

Services & Events
MICHAELMAS TERM 2026
The Chapel of St Peter & St Paul



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ABOUT THE CHAPEL

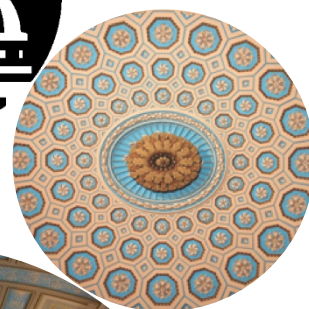
WELCOME to the Chapel of St Peter and St Paul at the Old Royal Naval College in Greenwich.

This beautiful Chapel was built by Thomas Ripley to the designs of Sir Christopher Wren and was the last major part of the Royal Hospital for Seamen to be constructed. Following a disastrous fire in 1779, it was redecorated by James 'Athenian' Stuart in the Greek Revival style and today constitutes a stunning example of a complete neoclassical interior.

The Chapel is open daily from 10.00–17.00 as a place of prayer and meditation. You are also warmly invited to join the congregation for our regular services: Choral Eucharist on Sundays at 11.00 and Choral Evensong on Mondays at 17.30 (term time). We are a welcoming and inclusive congregation, forming part of the Diocese of Southwark within the Church of England. We offer a self-serve crèche for families with small children during the main service on Sundays. Our celebrated choir sings at our Sunday and Monday services, complementing thoughtful preaching and dignified liturgy in a setting of some of the world's most magnificent architecture.

The excellent acoustics of the curved ceiling also mean that the Chapel is often used for concerts and recitals by our site partner, Trinity Laban Conservatoire of Music and Dance.

Cover image: Arms of Greenwich Hospital: decorative detail in the Chapel. Image used courtesy of the Greenwich Foundation.



THE CHAPLAINCY

The Chaplain is responsible for worship in the Chapel and the pastoral care of all who come to the Old Royal Naval College to work, learn, and visit. Such support is available to everyone, regardless of tradition or background, and therefore takes different forms: as spiritual guidance, confidential counselling, and general hospitality.

The Chaplain is based at the Chapel office but is also available to meet around the site by appointment. Contact details are listed on the back of this booklet.

For more information www.ornc.org



THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

TRINITY LABAN

Sun 13 September *Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Stanford, *Beati quorum via*
Psalm: 112 Hymns: 294, 461 (t. CP 598i), 364 (t. 271)
Mass: Vierne, *Messe solennelle*
Anthem: Mawby, *Ave verum corpus*
Voluntary: Stanford, *Allegro* (Set 2, Op. 105, No. 6)

Mon 14 September *Holy Cross Day*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Stanford, *Beati quorum via*
Responses: Rose
Psalms: 110, 150 Hymn: 86 (omit *)
Canticles: Dyson, *Service in F*
Anthem: Lotti, *Crucifixus*

Wed 16 September *Ninian of Galloway, Apostle of the Picts*

13.05 Said Eucharist

Sun 20 September *Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Grier, *God who made the earth and sky*
Psalm: 145, vv 1-13 Hymns: 112, 401, 467
Mass: Schubert, *Mass in G*
Anthem: Brahms, *Geistliches Lied*
Voluntary: Brahms, *Prelude and fugue in A minor* (WoO 9)

Mon 21 September *Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Grier, *God who made the earth and sky*
Responses: Rose
Psalm: 119, vv 33-40, 89-96 Hymn: 189
Canticles: Wood, *Service in F*
Anthem: Duruflé, *Tu es Petrus*

Tue 22 September

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Marrianne Town Smith and Alice Usher, vocals; Panaretos Kyriatzidis, piano

Wed 23 September

13.05 Said Eucharist

Sun 27 September *Harvest Thanksgiving Sunday*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Cruft, *These hours*
 Psalm: 65 Hymns: 259, 262, 413
 Mass: Mozart, *Missa brevis in D*
 Anthem: Clemens non papa, *Ego flos campi*
 Voluntary: Bach, *Nun danket alle Gott* (BWV 657)

Mon 28 September *Eve of St Michael and All Angels*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Cruft, *These hours*
 Responses: Rose
 Psalm: 91 Hymn: 475
 Canticles: Stanford, *Service in A*
 Anthem: Haydn, *The heavens are telling*

Tue 29 September

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Equinox Brass ensemble

Wed 30 September *Jerome, Translator and Teacher*

15.00 BBC Choral Evensong

Congregation members must be seated by 14.45

Introit: Stanford, *Beati quorum via*
 Responses: Rose
 Psalms: 147, 148, 149, 150 Hymn: 263
 Canticles: Stanford, *Service in A*
 Anthem: Bruckner, *Os justi*
 Voluntary: Stanford, *Allegro* (Set 2, Op. 105, No. 6)

Fri 2 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Sun 4 October *Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity*

11.00 Choral Eucharist with Holy Baptism

Introit: Tallis, *O nata lux*
 Psalm: 80 Hymns: 499, 205, 375
 Mass: Palestrina, *Missa brevis*
 Anthem: Bruckner, *Os justi*
 Voluntary: Langlais, *Acclamations (Suite médiévale, No. 5)*

