Hertford College, Oxford

The Annunciation – The Octagon

The Chapel
Michaelmas Term 2021
Welcome to the Chapel of Hertford College

We really value people of faith at Hertford and love the diversity you bring to our community. Our Chaplain, Mia, loves working with students of any faith to support them in their journey, so if you wonder how Hertford and your religion will mix, please get in touch.

PRAY
People of any faith or none are welcome to use Chapel as a prayer or meditation space. There is a prayer station in the antechapel for anyone, whether you pray or not, to write down things you would like others to pray for, and a space to remember people we have lost. We can also offer a multi-faith prayer room – please see the Chaplain for further information.

EAT
We love bringing each other’s faith feasts into hall so we can all celebrate together. If you would like to mark a special faith occasion with a feast, please tell us and we’ll all join in!

CONNECT
It’s really important that people of faith get to connect in community. The Chaplain will happily advise on local places of worship. Here’s a link to get you started:

www.hertford.ox.ac.uk/chapel

oxford.ox.ac.uk/activities/student-projects/a-place-for-you

The College Chapel is a beautiful and atmospheric space in OB Quad. Usually, Church of England services are held throughout term, incorporating some wonderful music from our non-auditioning choir (new members always welcome) and some engaging speakers on issues of faith, wellbeing, and the values we share as a college. Multi-faith and faith-neutral events and commemorations regularly take place in Chapel, and everyone is always welcome to any event there. Additionally, our Chapel’s perfect acoustic makes it an ideal venue for music making. All members of college are welcome to use it for this purpose, or for drama or art exhibitions, or anything else – it’s a space for all of us. Please get in touch with the Chaplain (mia.smith@hertford.ox.ac.uk) or the Events Manager (events@hertford.ox.ac.uk) to discuss using the space.
Chapel Services this term

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. Many who attend would not profess a faith, but come for the beauty and tradition of our services. 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

Mia Smith*, Chaplain.
Mia leads the life of the Chapel, and has a role in welfare. She is happy to speak to members of the community (confidentially) on any matter. Her office is NB1/4.

Weekly Chapel Services
Sunday 5:45pm: Choral Evensong
Tuesday 9pm: Compline by Candlelight – A short plainchant service
Thursday 6pm: Service with motet from a chamber choir. Followed by free Chaplain’s Buffet (with vegan option)

The Chapel Choir
The choir is managed by our Senior and Junior Organ Scholars, Andrew Liu* and Will Jeys*. It is non-auditioning, and rehearsals are held on Fridays between 5:30-7pm, and Sundays 4pm-5:30. New members welcome.

The Christian Union meets NB 1/4 on Wednesdays at 8pm for prayer and Bible study. Contact Harry Savage* 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, including Alpha: (www.staldates.org.uk/alpha)

Special Chapel Services:

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS: takes place at 6pm on the Monday of 3rd week. Followed by supper. Contact Eileen Casey* for further details.

ALL SOULS – REMEMBERING THOSE WE HAVE LOST
This term we mark All Souls in our Thursday service as an opportunity to remember those we have lost, on Thursday of 4th (4th November)

TRANSGENDER DAY OF REMEMBRANCE
20th November (Saturday of 6th week) in Chapel. Join members from the university and the city to mark this important occasion.

SERVICE OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT
6pm on Wednesday of 8th (1st December)

This term’s Evensong donations will go towards to work of Refugee Resource, offering psychological, social and practical support for refugees, asylum seekers and vulnerable migrants as they build new lives as part of Oxfordshire’s diverse community.

*To email Hertford members, please use firstname.surname@hertford.ox.ac.uk
# EVENSONG PREACHING SERIES: FAITH, FORMATION, AND FLOURISHING

Sundays, 5.45pm

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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.