Christmas Menu

29th November 2021 to 6th January 2022
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The Hall

Viewed by some as the most magnificent Hall within the Colleges of Cambridge, this splendid room is housed in a 16th century building with an impressive hammerbeam roof and fine old linen fold panelling. It is ideal for large receptions, sit down lunches, dinners, wedding parties, buffets or other events.

The Hall can seat up to 280 in comfort and we can cater up to a maximum of 300 for receptions and stand up buffets. In the warmer months the backs may be used for drink receptions prior to your lunch or dinner.

The Wordsworth Room

This attractive 450 year old room was where William Wordsworth lived when he was an undergraduate in the 1780’s and he described the room in his autobiographical poem, “The Prelude”.

The room is ideally suited for functions between 20 and 50 people sitting down, or up to 60 for stand up buffets or receptions.

It has its own adjacent cloakroom attached.

The Parsons Room

Steeped in history, this room is named after Charles Parsons, the well-known engineer. Its intimate setting lends itself for smaller dinner parties, seating up to 16 people or a maximum of 20 for buffets or receptions.

Old Music Room

Situated in First Court, the Old Music Room, which originally was a teaching room for the students, is the ideal venue for drinks and canape receptions and stand up finger buffets for up to 60 guests.
The minimum numbers for Dining are 10. This is the minimum charge.

All staff have been fully trained in Allergy Management and we have an allergy audit every year. If you have queries on allergies or any other dietary needs, please let a member of staff know when booking/organising your event.

We do have an Allergy Policy (updated in June 2020). We were awarded Allergen Accreditation in September 2017, which is nationally recognised. This was updated in the summer of 2021.

We carry out Food Safety Training for all staff and staff attend various courses throughout the year at different levels of food safety. We also have an external Food Safety Audit team, who visit the College twice a year.

We were awarded 2 stars by the Sustainable Restaurants Association in 2015. This was for our food sourcing policy, staff welfare, training, and the protection of the environment. We also completed the SRA (Food Made Good) case study at the end of 2015 and attended the award ceremony in London in March 2016.

We have both a Sustainable Food Policy and Food Waste Policy. We only use plant based disposables (when required) and these are then washed after use and go off to become soil enricher. We have a Sustainable poster on the catering website. All our cleaning materials are made out of plants.

We achieved Gold in March 2018 for the “Cambridge Sustainable Food for Business” award. We also prepared a case study for them in January 2019.

Two of our staff have won Apprentice Chef of the Year in the last ten years at Westminster Kingsway College, London.

We are active members of Meet Cambridge and Cambridge Chamber of Commerce.

We also work closely with TUCO (The University Catering Organisation) and Visit England.

We sit on various committees, both in Cambridge and UK wide, on issues such as sustainability, purchasing, training, policy standards and sharing best practice, within hospitality.

During the summer months (July - September), we operate an advanced booking system for Bed and Breakfast accommodation. You can book via the St John’s College website, (in Hospitality, then Bed and Breakfast) or via Speedybookers. Room availability is normally uploaded onto our website in November, for the following year.

Please ensure to book your pre lunch/dinner reception or you can use the College bar. Please ask at the time of booking.

During August 2021 to September 2022 we will be undergoing a major refurbishment of our College Bar, Buttery Dining Room and Coffee Shop. These two areas will be relocated in the temporary structure located in 1st Court.
The following canapés are ideally suited to have with pre-luncheon or pre-dinner drinks. When booking a function please enquire about making use of the College grounds in which to hold your pre-luncheon or pre-dinner reception. Some canapés are served warm.

(a) A selection of meat, fish and vegetarian canapés
(three canapés per cover) see list below

(b) A selection of meat, fish and vegetarian canapés
(six canapés per cover) see list below

**Cold Canapés**

Mini Classic Prawn Cocktail served in a Chinese Soup Spoon
Thai Style Beef Salad in Rice Paper Rolls
Ratatouille Tart topped with Chervil (v) (vegan)
Chilled Spiced Chickpea Soup with Avocado Salsa (v) (vegan)
(in shot glasses)
Ogen Melon with Italian Cured Ham
Cherry Tomatoes filled with Goats Cheese and garnished with Chives (v)
Rye Bread topped with Ikra (v)
(Russian Aubergine Salad)
Buckwheat Blinis with Beetroot Tahini
Pumpernickel topped with Pinney’s of Orford Smoked Scottish Salmon
Smoked Coppa from Tempus Charcuterie based in Norfolk with Pineapple Salsa on Wheat Wafers
Silver Beet Rolls filled with Chickpeas, Chillies and Coriander (v) (vegan) (df)
Toasted Granary Bread topped with Smoked Duck and Onion Marmalade

