANTHEM *Parsons* Ave Maria

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *Langlais* Incantation pour un jour Saint

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How copiously I wept at your hymns and canticles,  
how intensely was I moved by the lovely harmonies of your singing Church!  
Those voices flooded my ears, and the truth was distilled into my heart  
until it overflowed in loving devotion.

*St Augustine*

# JUNE 2025

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## JUNE

### 1 SUNDAY

SUNDAY AFTER ASCENSION DAY

**11.00 am Sung Eucharist**

MASS *Palestrina* Missa Papae Marcelli HYMNS 134, 296, 349

READINGS Acts 16: 16-34; John 17: 20-end

ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Regnavit Dominus

PREACHER Mr Oliver Wright, *Assistant Chaplain*

ANTHEM *James MacMillan* Christus vincit

VOLUNTARY *Handel* Allegro from Concerto in G Op. 4 No. 1

**6.00 pm Choral Evensong** with Admission of Choristers and Sacristans

INTROIT *Mendelssohn* Erhaben, O Herr, über alles Lob HYMNS 128, 352

RESPONSES *Sasha Johnson Manning* PSALM 68: 1-19

READINGS Isaiah 44: 1-8; Ephesians 4: 7-16

CANTICLES *Walton* Chichester Service

\* FIRST PERFORMANCE ANTHEM *Nico Muhly* When all is ended fully \*

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *Dallier* Electa ut sol from Cinq Invocations

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### 2 MONDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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### 3 TUESDAY

MARTYRS OF UGANDA, 1885-87 & 1977

8.30 am Morning Prayer

**6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer** (Choristers)

RESPONSES *Plainsong* PSALM 17

READINGS 1 Samuel 10: 1-10; 1 Corinthians 12: 1-13

CANTICLE *Plainsong* He who bore witness by a good confession

MAGNIFICAT *Simon Johnson* On Plainsong Tones

ANTHEM *Sowerby* The Lord ascendeth up on high

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

**9.00 pm Compline** (Cantors)

HYMN *Plainsong* Rex gloriose martyrum PSALM 31: 1-6

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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Lord, make me an instrument of your peace;  
where there is hatred, let me sow love;  
where there is injury, pardon;  
where there is doubt, faith;  
where there is despair, hope;  
where there is darkness, light;  
and where there is sadness, joy.

*St Francis of Assisi*



## SIXTH WEEK

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### 4 WEDNESDAY

PETROC, 6<sup>th</sup> CENTURY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

PSALM 21

READINGS 1 Kings 19: 1-18; Matthew 3: 13-end

CANTICLES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup> Fifth Service

ANTHEM *Byrd* Laudibus in sanctis

FINAL RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

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### 5 THURSDAY

BONIFACE, 754

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

RESPONSES *Leighton*

PSALM 27

READINGS Ezekiel 11: 14-20; Matthew 9: 35-10: 20

CANTICLES *Rubbra* in A-flat

ANTHEM *Nico Muhly* With Eys Lift Up

FINAL RESPONSES *Matthew Martin*<sup>M</sup>

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### 6 FRIDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Tallis*

PSALM 33

READINGS Ezekiel 36: 22-28; Matthew 12: 22-32

CANTICLE *Grayston Ives*<sup>M</sup> The Lord hath clothed me

MAGNIFICAT *Mundy* Service in three parts

ANTHEM *Sheppard*<sup>M</sup> I give you a new commandment

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Regina caeli

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### 7 SATURDAY

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong

INTROIT *Chesnokov* Angel vopiyashe

PSALM 37: 1-21

RESPONSES *Byrd*

HYMN 409

READINGS Deuteronomy 16: 9-15; John 7: 37-39

CANTICLES *Purcell* in G minor

ANTHEM *Byrd* Tribue Domine

FINAL RESPONSES *Byrd*

VOLUNTARY *J.S. Bach* Prelude in E BWV 566

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We may ignore, but we can nowhere evade the presence of God.  
The world is crowded with Him. He walks everywhere incognito.

