Sundays in Chapel 6 pm: Choral Evensong

Ways of Knowing

1st week ★ 8 October  Ways of Knowing ... our Oneness with all things living
The Chaplain welcomes Freshers and opens the new term by encouraging us to tune into the 'knowingness' of the natural world, ourselves, and others. Followed by dinner in Hall for all who attend Evensong.

2nd week 15 October  Ways of Knowing ... as a Nun in her 30s
Sister Lizzie Ruth CSMV is a Sister of The Community of St Mary the Virgin in Wantage, a bus ride south of Oxford. She's in her late 30s and has a YouTube channel named Anglican Sister Journey. She particularly enjoys helping people encounter God for themselves within the Christian contemplative tradition.

3rd week ★ 22 October  Ways of Knowing, Ways of Learning
Wadham Research Associate Dr Mira Dumbalska explores the ways we learn. How do we come to know? What can experimental psychology teach us about learning?

4th week 29 October  Halloween and All Saints: Ways of Knowing
Canon Bruce Kinsey has worked in a variety of educational and medical settings. He has also worked as a therapist for many years. He is intrigued by the impact of the past on the present, and on the healing of memories.

5th week ★ 5 November  Practising Ways of Knowing
Chris Cullen works as a mindfulness trainer in the University’s Department of Psychiatry, and a psychotherapist in private practice and with the University Counselling Service.

6th week 12 November  Remembrance Sunday
Wadham Fellow Dr Jane Garnett reflects on how history matters.

7th week ★ 19 November  Queer Ways of Knowing
What does it mean to be known and seen as queer, by others and ourselves? Felicity Long shares some insights, from rural Lancashire to the Dreaming Spires. Felicity works in the University’s Graduate Admissions and Recruitment team on access programmes to support graduate students from under-represented and disadvantaged groups to apply to Oxford, and to thrive once here.

8th week 26 November  COLLEGE CAROL SERVICE
followed by mulled wine and mince pies in Hall
Doors open at 5.30 pm for this first come, first seated College tradition of Candlelight Lessons and Carols, show-casing our Chapel Choir and featuring readers from across the College, as we ponder the Christmas story through stories ancient and modern.

★ On starred evenings, Evensong is followed by dinner in Hall for all who have signed up beforehand; see Chapel mailings for details.
Midweek Services and Events in College for all

**Full Moon Tree Walks** – Sunday 4th wk (29 Oct.), Sunday 8th wk (26 Nov.), 10-11 pm
Wrap up warmly and join Jane and Maggie Mae in the gardens by night to admire Wadham’s amazing trees by moonlight (clouds permitting); the writing and reciting of moon-poetry is encouraged.

**Roman Catholic Evening Mass** – Wednesday 2nd wk (18 October) – 6 pm; all welcome.
A small, quiet gathering in the Chapel by candlelight for Holy Communion, led by one of the University’s Catholic chaplains.

**Autumn Mindfulness Half-Hour for Wadham Staff** – Wed 3rd wk (25 October), 10.30-11
For all Wadham staff members: 20 minutes in the garden for tree appreciation and guided nature immersion and reflection, followed by coffee and cake in the Ante-Chapel.

**All Souls Day** – Thursday 4th wk (2 November), 12.30-12.50 pm
A brief service of remembrance for those close to us who have died, with the opportunity to light candles. Names of those whom you would like to be remembered during the service may be given to the Chaplain ahead of time.

**Three Choirs Choral Evensong** – Friday 4th wk (3 November), 6.15-7 pm, New College Chapel
Come hear the combined choirs of Wadham, Mansfield, and Corpus Christi sing Evensong in the magnificent medieval chapel of New College on the feast of Richard Hooker (d. 1600).

**Remembrance Day** – Friday 5th wk (10 November) – 10.50 for 11 am
We gather – staff, Fellows, tutors, and students – at the Memorial Tablets outside the Undergraduate Centre, for a short observance to remember and honour the service and sacrifice given by College members in time of war.