**Warm Canapés**

Aged Cheddar Cheese Straws
Kimchi Pancakes with Black Garlic Crème Fraîche
Arepas with Chilli topped with Sour Cream and Coriander
(South American Corn Cakes, mainly from Columbia. Using a yellow precooked flour called masarepa)
Pumpkin Kibbeh (vegan) (v)
Borek with Feta, Greens and Dark Molasses Tahini
Tandoori Chicken Rolls (GF)
Mandalay Kidney Bean Fritters, with Chilli Sauce (shallot, kidney bean, ginger, rice flour, paprika)
Stilton Fritters (v)
Mini Vol-au-Vent of grilled Chimichurri Mushrooms topped with Halloumi (v)
Chilli Cheese Samosa (v)
Aubergine and Feta Kofte (vegan) (v)

When booking, please ask about allergen ingredients that may be contained in any of the canapés

(v) = Vegetarian    (gf) = Gluten Free    (df) = Dairy Free
Stand Up Finger Buffets

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(a)

Parsley and Feta Pogaca (mini pies) from Turkey (v)
Mini Turmeric Fish Balls with Sunflower Seeds
Assorted Vegetarian Sushi and Soy Sauce (v) vegan
Vietnamese Spring Rolls in Rice Peper with Chilli, Garlic, Pak Choi, Vermicelli Noodles vegan
Thai Red Curry Scotch Eggs
St John’s Sausage Rolls
Stilton Croquettes with Walnut and Celery Mayonnaise Dip (v) (contains nuts)
Ratatouille Samosas (v)
Mini Black Pudding, Apple and Bacon Pies
Butternut Cashew Popiah (Spring Roll) (v)
Lincolnshire Beef and Spring Onion Momos with a Fiery Tomato Chutney

Mini Salted Caramel Éclairs

(b)

Cauliflower Pakora with Carrot Raita (v)
Crispy Chicken Spring Rolls with Mustard and Ginger Dipping Sauce
Newmarket Sausages on Sticks with Tomato Relish
Vietnamese Spring Rolls in Rice Peper with Chilli, Garlic, Pak Choi, Vermicelli Noodles vegan
Baked Date Harissa Couscous (v)
Baked Mini Peppers filled with Spiced Tofu (v) vegan
Aged Cheddar Cheese Straws (v)
Ogen Melon with Air Dried Ham
Crudities of Peeled Celery, Carrot and Cucumber with Hummus (v)
Lamb and Pine Nut Fatayer
Mini Spicy Potato and Mango Chutney Chapati Wraps (v)

Glazed Seasonal Fruit Tartlets filled with Crème Pâtissière

(v) = Vegetarian
Skagen Fish Soup  
a classic fish soup from Northern Denmark

Vegetable Broth (v)  
with parmesan dumplings and charred lemon salsa

Chestnut Cappuccino (v)  
with dried figs

French Onion Soup  
with glazed aged cheddar croûte

Coriander, Coconut and Daikon Noodle Soup (vegan)  
with sweet potato crisps, tamari maple mushrooms, coriander and lime wedges

(v) = Vegetarian
Starters

**Starters**

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**Pinney’s of Orford Wester Ross Smoked Scottish Salmon**

- with warm millet, avocado and parsley
- rocket and watercress leaves tossed in olive oil and unwaxed lemon

**Warm East Anglian Duck Salad**

- sliced with puy lentils and small tenderstem broccoli
- salad of watercress, spring onion, Chinese leaf and raspberry vinegar

**Beetroot and Mini Feta Cheesecake**

- with a tomato, red onion and green mango relish, dressed green beans and shallot salad

**Ham Hock Terrine**

- with pineapple relish, red oakleaf and tossed with flat leaf parsley,
  - coriander seeds, fresh thyme, gherkins, chicory salad, coriander oil