Mon 5 October

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Tallis, *O nata lux*
Responses: Morley
Psalm: 85 Hymn: 206
Canticles: Howells, *Collegium Regale*
Anthem: Sheppard, *Libera nos, salva nos II*

Tue 6 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Katerina Kolosok and Iryna Marchuk, violin; Ivanna Davydiuk, piano

Wed 7 October

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 9 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Sun 11 October *Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Ley, *A prayer of King Henry VI*
Psalm: 23 Hymns: 227 (t. 184), 485, 478
Mass: Dove, *Missa brevis*
Anthem: Palestrina, *Sicut cervus*
Voluntary: Leighton, *Festival Fanfare*

Mon 12 October *Wilfrid of Ripon, Bishop and Missionary*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Ley, *A prayer of King Henry VI*
Responses: Morley
Psalm: 98 Hymn: 407
Canticles: Byrd, *Second Service*
Anthem: Weelkes, *When David heard*

Tues 13 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Jacq Herbots, tenor

Wed 14 October

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 16 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Guitar Department

Sun 18 October *Trafalgar Sunday*

11.00 Choral Matins

Introit: Mozart, *God is our refuge and strength*
Responses: Morley
Psalm: 147 Hymns: 200, 498, 354
Canticles: Britten, *Te Deum & Jubilate Deo in C*
Anthem: Sumsion, *They that go down to the sea in ships*
Voluntary: Sumsion, *Ceremonial March*

Mon 19 October *Henry Martyn, Translator and Missionary*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Mozart, *God is our refuge and strength*
Responses: Allwood
Psalm: 103 Hymn: 324
Canticles: Sumsion, *Service in G*
Anthem: Bairstow, *Lord, thou hast been our refuge*

Tues 20 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Luca Grilli, double bass; Alice Beadle, violin; Martin Ash, viola

Wed 21 October

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 23 October

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Piano Department

Sun 25 October *Last Sunday after Trinity*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Purcell, *Remember not, Lord our offences*
Psalm: 1 Hymns: 460, 484 (t. 167), 377
Mass: Lassus, *Missa Bell' Amfitrit' altera*
Anthem: Tallis, *Verily I say unto you*
Voluntary: Bach, *Pièce d'orgue (BWV 572)*

Mon 26 October

17.30 Choral Evensong

N.B. This service will take place at St Alfege Church, Greenwich

Introit: Purcell, *Remember not, Lord, our offences*
Responses: Allwood
Psalm: 7 Hymn: 278 (A&M)
Canticles: Purcell, *Service in G minor*
Anthem: Rutter, *A Gaelic blessing*

Sun 1 November *All Saints' Sunday*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Victoria, *O quam gloriosum*
Psalm: 34, vv 1-11 Hymns: 225i, 231, 197
Mass: Langlais, *Messe solennelle*
Anthem: Stanford, *Justorum animae*
Voluntary: Boëllmann, *Toccata (Suite Gothique)*

Mon 2 November *All Souls' Day*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Victoria, *O quam gloriosum*
Responses: Allwood
Psalm: 92 Hymn: 331
Canticles: Tallis, *Dorian Service*
Anthem: Schubert, *Litanei auf das Fest alle Seelen*

Tues 3 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Carducci String Quartet

Wed 4 November

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 6 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Piano Department

Sun 8 November *Remembrance Sunday*

10.50 Choral Eucharist with Observance

Introit: Fauré, *Requiem*
Psalm: 70 Hymns: 417, 334, 490
Mass: Fauré, *Requiem*
Anthem: Harris, *Bring us, O Lord God*
Voluntary: Elgar, arr. Grace, *Solemn prelude, in memoriam*

Mon 9 November *Margery Kempe, Mystic*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Kendrick, *God be in my head*
Responses: Harper (based on Purcell)
Psalm: 49 Hymn: 414
Canticles: Leighton, *Magdalen Service*
Anthem: Rachmaninov, *Bogoroditse Devo*

Tues 10 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Wed 11 November *Martin, Bishop of Tours*

10.50 Remembrance Day Observance

held at the Water Gate, Lower Grand Square

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 13 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Sun 15 November *Second Sunday before Advent*

11.00 Choral Eucharist with Holy Baptism

Introit: Farrant, *Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord*
Psalm: 90, vv 1-12 Hymns: 232, 449, 466
Mass: Mozart, *Spatzenmesse*
Anthem: Byrd, *Ave verum corpus*
Voluntary: Bach, *Prelude in C minor (BWV 564i)*

Mon 16 November *Margaret of Scotland, Queen and Reformer*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Farrant, *Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord*
Responses: Harper (based on Purcell)
Psalm: 71 Hymn: 339
Canticles: Weelkes, *Service for Trebles*
Anthem: Britten, *Hymn to St Cecilia*

Tues 17 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Wed 18 November *Elizabeth of Hungary, Princess and Philanthropist*

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 20 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Piano Department

Sun 22 November *Christ the King*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Tavener, *O do not move*

