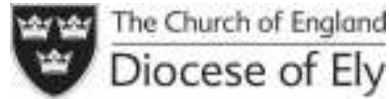


Fulbourn and the Wilbrahams



St Vigor's Fulbourn, St Nicholas' Great Wilbraham,
St John's Little Wilbraham, St George's Six Mile Bottom

Sunday 29th November: First Sunday of Advent, Year B

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility, that, on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.



'From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see things taking place, you know that he is near.' The Church that first heard Mark's gospel, and saw Nero's power come and go has a word for us today. Heaven and earth will pass away before Jesus' words will pass away. We don't know the day or hour, but we know that God is faithful. So don't panic. Once asked what he would do if he believed the world would end tomorrow, Martin Luther is said to have responded, 'I would plant a tree today.' We too can have the confidence to invest in the present; in the everyday and the ordinary, in the people and causes all around us. For we have God's promise in the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ that in time God will indeed draw all of God's creation not just to an end, but to a good end. So until that moment, love the ones you need to love; finish the work you started; kiss and make up; be faithful; undertake some small and wonderful and great endeavour. For Christ has come, Christ is coming, and Christ will come again, all in the name of love.

Notices and events

We continue to livestream communion at 11am on Sundays. We hope that you will watch and join in with our Sunday worship, and also join us for some of our 'Zoom' services. As always, do call or email us if you need pastoral support.

St Vigor's, St Nicholas', and St John's **will be open** for private prayer each day. Please take the relevant precautions when in the buildings, and let us know if you exhibit symptoms of Covid-19 after having been in any of the churches.

Our ordinands, Funmilayo and Graham, will be running an online **Advent course, 'Watching and Waiting Together'**. This will begin on Tuesday 1st December, at 2pm, and will be at the same time each week during Advent. You can join at this link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83212861688?pwd=aWVTRDRjUXJFaW4waWFURFQxUFJpQT09>.

Wednesday reflections will be led by Fr Miles and will be live on our Facebook page at 11.05am on Wednesdays (and will remain viewable once over).

Sunday morning Matins takes place on Zoom. The link for this is below.

Wee Worship (a short service using the Iona liturgy) is held on Zoom at **9am** on Wednesdays. The link for this is under 'services this week'.

Every year, we create **gift hampers** for people in the villages. We would greatly appreciate your donations of good quality food items (individual Christmas cakes and puddings, cheese straws, mince pies, jams, preserves) and other small gifts (mugs and Christmas socks, simple cook books, soaps). You can bring these along to St Vigor's on the day of the gift service (13th December). We ask that all food items be shop bought, rather than homemade, and with a best before date that falls after Christmas.

'Twelve' is closed in line with government guidelines. We will open again in December.

'Baby Dragons', our baby and toddler group, will not be running during November. You can see any news and videos on our Facebook page (search: 'Baby Dragons Fulbourn').

Services this week

Sunday 29th November

08:00 Matins on **Zoom**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82604494863?pwd=MnplRTAwa0pMN0pVVmQxSUxmK3Q3QT09#success> or meeting number 826 0449 4863 and passcode 819226

11:00 Holy Communion on **Facebook (live from Six Mile Bottom)**

Tuesday 1st December

09:00 Morning Prayer on **Zoom**

Wednesday 2nd December

09.00 Morning Prayer on **Zoom**

09.00 Wee Worship on **Zoom**

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/73720653330?pwd=NHVLM0NvZ0RWaGxqbFRFWEdGWUdZUT09> or use meeting number 737 2065 3330 and passcode z0SZrR

Thursday 3rd December

09.00 Morning Prayer on **Zoom**

Friday 4th December

09.00 Morning Prayer on **Zoom**

Readings this week

29 th November	6 th December
Isaiah 64:1-9	Isaiah 40:1-11
Psalms 80:1-8, 18-20	Psalms 85:1-2, 8-13
1 Corinthians 1:3-9	2 Peter 3:8-15a
Mark 13:24-end	Mark 1:1-8

Children's ministry

There will unfortunately be no Wednesday Church or Sunday School during November. Please see Rev Alice's weekly email for access to any activities we have created, or contact us if you are not subscribed to this.

Forthcoming services

Sunday 6th December (Second Sunday of Advent)

08:00 Matins on **Zoom**

11:00 Holy Communion on **Facebook**

(In-person worship may be allowed from this date – the team will meet soon to discuss, and Alice will update you via email)

Sunday 13th December (Third Sunday of Advent)

08:00 Matins on **Zoom**

11:00 'Gift Service' with Holy Communion on **Facebook**

Sunday 20th December (Fourth Sunday of Advent)

08:00 Matins on **Zoom**

11:00 Holy Communion on **Facebook**

16:00 Zoom Service of Lessons and Carols at: <https://rb.gy/fl7d7p>

Thursday 24th December

23:00 Midnight Mass at **LW**

23:00 Midnight Mass at **F**

Friday 25th December

09:30 Christmas Communion at **GW**

11:00 Christmas Communion at **F**

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Virus precautions

Keep 2m minimum distance from anyone you don't live with.

Take this sheet away with you and recycle it.

If you display symptoms of COVID 19 please contact us immediately so that the church can be closed.