**Transgender Day of Remembrance** – Monday 7th wk (20 November), all day
A meditation space will be open all day in the Ante-Chapel, to remember by name and pay our respects to those whose lives have been lost to anti-transgender violence over the past year.

**Weekly Events for Students (Weeks 1–8)**

**Tuesdays & Thursdays, 1.10-1.40 pm: Tree Appreciation after Lunch**
Join Jane and Maggie Mae after lunch in the gardens, with different trees featured each time; rain or shine.

**Wednesdays & Fridays, 8.10-8.40 am: Garden Qigong**

**Thursdays, 4-5 pm: Postgraduate Student Teas**
Postgraduate students, this tea is for you! Join Jane and Maggie Mae weekly in the Chaplain’s Room (3/1) for informal afternoon tea, crumpets, and cake. Special diets catered for. Drop in and out as you are able.

**Odd Friday Afternoon Teas**
Join Jane and Maggie Mae on odd Fridays for afternoon tea to end the week and start the weekend, in the Ante-Chapel (1st & 7th) or around town as the Chapel’s guest (3rd & 5th). Extramural teas limited to ten students; watch Chapel mailings for 3rd- and 5th-week sign-up links and further details.

1st Friday (13 Oct): Welcome Back Tea in the Ante-Chapel, 3.30-4.30 pm
3rd Friday (27 Oct): University Botanical Garden, 3-4, followed by tea at the Queen’s Lane Coffee House, 4-5 pm
5th Friday (10 Nov): Weston Library Alphabets Alive! exhibition 3-4, followed by tea in the library café, 4-5 pm
7th Friday (24 Nov): Thanksgiving-themed Tea in the Ante-Chapel, 3.30-4.30 pm
Beyond the Walls

**Wantage Literary Festival: Mary Jean Chan**
Saturday 3rd week (28 October) – an afternoon Chapel outing by bus to Wantage for a reading by local poet Mary Jean Chan (*Flèche*, 2019; *Bright Fear*, 2023); details in Chapel mailings.

**Iffley Pilgrimage**
Saturday 4th week (4 November) – a morning walk along the Thames towpath to Iffley village, with its fabulous Romanesque church of St Mary, followed by refreshments at the Isis Farmhouse; watch Chapel mailings for details.

**Christian Union (CU): Wadham x Jesus College**
Wadham x Jesus College CU is a great way to meet people and explore life, worship, the Bible, and Christian faith in a friendly, informal, no-pressure setting, with food and fellowship. Wednesday evening meal & Bible study (6.30-8 pm); Saturday breakfast fellowship & prayer (10.15 am); venues alternate between colleges. Contact Sascha Hamilton-Meikle (Finalist, Russian): alexander.hamilton-meikle@wadham.ox.ac.uk; or Haeun Kim (2nd year, French): ha.kim@wadham.ox.ac.uk.

**Wadham College Chapel**
The College Chapel serves as a haven for all members of College as well as their families and friends. Chapel events are inclusive and gather students and staff with diverse perspectives on matters of faith, metaphysical enquiry and spiritual practice, without assuming any particular religious affiliation. The Chapel is open all day, and is a place where you can light a candle, sit quietly and reflect, read, offer prayers, or simply take time out in stillness and peace.

**Chaplain: The Revd Dr Jane Baun**
The Chaplain is available to all members of the College community, and can be consulted in confidence on any matter of concern, personal, practical or spiritual – academic pressures, relationships, bereavement, anxiety or just life in general. Jane is ably assisted by the College ‘cat’ Maggie Mae, a mostly sheepdog who is always happy to receive adoration and give reassurance. Contact Jane on chaplain@wadham.ox.ac.uk.

**Chapel People**

**Director of Music**  Tom Hammond-Davies  
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**Chapel Organist**  Julian Littlewood

**Chapel Wardens**  Charlotte Máthé, Eva Hayward, Mohammad Faisal Bin Mohammad Feroz

*cover: Wadham Chapel, Lebanese Cedar, and Magnolia in conversation (Martin Dunkley Smith)*