Hertford College, Oxford

The Annunciation – The Octagon

The Chapel
Michaelmas Term 2017
Welcome to the Chapel of Hertford College
Our chapel aims to be a welcome space for everyone. All College members and their guests are invited to attend Chapel services in Hertford College. The services are Anglican in character but we welcome worshippers from every denomination, as well as people of any faith or no faith.

The Chaplain
The Reverend **Mia Smith** is happy to meet up with any member of the College community. Room NB1/4, mia.smith@hertford.ox.ac.uk

Chapel Services
**Sunday 5:45pm: Choral Evensong**
**Tuesday 10pm:** Compline by Candlelight – A short plainsong service
**Thursday 6pm:** Holy Communion, followed by free Chaplain’s Buffet (with vegan option)

The Chapel Choir
The choir is managed by our Senior and Junior Organ Scholars, **Hannah Towndrow** and **Charlotte Corderoy**. It is non-auditioning, and rehearsals are held on Fridays between 5:30-7pm, and Sundays 4pm-5:30. New members welcome: hannah.towndrow@hertford.ox.ac.uk.

The Christian Union meets NB 1/4 on Wednesdays at 8pm for prayer and Bible study. Contact Esme Scott or Joanna Anderson for further details.

Roman Catholic Mass: takes place at 6pm on the Wednesday of 4th week. Followed by supper. Contact Elena Burges for further details.

Exploring Faith
University is a great time to explore the big questions of purpose in life; please email the chaplain if you would like to investigate ways of doing this. This term an Alpha course will be held on Tuesdays from 10th October, 7:30-9:30. (www.staldates.org.uk/alpha)

COLLEGE COMUNION
These slightly more formal Eucharists mark special dates in the life of the college.

**St Luke (the doctor)** is celebrated on **Thursday of 2nd** (19th October). This service will incorporate anointing for those involved in the care of others.

**All Souls** is an opportunity to remember those we have lost, on **Thursday of 4th** (2nd November)

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
6pm on **Wednesday of 8th** (29th November)

Other Worship
- Oxford Inter-Collegiate Christian Union: www.oiccu.org
- The Roman Catholic Chaplaincy: www.catholic-chaplaincy.org.uk
- The Methodist Chaplaincy: martin.wellings@oxfordmethodists.org.uk
- The Oxford Pastorate Chaplaincy: www.oxfordpastorate.org
- The Oxford Jewish Chaplaincy: http://oxfordchap.weebly.com
- The Oxford Islamic Chaplaincy: afifi.al-akiti@orinst.ox.ac.uk
- The Hindu Chaplaincy: shaunaka@ochs.org.uk

This term’s Evensong donations will go towards the work of the human rights advocacy charity Christian Solidarity Worldwide
EVENSONG PREACHING SERIES
HUMAN BEING – aspects of our existence

Sundays, 5.45pm

8th October
1st Week
The Reverend Mia Smith, Chaplain
Welcome Service The Hertford Being

15th October
Mervyn Thomas
2nd Week
The Free Being

22nd October
Dr Joss Bryan
3rd Week
The Narrative Being

29th October
The Reverend Graham Stevenson
4th Week
The Reforming Being

5th November
The Reverend Professor Robert Gilbert
5th Week
The Scientific Being

12th November
Dr Charles Read
6th Week
Remembrance Sunday The Sacrificed Being

19th November
The Reverend Alison Hogger Gadsby
7th Week
The Whole Being – mental health

26th November
Advent Carols

Members of College and their guests are invited to join
the Chaplain and preacher for drinks in the Old Library after the service.
Coffee is served in the Old Library after dinner.
About our Evensong Speakers

Mervyn Thomas is Chief Executive of Christian Solidarity Worldwide, which works for religious freedom through advocacy and human rights. He has been a passionate advocate for this fundamental right for over thirty years, speaking extensively all over the world. He is a member of the Foreign Office Advisory Group on religious freedom, and Chairman of the Religious Liberty Partnership.

Joss Bryan is post graduate director and academic dean at Cranmer Hall in the University of Durham. Her main research interest is in the interdisciplinary field of psychology, theology, and ministry, and she has written extensively on sexual issues and on psychology. Her latest book, “Human Being” has inspired this preaching series. Joss is a lay preacher in the Methodist church.

Graham Stevenson is an Anglican minister in a deprived part of Hackney, East London, where he also shares the childcare for his two small children. Graham is passionate about theology, and about the local church as a means of building faith, hope and love. His last visit to Hertford college was to the bar with the victorious Exeter college darts team, circa 2003.

Rob Gilbert is Tutor in Biochemistry at Magdalen, Professor of Biophysics in the Nuffield Department of Medicine, and Director of the Medical Sciences Division Graduate School. He was ordained in 2011 and is currently serving as Associate Priest at Holy Trinity Parish Church in Headington Quarry. His first book, “Science and the Truthfulness of Beauty”, was published in September.

Charles Read writes about industry and academic economics for The Economist, lectures in economic policy at the University of Cambridge and is a Bye-Fellow in economics and history at Fitzwilliam College, Cambridge. He is a former visiting senior scholar at Hertford College. He trained as an economic historian and served as chapel manager at Christ's College, Cambridge.

Ali Hogger Gadsby is director of Keeping Health in Mind, which helps churches to explore their relationship with mental health. Ali came to the priesthood via English Literature, Mental Health Nursing, behaviour therapy, and freelance writing. Her special interest is in how our knowledge of God can inform how we see mental and emotional wellbeing.