**Crispy Spiced Duckling**

- Turkish style, with pomegranate molasses, pear, honey
- A salad of radicchio, walnuts, dill, olive and large grain couscous, pomegranate seeds
Lobster Shepherd’s Pie *
A College Signature dish
spinach, mushrooms and lobster topped with creamy potatoes and served with lobster sauce

North Sea Cod
on wilted spinach, with a mornay sauce

Poached Lemon Sole Duglere
Layers of salmon and sole with white wine, shallot, diced tomato and parsley sauce

Baked Scottish Salmon and Lemon Sole en Croûte
layers of salmon and sole, wrapped in spinach and puff pastry with tarragon butter sauce

Pan Fried Halibut Fillet “Veronique” **
with a white wine cream sauce and peeled green grapes

* £1.50 supplement per person
** £2.50 supplement per person
Alcoholic

Champagne Sorbet

Madame Butterfly
(Not an actual sorbet but a spicy refreshing drink from Asia. Similar to a Bloody Mary)

Non-Alcoholic

Faludeh
(rice noodle and rose water sorbet)

Citrus and Black Pepper Sorbet

Raspberry Sorbet

White Chocolate Sorbet

Passion Fruit Sorbet

Green Tea Frozen Yoghurt

Lemon Sorbet

Rhubarb and Blood Orange Granita

Savoury (interlude)

Gazpacho Sorbet with Lime

Tamarind Cooler

Watermelon Rind Mostarda

Turmeric and Black Pepper Smoothie
(not a sorbet)

Cashew Gazacho
(a salad smoothie, tomato, cucumber, unsalted cashew nuts, spring onions, clove of garlic, garnished with edible flowers)
(contains cashew nuts)

All the above sweet sorbets are garnished with mint
Selection of traditional Roasted meats to be chosen from:

Roast Essex Turkey
award winning turkey with Newmarket sausages,
with a celeriac and prune stuffing
cranberry sauce and turkey jus

Roast Rib of Lincolnshire Beef **
served with Yorkshire pudding, beef gravy and a
horseradish crème fraîche

Venison Wellington **
venison wrapped in spinach, pâté and puff pastry and baked
until golden brown. Served with a Grand Vaneur sauce

Roast Pheasant Supreme
with game chips, bread sauce, chapelure and pheasant jus

Roast Loin of Suffolk Pork, Guinness and Honey Glazed
with caramel apple slices and guinness and pork jus

** £4.20 supplement per person
Grilled Lincolnshire Beef Fillet **
with a red wine sauce and bon bons of beef cheeks
and kimchi rosti

Roast Free Range Guinea Fowl Supreme
on an apple and Jerusalem artichoke rosti, with a
casserole of wild mushrooms and vin jaune jus

Roasted Chicken Supreme with Crispy Skin
with dripping bread, parsley salsa and chicken jus

Pan-Fried Local Venison Fillets **
black pudding fritters with venison and redcurrent jelly jus

Glazed East Anglian Duck Supreme with Honey
with prunes, creamed celeriac, barley and duck jus

** £4.20 supplement per person
For Soups please see Soup Section

Smoked Tofu, Mushroom and Almond Kheema
spices, mushroom, onion, garlic, mint, coriander
served with red onion, lime wedges, mustard, oil and fried bread rolls
(contains almonds)

Date and Feta Salad
with a dressing of mint, date syrup, balsamic vinger and extra virgin olive oil
(contains hazelnuts)

Butter Bean Terrine
with a mixed mushroom salad and aged parmesan vinaigrette

Avocado and Roasted Pepper Tian (vegan)
with cashew nut cream, lemon dressing
(contains cashew nuts)

Roasted Celeriac (vegan)
with mung beans, forestiere fricase and tarragon oil
Vegetarian & Vegan Main Courses

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Celeriac and Lancashire Cheese Pithivier
served hot with a roasted pepper sauce,
and a shallot and cauliflower piccalilli

Aubergine Wellington
layered aubergines, wrapped in spinach and puff pastry,
served with spiced tomato and puy lentil sauce

Mushroom Kedgeree
with truffle oil, plain yoghurt and fried mint poppadoms

Barbacoa Roast Cauliflower
with brown rice, toasted almonds, chilli, cinnamon, garlic, sour cream and lime
(Barbacoa is a celebration dish from central Mexico)
(This dish can also be vegan) (contains almonds)