*C.S. Lewis*

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## 8 SUNDAY

## PENTECOST (WHIT SUNDAY)

- 11.00 am** **Sung Eucharist** with Baptism & Confirmation  
MASS *Poulenc* Messe en sol majeur HYMNS 140, 446, 408  
READINGS Acts 2: 1-21; John 14: 8-17, 25-27  
ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Emitte spiritum tuum  
PREACHER The Right Reverend Humphrey Southern, *Principal, Ripon*  
MOTET *Friedell* Draw us in the Spirit's tether *College, Cuddesdon*  
VOLUNTARY *Durufle* Choral Varié sur le thème du 'Veni Creator' Op. 4
- 6.00 pm** **Festal Choral Evensong** with Sermon  
RESPONSES *Smith* HYMNS 431, 137  
READINGS Exodus 33: 7-20; 2 Corinthians 3: 4-end PSALM 33: 1-12  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Non vos relinquam  
CANTICLES *Rore* Magnificat primi toni  
*Esquivel* Nunc dimittis  
ANTHEM *Tallis* Loquebantur variis linguis  
PREACHER Dr Eve Poole OBE, *Executive Chair, Woodard Schools,*  
*Third Church Estates Commissioner 2018-22*  
FINAL RESPONSES *Marlow*  
VOLUNTARY *J.S. Bach* Fantasia super Komm, heiliger Geist BWV 651
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## 9 MONDAY

COLUMBA, 597

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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## 10 TUESDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

- 6.00 pm** **Choral Evening Prayer** (Choristers and the Choristers of Grace Cathedral, San Francisco)  
RESPONSES *Plainsong* PSALMS 53, 54  
READINGS Genesis 13: 1-12; Romans 12: 9-end  
CANTICLE *Plainsong* Come Holy Ghost, our souls inspire  
NUNC DIMITTIS *Hogan* Washington Service  
ANTHEM *Roxanna Panufnik* Ulbi caritas  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina
- 9.00 pm** **Compline** (Cantors)  
HYMN *Plainsong* Veni Sancte Spiritus PSALM 91  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina
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The Holy Spirit upon my left leads my feet without ceasing into the  
camp of the righteous and into the tents of the free.

*Maya Angelou*

## SEVENTH WEEK

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### 11 WEDNESDAY

BARNABAS THE APOSTLE

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Festal Choral Evensong

INTROIT *Victoria* Veni Sancte Spiritus

PSALM 147

RESPONSES *Sasha Johnson Manning*

HYMN 167

READINGS Ecclesiastes 12: 9-end; Acts 9: 26-31

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Qui vult venire

CANTICLES *Rogers<sup>M</sup>* in G

ANTHEM *Weelkes* Gloria in excelsis Deo

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *De Grigny* Dialogue sur les Grand jeux *from* Veni Creator

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### 12 THURSDAY

FOUNDER'S DAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong with Founder's Prayers

INTROIT *Whitbourn<sup>M</sup>* Glory to Thee

PSALM 65

RESPONSES *Stewart<sup>M</sup>*

HYMN 267

READINGS Jeremiah 1: 4-10; John 10: 11-16

CANTICLES *Grayston Ives<sup>M</sup>* Edington Service

ANTHEM *Rose<sup>M</sup>* O Praise God in his Holiness

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose<sup>M</sup>*

VOLUNTARY *Mendelssohn* Allegro Maestoso *from* Sonata No. 5 Op. 65

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### 13 FRIDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks and the Choristers of Grace Cathedral)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 68: 1-19

READINGS Isaiah 51: 1-8; John 8: 48-end

CANTICLE *Plainsong* Rejoice the year upon its way

MAGNIFICAT *Gibbons* Short Service

ANTHEM *Tallis* O Lord, give thy Holy Spirit

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina

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### 14 SATURDAY

RICHARD BAXTER, 1691

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Consort of Voices and Hackney Choral)

RESPONSES *Ayleward*

PSALM 72

READINGS Isaiah 40: 12-end; Mark 1: 1-13

HYMN 393

CANTICLES *Stainer<sup>M</sup>* in B-flat

ANTHEM *Vaughan Williams* O clap your hands

FINAL RESPONSES *Ayleward*

VOLUNTARY *Whitlock* Sortie *from* Seven Sketches

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# JUNE 2025

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## 15 SUNDAY

## TRINITY SUNDAY

### 11.00 am Sung Eucharist

MASS *Kodály* Missa brevis

HYMNS 159 (OMIT \*), 358 (ii), 146

READINGS Proverbs 8: 1-4, 22-31; John 16: 12-15

ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Benedictus es

PREACHER The Reverend Dr Andrew Bowyer, *Dean of Divinity*

MOTET *Sheppard<sup>M</sup>* Libera nos, salva nos

VOLUNTARY *Kodály* Ite missa est

### 6.00 pm Festal Choral Evensong *with Founder's Prayers*

INTROIT *Barry Ferguson* It was in that train

HYMNS 466, 148 (OMIT \*)

