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**Brasenose College Chapel**

**Hilary Term Card 2025**

**A warm welcome awaits all members of college regardless of denomination, faith, or no faith, and all members are welcome to attend services and events in chapel.**

**Regular Midweek Services**

*in chapel weeks 1-8 unless otherwise stated*

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| **Monday** | **Tuesday** | **Wednesday** | **Thursday** | **Friday** |
| **8.00am-8.20am**  Morning Prayer | **8.00am-8.20am**  Morning Prayer | **8.00am-8.20am**  Morning Prayer | **8.00am-8.20am**  Morning Prayer | **8.00am-8.20am**  Morning Prayer |
| **12.30pm-1.00pm**  Silent Stillness | **12.30pm-1.00pm**  Silent Stillness | **12.30pm-1.00pm**  Silent Stillness | **12.30pm-1.00pm**  Silent Stillness | **12.30pm-1.00pm**  Silent Stillness |
|  | **6.00pm - 6.35pm**  **The College Eucharist**  *A service of Holy Communion with organ music and hymns. Followed by drinks & nibbles in the antechapel.*  *In* ***week 7*** *we host the* ***RC College Mass*** *at 6.00pm, served by the Catholic Chaplaincy*:  [www.catholic-chaplaincy.org.uk/](http://www.catholic-chaplaincy.org.uk/) |  | 5.45pm Christian Union *meeting in the chaplain’s office, Heberden 1.* | **6.00pm - 6.45pm Music Concert**  ***in the antechapel.***  *From 3rd week to 7th week inclusive. See BNC Music intranet page for details.* |
|  | *Occasionally Compline (a simple sung service of Night Prayer) led by students – look out for when this is taking place.* | 7.00pm  Choir Rehearsal |  |

**The Holy Eucharist** (Holy Communion, the Lord’s Supper, or Mass) is celebrated on **Sundays** and **Tuesdays** in term.

If you are baptised and usually receive communion you are welcome to do so here. Otherwise, you may receive a blessing.

**Silent Stillness -** these are times when chapel will be guaranteed to be completely quiet so any member of college can come and enjoy the space to be still, meditate, pray, read, or just sit quietly and enjoy the silence.

**Special Services, Events, & Notices**

**Wk 1 Tues 21st Jan. Chapel returners pub meal,** after the Tuesday evening Eucharist, meet in the antechapel at 7pm. A free drink & pub meal.

**Wk 3 Fri 7th Feb. Platnauer Concert 6.00pm – 7.00pm** in the antechapel followed by drinks in Mediaeval Kitchen. Free admission. All welcome.

**Wk 7 Tues 4th March Roman Catholic College Mass** at 6pm, served by the Catholic Chaplaincy. Drinks & nibbles served following the service.

**Wk 7 Wed 5th March Ash Wednesday Sung Eucharist** 8.00pm Intercollegiate service at the University church of Saint Mary the Virgin.

**The Runcie Sermon** (Sunday 3rd February)is given annually in Hilary Term in memory of Archbishop Robert Runcie (1921-2000), an alumnus of BNC and later Archbishop of Canterbury from 1980-1991.Our preacher isthe Revd Marcus Walker,Rector of St Bartholomew the Great in the city of London.

**Lent begins in week 7 on Ash Wednesday (5th March) and we will join the University Church for a Sung Eucharist with the Imposition of Ashes at 8.00pm.**

The chaplain is available to talk with you about any matters of faith & spirituality.

**Sunday Mornings**

**9.00am - 9.30am Holy Eucharist** (sometimes, Morning Prayer) The Chaplain.

**9.40am - 11.00am** **Chaplain’s Breakfast**

Meeting in Heberden 1 (above the JCR) for community, conversation,

tea & filter coffee, fresh fruit, & fresh pastries.

**3.45pm - 4.15pm** **Choir Tea**

Open to members of the choir & chapel community. Hosted by the Bible Clerk.