Quinoa Keftas and Vegetable Tagine
cauliflower and quinoa keftas with a carrot,
mushroom, celery, tomato, cumin
St John’s Christmas Pudding
rich steamed traditional Christmas pudding,
flamed and served with a brandy sauce
(Home-made Vegan Christmas Pudding available)

Water Pudding
a College signature dish
served with Japanese salted ice cream, a honey tuile
biscuit and winter berries

Clementine and Yoghurt Panna Cotta
with clementine syrup and confit of date ice cream

Sticky Toffee Pudding
with toffee sauce, vanilla ice cream and date tagine

Milk Chocolate and Fig Dacquois
milk chocolate ganache, fig iced parfait croustillant feuilletice praline,
Dacquoits sponge, garnished with fresh figs, chocolate sauce and toasted hazelnuts
(contains almonds and hazelnuts)
Pot Sticker with Black Vinegar
friyed dumpling (Vietnamese street food)

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Scotch Woodcock (a classic savoury)
scrambled eggs on toast with anchovies and capers

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Canapés Saint-Antoine
oblong buttered toast topped with Roquefort cheese mixed with a little butter and red pepper. Grilled and topped with a grilled rasher of bacon

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Artisan Farmhouse British and Irish Cheeses
3 Artisan Farmhouse Cheeses with peeled celery, grapes, wheat wafer biscuits and dessert bowl
These are the best Artisan cheeses that are matured for Christmas

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Warm Almond Milk
with christmas spices

Items below included in the Lunch or Dinner Menu

Mince Pies

OR

Citrus, Honey and Almond Lebkuchen
lightly glazed with orange and honey icing, served with almond, honey, mixed spice and clove biscuits.
**Starter**

Cream of Tomato Soup

Grape, Carrot, Mushroom, Cabbage Spring Roll
*with a tomato/mayonnaise dip*

Chilled Melon Coctail

**Main Course**

Powter’s Newmarket Sausages
*grilled with creamed potatoes, and seasonal vegetables*

Homemade Salmon Fish Fingers
*with buttered peas and chunky chips*

Chicken Schnitzel
*with coleslaw and tomato ketchup*

**Vegetarian**

Chow Mein
*carrot, spring onion, green beans, pea, mushrooms and broccoli*

Caramelised Fennel and Courgette Buckwheat Pizza (vegan)

**Desserts**

Fresh Fruit Salad
*with pouring cream*

Steamed Chocolate Pudding
*with vanilla ice cream*

Fresh Fruits Sundae
*fresh fruit, two ice creams and sauce*

Winter Fruit Trifle
*winter fruits, sponge and jelly, topped with silky custard*
Organiser’s Name: ___________________________ Host/Contact Name on the Evening: ___________________________

Company Name: ___________________________ Host/Contact Telephone No: ___________________________

Company Address: ____________________________________________________________

Telephone: ___________________________ Email Address: ___________________________

Date of Function: ___________________________ Likely Numbers to Attend: ___________________________

Event that you are Booking: ______________________________________________________

Reception Start Time: ___________________________ Finish Time: ___________________________ Meal Start Time: ___________________________ Finish Time: ___________________________

Name(s) of Keynote Speaker(s) ______________________________________________________

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OTHER DIETARY REQUIREMENTS:

Printed place cards required: Yes / No Please see tariff

I confirm that I have read and understood the booking terms and conditions.

Signed: ___________________________ Date: ___________________________

Notes:

• This form should be completed and returned at least three weeks prior to the function.
• Final numbers must be confirmed in writing at least three full working days prior to the function.
• Additional requirements such as table plans, place cards, special flower displays, VIP guests etc. should be discussed and agreed separately with a member of the Catering Department.

Please ensure that you read the Booking Terms and Conditions.
1. All functions must be confirmed by us in writing (which includes email). The contract is between us and you/the named organisation and not any other person or organisation for whom you may be booking. Once confirmed by us the booking is a legal contract between yourself and us. We will send you a function sheet once you return the booking form.

2. Details of menus, wine selections, special dietary requirements and other information relating to a function, must be indicated on the attached booking form. Once completed, this form should be sent to the Catering Office at least three weeks before the date of the function.

3. Please discuss your access requirements with us in advance of your booking so we can assist with catering for your party's specific needs.