RESPONSES *Stewart<sup>M</sup>*

PSALM 73: 1-3, 16-end

READINGS Exodus 3: 1-15; John 3: 1-17

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Benedictus es

CANTICLES *Stewart<sup>M</sup>* in C-sharp minor

ANTHEM *Stainer<sup>M</sup>* I saw the Lord

FINAL RESPONSES *Rose<sup>M</sup>*

VOLUNTARY *Gade* Allegro in A minor

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## 16 MONDAY

RICHARD OF CHICHESTER, 1253

8.30 am Morning Prayer

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## 17 TUESDAY

SAMUEL & HENRIETTA BARNETT, 1913 & 1936

8.30 am Morning Prayer

### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Junior Choristers and Magdalen College Junior School Chamber Choir)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 87

READINGS Exodus 2: 11-end; Acts 7: 17-29

CANTICLE *Tallis* Glory to Thee, my God, this night

MAGNIFICAT *Bairstow* in E-flat major

ANTHEM *Howells* My eyes for beauty pine

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina

### 9.00 pm Compline & Benediction (Cantors)

HYMN *Plainsong* Adesto sancta Trinitas

PSALM 134

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina

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There's only one effectively redemptive sacrifice, the sacrifice of  
self-will to make room for the knowledge of God.

*Aldous Huxley*

## EIGHTH WEEK

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### 18 WEDNESDAY

BERNARD MIZEKI, 1896

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong *for leaving students*

INTROIT *Beach* Peace I leave with you

PSALM 92

RESPONSES *Leighton*

HYMN 377

READINGS Ecclesiasticus 39: 1-10; Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23

CANTICLES *Howells* Collegium Magdalene Oxoniense

ANTHEM *Balfour Gardiner* Evening Hymn

FINAL RESPONSES *Matthew Martin*<sup>M</sup>

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### 19 THURSDAY

#### CORPUS CHRISTI (DAY OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE

8.30 am Morning Prayer

INSTITUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION)

#### 6.00 pm Sung Eucharist, Procession & Benediction

MASS *Poulenc* Messe en sol majeur

HYMNS 296, 307, 368

READINGS Genesis 14: 18-20; John 6: 51-58

ALLELUIA *Plainsong* Caro mea vere

MOTETS *G. Gabrieli* O quam suavis est

*Laloux* O salutaris hostia *Durufle* Tantum ergo

VOLUNTARY *Widor* Marche Pontificale *from* Symphony No. 1 Op. 13

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### 20 FRIDAY

8.30 am Morning Prayer

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evening Prayer (Clerks)

RESPONSES *Plainsong*

PSALM 104: 1-10

READINGS Exodus 34: 1-10; Mark 7: 1-13

CANTICLE *Plainsong* Creator of the earth and sky

NUNC DIMITTIS *Grayston Ives*<sup>M</sup> Magdalen Service

ANTHEM *Guerrero* O lux beata Trinitas

HYMN *Lasso* Tibi laus

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### 21 SATURDAY

#### 6.00 pm Choral Evensong (Combined Choirs)

INTROIT *John Rutter* God be in my head

PSALM 106: 1-12

RESPONSES *Radcliffe*

HYMN 331

READINGS Exodus 34: 27-end; 2 Corinthians 3: 7-end

CANTICLES *Dyson* in D

ANTHEM *Parry* Blest pair of sirens

FINAL RESPONSES *Naylor*

VOLUNTARY *Vierne* Toccata *from* Pièces de Fantaisie Op. 53

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# SERVICES FOLLOWING THE END OF TERM

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**22 SUNDAY**

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

**10.00 am**

**Sermon before the University** for *St John the Baptist's Day*

ANTHEM *Naylor* Vox dicentis: Clama

PREACHER The Reverend Dr Philip Krinks

HYMN 58 (TUNE 94)

(Magd 1991) *CEO, Pepal*

THIS SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE IN ST JOHN'S QUAD

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**24 TUESDAY**

**THE BIRTH OF JOHN THE BAPTIST**

**6.00 pm**

**Festal Choral Evensong** for *Magdalen College Junior School leavers*

INTROIT *Purcell* Hear my prayer

PSALM 119: 1-16

RESPONSES *Smith*

HYMN 475

SEATS IN THE INNER

READINGS Malachi 4; Matthew 11: 2-19

CHAPEL WILL BE

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Puer natus est nobis

RESERVED FOR MCS

CANTICLES *Marenzio* Magnificat octavi toni

PUPILS, FAMILIES AND

*Beach* Nunc dimittis

STAFF.

