



The Honourable Society of  
Lincoln's Inn  
Chapel

# LENT 2026

## at Lincoln's Inn Chapel



### SUNDAYS AT 11:30

22 February  
1<sup>st</sup> in Lent

**Choral Matins & Sermon:**  
*Charles de Foucauld: Prayer and Sacrifice*

\*1 March  
2<sup>nd</sup> in Lent

**John Donne Service: "John Donne's Commemorations"**  
*preached for his patron Magdalen Herbert, mother of George Herbert*  
*Address by Professor Philip West (Somerville College, Oxford)*

8 March  
3<sup>rd</sup> in Lent

**Choral Matins & Sermon:**  
*Alphege: Mediaeval Statesman and Martyr*

15 March  
4<sup>th</sup> in Lent

**Choral Matins & Sermon:**  
*Mothering Sunday*

22 March  
*Passion Sunday*

**Choral Matins & Sermon:**  
*The Melanesian Brotherhood: Millennial Martyrs for Peace*

\*29 March  
*Palm Sunday*

**Sung Eucharist**  
*with Blessing of Palms & Dramatic Reading of the Passion*

*Sundays marked \* are followed by Lunch in Hall. See overleaf for more details.*

### WEDNESDAYS AT 13:00 & 17:00



**ASH WEDNESDAY: 18 February**

Services with Imposition of Ashes  
13:00 – Said Holy Communion; 17:30 – Sung Eucharist

### A FOCUS ON ESSENTIALS

*A Series of Half Hour Lunchtime & Evening Discussions*

*13:00–13:30 in Chapel; 17:30–18:00 online via Zoom*

25 February – Why Christianity? 4 March – God as Creator and Sustainer  
11 March – God in Jesus 18 March – God as Spirit

*Come and join us in this time of preparation for Lent or Confirmation starter.  
More information on preparing for Confirmation overleaf.*

## JOHN DONNE SERVICE & ADDRESS:

### “John Donne’s Commemorations”

Sunday 1 March | 11:30 | followed by Drinks Reception & Lunch

Our 2026 John Donne Address will be given by **Professor Philip West**, Associate Professor and Tutor at Somerville College, Oxford. The service is followed by a Drinks Reception and Lunch in Hall. His Address will be based on *Commemorations*, a sermon preached for his patron Magdalen Herbert, mother of the priest-poet George Herbert. *The final deadline*

*for booking into this lunch is Monday 23 February at 10:00. Bookings should be made via the Members’ Portal. If you are not a Member of the Inn, please be in touch via [chapelclerk@lincolnsinn.org.uk](mailto:chapelclerk@lincolnsinn.org.uk) to enquire about joining our Chapel Associates List.*



## PALM SUNDAY SUNG EUCHARIST *with*

### BLESSING OF PALMS & DRAMATIC READING OF THE PASSION

Sunday 29 March | 11:30 | followed by Drinks Reception & Lunch



On **Palm Sunday** we will celebrate our usual Sung Eucharist with the Blessing of Palms and Dramatic Reading of the Passion Gospel. Followed by a drinks reception and Lunch. *The final deadline for booking into this lunch is Monday 23 March at 10:00 (but ideally by Wednesday 18 March). See above for booking details.*

## THINKING ABOUT CONFIRMATION?

### Confirmation – from Common Practice to Rarity

*The Preacher writes:* For those baptised in infancy, Confirmation (confirming the baptismal promises for yourself and being admitted to Holy Communion) was once common practice. Over recent decades as church attendance has changed, so has being confirmed, with the result that many people attend as adults but have not been confirmed. Sometimes people then become uncertain about pursuing it. This May we have a Confirmation at the Inn as part of the **Ascension Day** service (**Thursday 14 May at 17:30**). If you are interested in exploring this or joining a small group as a refresher, the Lent group is a starter. Feel free to be in touch with me via email at [sheila.watson@lincolnsinn.org.uk](mailto:sheila.watson@lincolnsinn.org.uk): I am very happy to discuss things. *Sheila.*