4. Final numbers must be confirmed in writing at least three full working days prior to the function. Accounts will be based upon the final number or the attendance figure, whichever is the greater.

5. A choice of menus cannot be provided except to cater for dietary or allergy requirements.

6. All prices indicated provide for dinners to commence up to 20:00 and finish by 23:00. An additional surcharge will apply if the dinner commences after 20:00. Please see Tariff.

7. All prices indicated include flower posy bowls on the tables (which are not to be taken away) and typed menus. Place cards can be printed by us at an additional charge or you may provide your own. You will need to inform us of this in advance.

8. Preparing formal table plans is your responsibility. However, we need to view plans at least one week before the function or we will set up the venue as we think appropriate in our professional judgement.

9. All accounts are subject to the prevailing VAT rate, unless your organisation qualifies for exemption and confirms that exemption to the College in writing prior to the event. In this instance you will need to provide us with a completed VAT pro-forma, which we will provide.

10. Payment terms are 30 days from the date of invoice. If the payment has not been made within 30 days interest will be charged at the base rate plus 5%.

11. If you are more than 30 days in arrears of payment for a previous event held at the College, the booking may be cancelled.

12. The College does not exclude or limit its liability for death or personal injury arising from the negligence of the College, fraud or fraudulent misrepresentation or otherwise insofar as exclusion or limitation is prohibited, void or unenforceable by law.

13. The organisation making the booking shall indemnify the College against damage to College property caused by those attending the function.

14. The College shall not be held liable for circumstances beyond its reasonable control which may prevent us from meeting our obligations in respect of the booking. Should we need to make any amendments to your booking we reserve the right to offer alternative facilities at our discretion or cancel the booking. In the event of cancellation, the College’s sole liability shall be to refund to you any money paid in advance towards the booking. This will cover all pandemics.

15. We reserve the right to cancel the booking without notice if; (a) in our opinion, the booking might prejudice our reputation; (b) you are in breach of these terms and conditions.

16. Smoking is prohibited in all buildings across the College.

17. The term ‘College’ shall include St John’s College and its wholly owned subsidiary company, St John’s Enterprises Limited.

18. We and you agree that no person who is not a party to this agreement shall have the benefit or be capable of enforcing any term of this agreement.

19. These terms and conditions are subject to our Code of Practice on Freedom of Speech and such legislation as from time to time may apply. You must notify us if there are any material changes to your booking in order that we may consider these in accordance with the code and any relevant legislation.

20. Wedding or Birthday Cakes can be brought in, but only if a full list of ingredients that is in the cake is provided to the Catering Department Office at least one week before the event.

21. Changing seating throughout the meal is not allowed until coffee stage. This is to take into account of those dining with dietary and allergy requirements.

### Cancellation Charges

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Stated upon original confirmation booking form. (i.e. the above tariffs will be applied to the number below 90% of the original booking).

The cancellation charge will not include drinks, unless specifically purchased for the event.

All other variations will be charged at the agreed rates.

The price you will be charged will be our current tariff.

For further information please contact the Catering Office on 01223 338615 or email: catering@joh.cam.ac.uk
The following does not include service or VAT. There is no additional charge for the hire of Dining Rooms, except for drinks receptions (if no food is required). **The minimum number charged for dining is 10 guests.**

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| Artisan Cheeses from the British Isles,          | £7.59 per cover         |
| including Biscuits, Celery and Dessert Bowl      |                         |

The cheese can be tailored to a specific region if required and that region produces cheese within the UK and Ireland.

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| Late Service Charge                             | £5.40 per person                                  |
| For dinners commencing at 20:00 or after. This includes speeches |

| Corkage Charge                                   | £13.50 per bottle                                |
| Inclusive of VAT at the prevailing rate          | £26.00 per magnum                                |

| Drinks Receptions (if no food is required)       | £250.00 room hire charge                         |
| Old Music Room, Wordsworth Room, Parsons Room    | £350.00 room hire charge                         |
| Hall                                             |                                                 |

| Printed Place Cards                              | £2.40 per cover                                  |
| Non Printed Place Cards                          | £1.40 per cover                                  |

* Please see Booking Terms and Conditions.
* Where a price is not quoted on the quote, please assume a 3 course dinner price as the basis of the quote.