The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn



CHAPEL CALENDAR HILARY 2021



Treasurer

The Rt Hon Lord Justice David Richards

Dean of the Chapel

The Rt Hon Lord Briggs of Westbourne

Preacher

The Venerable Sheila Watson

Hilary Term and Happiness

Welcome to Chapel, actual and online, for this Hilary Term, which takes its name from Hilary of Poitiers, a Bishop in the 4th Century. His name comes from the Latin for happy or cheerful – encompassing the underlying hope in the Christian gospel still so needed amidst the continuing pandemic. Looking back to the 16th Century when the Inn's Black Books, remind us of the effects of another pandemic – the great plagues of the seventeenth century - then, as now, the Inn adapted amidst lives turned upside down and required periods of closure. Then, as now, the Christian message of hope amidst adversity; the belief that ultimately love and God can lead us through our fears and anxieties; the message of love thy neighbour has more importance than ever.

As term begins, our original plans for Sunday 11.30am Chapel services, albeit with social distancing and with a smaller choir, need to go on hold. The nature of our dispersed community means that with the new variant of the virus and lockdown announced, Chapel moves to **Chapel Online until half term**.

There will be special events for Palm Sunday; and on March 21st for our celebration of John Donne, the 17th century poet, student and then the Preacher of Lincoln's Inn, with Dr Katrin Ettenhuber: while, our first Sunday of term marks the beginning of the Treasurer's second year. Chapel Online will offer the Donne service and an online Evensong (via zoom). Do also look out for the special Lent leaflet, as Lent begins with Ash Wednesday, February 17th.

The Chapel lies at the spiritual heart of the Inn. It is a significant renaissance building with some rare Flemish stained glass as well as family memories in the Treasurers' shields. In the vestibule is a portrait of John Donne. His well-known lines, 'never send to know for whom the bell tolls: it tolls for thee', were inspired by his Christian faith and by the bell of the old chapel. The bell still tolls today – for services and to mark the death of a Bencher. Each time it reminds us of Donne's words: 'No man is an island entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, part pf the main.any man's death diminishes me. It is the African insight, Ubuntu, that my life is inextricably bound with yours – 'I am because we are'. We need each other now more than ever.

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HILARY TERM SERVICES and SPECIAL EVENTS

SUNDAY SERVICES are at 11.30am (using the Book of Common Prayer and sung). In lockdown these are ONLINE. This will be reviewed at half term. See the Chapel Calendar at the back of this leaflet and the website. These will be updated online in the case of any regulatory changes (https://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/about-us/chapel/).

(Whilst the pandemic continues, when we are back in Chapel, places for services should be booked in advance via the Chapel Clerk (chapelclerk@lincolnsinn.org.uk). This applies to ALL SERVICES.)

SPECIAL SERVICES:

Lent begins on ASH WEDNESDAY

17th February: Said Holy Communion at 1.05pm.

JOHN DONNE SUNDAY:

Sunday 21st March, with Dr Katrin Ettenhuber of Pembroke College Cambridge (editor of Donne's sermons preached at Lincoln's Inn): an opportunity to learn more about John Donne former student and then Preacher of Lincoln's Inn, Dean of St Paul's and metaphysical poet.



CHAPEL ONLINE

Video for:

JOHN DONNE SERVICE 21st March with Dr Katrin Ettenhuber.

Video excerpts from: January 17th, marking the Treasurer's second year; and January 31st marking Candlemas.



With the *lockdown* for the first half of term, the 11.30am BCP service of Morning Prayer is online via Zoom.

EVENSONG 5pm via Zoom (in the second half of term, if we are back in Chapel): February 17 and 28; March 28

Details of how to join via zoom and access videos are available via the website (https://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/about-us/chapel/chapelonline) or by contacting the Chapel Clerk (chapelclerk@lincolnsinn.org.uk).

HILARY TERM CALENDAR

JANUARY

17 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: online: zoom

2nd after Epiphany

24 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: online: zoom

3rd after Epiphany

31 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: online: zoom

Candlemas

FEBRUARY

7 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: online: zoom

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Half Term

The programme will then be reviewed and we hope that services thereafter may be in Chapel where possible – please check website (https://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/about-us/chapel/).

17 Wednesday 1.05 pm Said Holy Communion Ash Wednesday 5.00 pm Evensong (online: zoom)

Lent: see separate leaflet

21 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: The Preacher

1st in Lent

28 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: The Preacher

2nd in Lent 5.00 pm Evensong (online: zoom)

MARCH

7 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: The Preacher

3rd in Lent

14 Sunday: 11.30 am Choral Matins: The Preacher

Mothering Sunday

21 Sunday: 11.30 am John Donne

5th in Lent: Passion Sunday

28 Sunday: 11.30 am Sung Eucharist, blessing of

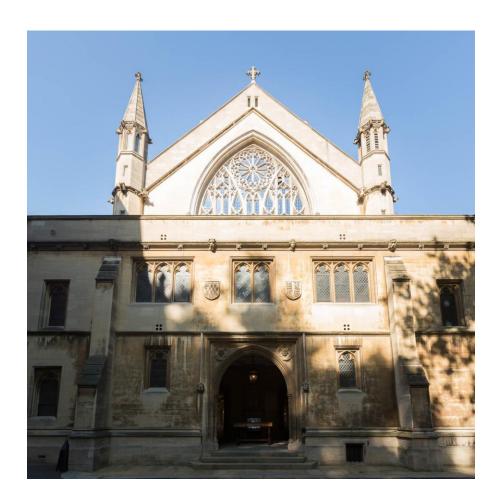
Palm Sunday palms and dramatic reading of the

Passion

5.00 pm Evensong (online: zoom)



Sunday services will resume on 18 April 2020 with Choral Matins at 11.30 am.



For further information visit: www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/about-us/chapel/