



MAGDALENE COLLEGE CHAPEL



LENT TERM 2025

CHAPEL IS AT THE HEART OF THE COLLEGE: ALL ARE WELCOME

SUNDAYS

- Holy Communion** **9-10am** 19 January – 16 March
Simple service followed by a free breakfast
- Choral Evensong** **6pm-7pm** 26 January – 16 March
Traditional service with glorious music from the Choir and thoughtful sermons from a range of preachers; followed by drinks in Benson Hall. At St Giles' Church on 2 February and 16 March.

WEEKDAYS

- Morning Prayer** **Tuesday to Friday in Term, 8.30am**
20 minutes of prayer with Scripture readings
- Choral Evensong** **Thursday, 6.15-6.50pm**
*A beautiful Choral service with prayers (no sermon)
30 January – 20 March; not on 20 February or 6 March*
- Candlelit Compline** **Wednesday 19 February 9-9.20pm**
Ancient plainchant sung in the dark; then port & hot chocolate

SPECIAL SERVICES

- A Benedictine day in the
Divine Offices of Prayer** **Thursday 6 February**
*One day, six short times to pray, with plainchant and reflection
from daybreak to nightfall: 6am, 9am, 12pm, 3pm, 6.15pm, 9.30pm.*
- Pepys' Commemoration** **Friday 21 February, 6.15pm**
Evensong before the annual Samuel Pepys birthday celebration.
- Holy Baptism
and Confirmation** **Sunday 2 March, 9-10am**
See opposite.
- Ash Wednesday
Holy Communion** **Wednesday 5 March, 6.15pm**
*The ceremony of Ashing, with music and prayers for repentance
to mark the start of Lent. Followed by Chapel curry in Hall.*
- Passiontide Sequence** **Sunday 16 March, 6pm**
*A moving reflection on the Seven Last Words of Christ with poetry
and Pergolesi's Stabat Mater with the Choir & instruments.*

SUNDAY CHORAL EVENSONG

This term four of our preachers help us learn from Magdalene's Benedictine beginnings as a Monks' Hostel. What does sixth century St Benedict offer as we learn to live in community & faith today?

- 26 January **The Revd Dr Ian Randall**
*Research Associate, Cambridge Centre for Christianity Worldwide;
former Deputy Principal of Spurgeon's College, London*
- 2 February **The Feast of Candlemas: The Revd Adam Bak**
A joint service with the New Cambridge Singers at St Giles' Church.
- 9 February **Benedict I: Richard Frost** MBE
Writer, Anglican lay minister, former Mental Health professional
- 16 February **Benedict II: The Dean of Chapel**
- 23 February **The Very Revd Dr Elizabeth Thomson**
Provincial Director of Ordinands, the Scottish Episcopal Church
- 2 March **Benedict III: The Rt Revd Dr Rowan Williams**
*Honorary Fellow; formerly 35th Master of Magdalene and 104th
Archbishop of Canterbury*
- 9 March **Benedict IV: Sr Jane Livesey** CJ
Newnham College; former General Superior of the Congregatio Jesu
- 16 March **Passiontide Sequence**

BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

Sunday 2 March 9am

A special service of commitment led by
Bishop Rowan Williams.

Contact Sarah to talk more.

Explore whether now is the time for this
step of faith at Sunday morning discussions
in First Court A6, from 10.45am, after the
10am Chapel breakfast in Ramsay Hall.

**Also: C S Lewis Reading Group on
Wednesdays 7.30pm in A6**

BENEDICTINE HABITS

Redeeming the Time:

A Benedictine day in the Divine Offices of Prayer on 6 February

6am *Lauds*, followed by breakfast,

9am *Terce*, 12pm *Sext*, 3pm *None*,

6.15pm *Choral Vespers*, 9.30pm *Compline*

All 15-20 mins, except *Vespers* 40 mins.

Tools for living: Wednesdays 9-10am
drop-in studies to explore what the *Rule of
St Benedict* offers today,

Listen with your heart: Thursday Evensong
includes short readings from *Benedict*

THE CHAPEL IS OPEN EVERY DAY FOR EVERYONE TO ENJOY ITS PEACE

Belonging | Peace | Faith | Beauty | Justice

The Chapel is a welcoming community offering space, worship and events open to those of all faiths, none and everything between. It serves as a reminder of the spiritual dimension of our lives today as well as the College's Benedictine foundation.

All are welcome to visit, to sit in stillness, for services or to join the warden team.

THE CHAPEL TEAM

The Dean of Chapel, the Reverend Sarah Atkins

A6 First Court, 01223 332129, sct39@cam.ac.uk

Director of Music and Precentor, Mr James Potter, jp2025@cam.ac.uk

Organ Scholars, Jay Zheng & Alice Smith

Ordinand on placement, the Revd Adam Bak

Sacristan, Karen Dias

Pastoral care

Sarah is the Chaplain and is available to offer a listening ear on any matter to any member of the College community, whatever their beliefs. Don't hesitate to get in touch if you need an impartial, safe, supportive space, or would just like to sit in C S Lewis's chair in her office.

Faith support

Sarah supports people of any tradition as they practise their faith in Cambridge and find their community. Please get in touch if you would like to run an **event** for your faith in College. Sarah also accompanies anyone exploring Christian faith, vocation or interested in baptism/confirmation.

OTHER GROUPS & STUDENT REPS

College Prayer Room First Court F4
open to all for private prayer for all faiths.

Bahai bahai.soc.srcf.net

Buddhism buddha.soc.srcf.net

Hinduism cuhcs.soc.srcf.net

Islam Rep: Miraj ma2040, isoc.co.uk

Jainism facebook.com/CUJainSociety

Judaism cujs.or

Sikhism facebook.com/cusikhsoc

Christian groups

College Christian Union Jemimah aa2520

College Group on Mondays 8pm

University Catholic Chaplaincy, Fisher House Fr Paul Keane pj1001, Sr Ann acs92,
Rep Sebastian sab262, fisherhouse.org.uk

Student Christian Movement

cambridgescm.wordpress.com

Just Love justlovecambridge.wordpress.com

THE COLLEGE MORNING PRAYER

Almighty and Everlasting God, who dost fill all things with thy presence, may thy blessing rest upon this College of St Mary Magdalene, upon the Master, Fellows, Scholars, Staff and all the members of the same. Prosper their endeavours, promote their studies, and purify their minds even unto the perfect knowledge of thyself; through Jesus Christ our Lord.