ANTHEM *Clemens non Papa* Ego flos campi

FINAL RESPONSES *Marlow*

VOLUNTARY *Widor* Toccata from Symphony No. 5 Op. 42

**9.00 pm**

**Compline & Benediction** (Clerks)

HYMN *Plainsong* Collaudemus Magdalenae

PSALM 4

ANTIPHON *Plainsong* Salve regina

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**26 THURSDAY**

**5.45 pm**

**Choral Evensong** for the *Oxford Festival of the Arts*

INTROIT *Judith Weir* Vertue

PSALM 119: 145-160

RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

HYMN 252

READINGS Proverbs 8: 1-11; 1 John 4: 7-16

CANTICLES *Nico Muhly* Magdalen Service

ANTHEM *Philip Moore* Lo, God is here

FINAL RESPONSES *Tomkins*<sup>M</sup>

VOLUNTARY *Holst, arr. Robert Quinney* Jupiter from The Planets

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Use me, God. Show me how to take who I am, who I want to be, and what I can do,  
and use it for a purpose greater than myself.

*Martin Luther King Jnr.*

# JUNE & JULY 2025

## JULY

### 5 SATURDAY

IRANAEUS, C. 200

#### 6.00 pm **Choral Evensong** *before the Gaudy (1979-81)*

SEATS IN THE INNER  
CHAPEL WILL INITIALLY  
BE RESERVED FOR  
THOSE ATTENDING THE  
GAUDY.

INTROIT *Nico Muhly* One Star  
RESPONSES *Stewart*<sup>M</sup>  
READINGS Isaiah 6: 1-9; Revelation 19: 9-end  
CANTICLES *Murrill* in E  
ANTHEM *Brahms* Geistliches Lied  
FINAL RESPONSES *Rose*<sup>M</sup>  
VOLUNTARY *Mulet* Tu es Petra

PSALM 27  
HYMN 336

### 22 TUESDAY

MARY MAGDALEN

#### 6.00 pm **Festal Choral Evensong** (Members of the Consort of Voices)

INTROIT *Philips* Maria Magdalena  
RESPONSES *Ayleward*  
READINGS Zephaniah 3: 14-end; Mark 15: 40-16: 7  
ANTIPHON *Plainsong* In diebus illis  
CANTICLES *Vivanco* Magnificat octavi toni  
*Wood* Nunc dimittis  
ANTHEM *Nicolson*<sup>M</sup> When Jesus sat at meat  
FINAL RESPONSES *Ayleward*  
VOLUNTARY *Peeters* Lied to the Sun

PSALM 63  
HYMN 174 (TN. 195)

REGULAR CHORAL SERVICES IN THE MICHAELMAS TERM  
WILL RESUME ON SUNDAY 12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

TUESDAY 1 JULY 2025, 7.30pm  
Oxford Town Hall

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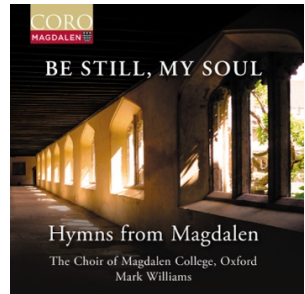
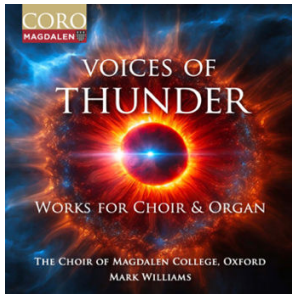
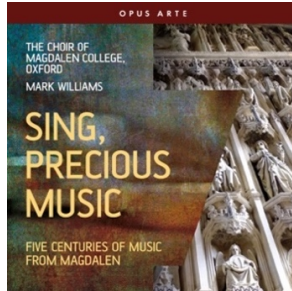
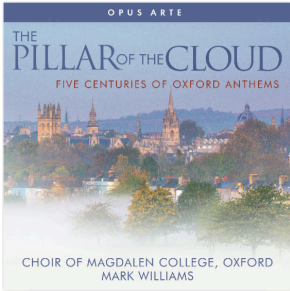
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