**Sunday Evenings**

**6.00pm College Prayers**

*College Prayers is usually a service of Choral Evensong (6.00pm - 6.55pm), a sung service with*

*the chapel choir, organ music, congregational hymns, and a talk by the chaplain or a visiting speaker, followed by drinks in the Amersi room at 7.00pm, & dinner at 7.30pm.*

**Week 1** *Epiphany 2*

19th January **The Chaplain**

**Week 2** *Holocaust Memorial Day Commemoration*

26th January **Ms Malka Levine**

Born in Ukraine, moved to Israel in 1947, and now living in Nottingham. Malka’s new book *Our Mother’s Courage* (Pan Macmillan, 2024) is a personal story of surviving the Holocaust.

**Week 3** *Feast of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple*

2nd February **The Chaplain**

**Week 4** *The University Sermon on the Grace of Humility.*

9th February **The Revd Canon Leanne Roberts**

Dean of Clergy Wellbeing, Diocese of Southwark.

**Week 5** *Septuagesima*

16th February **The Chaplain**

**Week 6** *Sexagesima - The Annual Runcie Sermon*

23rd February **The Revd Marcus Walker**

Rector of St Bartholomew the Great in the city of London. For four years Marcus was Deputy Director of the Anglican Centre in Rome, the Anglican Communion’s embassy

to the Vatican.

**Week 7** *Quinquagesima*

2nd March **The Right Revd June Osborne**

Sometime Bishop of Llandaff & Dean of Salisbury.

**Week 8** *First Sunday in Lent - Words & Music for Passiontide.*

9th March **The Chaplain**

**The College Chapel** is a space for all members of college, their families, and friends. It is a sacred space set aside for contemplation, prayer, and worship. A place to find peace or simply be and enjoy some quiet and its beauty. We aim to be friendly & welcoming community and we invite you to cross the threshold and be at home in chapel. It is also a place used for music making and practice. We always welcome volunteers to read or intercede on Sundays, so if you’d like to participate, please speak with the Bible Clerk or the Chaplain.

**People**

**Director of Music**: Polina Sosnina

**Organ Scholar**: Jaylen Cheng [jaylen.cheng@bnc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:jaylen.cheng@bnc.ox.ac.uk)

**Chapel Choir:** All members of Brasenose are welcome to sing in the famously fun and friendly Chapel Choir, led by our Director of Music, Polina Sosnina (XII.13; [polina.sosnina@bnc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:polina.sosnina@bnc.ox.ac.uk)) and our organ scholar.

**Bible Clerk:** James Hartley [james.hartley@bnc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:james.hartley@bnc.ox.ac.uk)

**Assistant Bible Clerk:** *vacant – if interested please speak with the chaplain.*

**HCR Chapel Rep:**  *vacant – if interested please speak with the chaplain.*

**Brasenose CU:** [www.instagram.com/braselincqueencu](http://www.instagram.com/braselincqueencu) for Brasenose, Lincoln & Queens Colleges Joint **Christian Union**. Meeting weekly in term in Brasenose College. Contact: James Maloney.

**Collegiate University Chaplains & Faith Groups info & contacts:**

<https://www.ox.ac.uk/students/welfare/chaplaincy>

**College Chaplain:** The Revd David Sheen

I am an Anglican priest and I’m **available to all members of college** as a listening ear & a support in things both small & great. I am a key member of the Welfare Team, extending pastoral care to all members of college, of all faiths & none. If you would like to talk about any matter, then do get in touch. I can be found in Heberden 1 (above the JCR on the first floor).

Email [chaplain@bnc.ox.ac.uk](mailto:chaplain@bnc.ox.ac.uk) or telephone: 01865 277833.

In an emergency I can be contacted via the Lodge. Should you need to speak to me in an accessible room then let me know in advance and I can arrange this.

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**Student led Facebook group:**

Brasenose Chapel Choir, email the Organ Scholar to join.