Psalm: 95, vv 1-7 Hymns: 134, 352, 443

Mass: Byrd, *Mass for four voices*

Anthem: Bruckner, *Ecce sacerdos magnus*

Voluntary: Langlais, *Hymne d'action de grâces 'Te Deum'*

Mon 23 November *Clement, Bishop and Martyr*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Tavener, *O do not move*

Responses: Harper (based on Purcell)

Psalm: 81 Hymn: 486

Canticles: Stanford, *Service in C*

Anthem: Purcell, *Rejoice in the Lord alway*

Tues 24 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Chamber Musicians

Wed 25 November *Catherine of Alexandria, Martyr*

13.05 Said Eucharist

Fri 27 November

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Trinity Laban Harp Department

Sun 29 November *First Sunday of Advent*

11.00 Choral Matins

Introit: Sheppard, *Libera nos, salva nos I*

Responses: Knight

Psalm: 149 Hymns: 18, 11, 9

Canticles: Stanford, *Service in B flat*

Anthem: Byrd, *Ne irascaris, Domine*

Voluntary: Baker, *Ricercar on "Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland"*

Mon 30 November *Andrew the Apostle*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Sheppard, *Libera nos, salva nos I*
 Responses: Knight
 Psalm: 96 Hymn: 353
 Canticles: Weelkes, *Sixth Service*
 Anthem: Tavener, *A hymn to the Mother of God*

Tues | December

13.05 Concert Series with Trinity Laban

Linos Piano Trio

Wed 2 December

13.05 Said Eucharist

Sun 6 December *Second Sunday of Advent*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Dowland, *My spirit longs for thee*
 Psalm: 85 Hymns: 5, 55, 7
 Mass: Poulenc, *Mass in G*
 Anthem: Duruflé, *Tantum ergo*
 Voluntary: Dupré, *Le monde dans l'attente du Sauveur*

18.30 Choir Concert

The Chapel Choir will perform portions of *The Messiah* by G.F. Handel

Mon 7 December *Ambrose of Milan, Bishop and Teacher*

17.30 Choral Evensong

Introit: Dowland, *My spirit longs for thee*
 Responses: Knight
 Psalm: 144 Hymn: 500
 Canticles: Murrill, *Service in E*
 Anthem: Handel, *O thou that tellest good tidings to Zion*

Sun 13 December *Third Sunday of Advent*

11.00 Choral Eucharist

Introit: Tallis, arr. Kendrick, *Thou wast, O God*
 Psalm: Gibbons, *Magnificat* Hymns: 6, 12, 495
 Mass: Victoria, *Missa pro Victoria*
 Anthem: Handel, *And the glory of the Lord*
 Voluntary: Buxtehude, *Christ, unser Herr, zum Jordan kam* (BuxVW 180)

18.00 Carol Service

Mon 14 December *John of the Cross, Poet and Teacher*
18.00 Carol Service

Choral services will resume on Sunday, 3 January 2027.

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How to get here

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By Docklands Light Railway (DLR): to Cutty Sark for Maritime Greenwich.

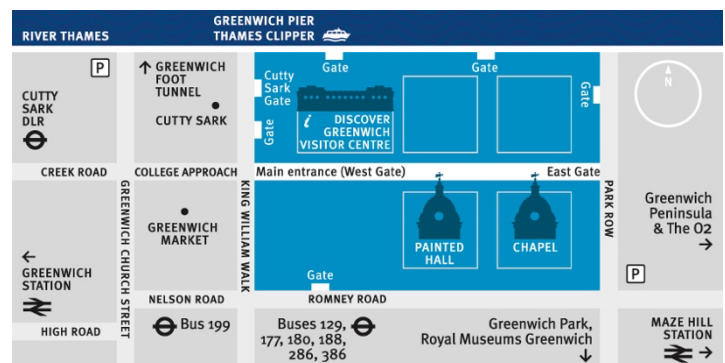
By underground: take the Jubilee Line to Canary Wharf and change there for the DLR to Cutty Sark for Maritime Greenwich.

By rail: from Charing Cross, Waterloo East, Cannon Street, London Bridge and Dartford to Greenwich.

By river: regular riverboat services leave from Westminster, Embankment and Tower Piers to Greenwich. Thames Clippers runs an express service every 20 minutes.

By bus: buses 129, 177, 188, 199, 286 and 386 pass near the ORNC.

The Old Royal Naval College is in the care of the Greenwich Foundation, a charity the purpose of which is to conserve and care for the buildings for current and future generations to enjoy.



Opening times

Discover Greenwich Visitor Centre, Painted Hall and Chapel

Open 10.00 – 17.00 Mon to Sun (the Chapel welcomes the congregation at 11.00 on Sunday for the service)

Grounds open daily 08.00 – 18.00. Cutty Sark Gate open 08.00 – 23.00 Mon to Sat, and 08.00 – 22.30 Sun.

Access

The ORNC is a scheduled ancient monument and Grade I listed, but we aim to make the Chapel accessible to as many people as possible. To ensure access to the lift, please phone 020 8269 4788 or email drobson@ornc.org before your visit. With prior notice, we can have trained staff available to help.

