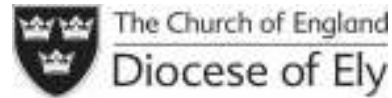


Fulbourn and the Wilbrahams



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

Sunday 1st August: 8th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who sent your Holy Spirit to be the life and light of your Church: open our hearts to the riches of your grace, that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit in love and joy and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



In this week's second helping of the bread of life chapter, Jesus begins to interpret his sign. Maybe Jesus realizes just how hard it will be to believe who he is and what he has to offer. Or maybe Jesus knows our nature all too well -- that we actively resist going down the road that leads to discomfort and uncertainty, that we ignore the signs in front of us, and that we are always quick to turn to others' interpretations of Jesus before we are willing to listen and be open to Jesus' own words about Himself. We are afraid of getting things wrong, of being rejected, of not being able to find our way back home. Jesus sees our fear. And so what has to be revealed is that Jesus, simply, offers himself. He offers a relationship with him and with God: the very meaning of believing: 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent,' (John 6:29). Here and now, before we get too far into the many levels and many meanings of the feeding of the 5,000, Jesus reminds us what the Word made flesh is all about. It's about being in a relationship with Jesus, and, even more, trusting in just what this relationship means.

Notices and events

Our Sunday Eucharist, and other major services are also streamed online and can be found at: <https://www.facebook.com/fulbournandthewilbrahams>.

Sunday morning Matins takes place on Zoom. The link for this is: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84010605262?pwd=Z3ZGWWRrS3Q4aHMwdjF2ZmUzUFBCQT09>, or meeting ID 840 1060 5262, passcode 333818. Let Alice know if you have trouble getting into the meeting. **No Matins on the 18th.**

Coffee and Chat at St Nicholas's is back at **St Nicholas's!** 10.30 on Wednesdays in August, with cake and coffee. Children welcome—a children's activity will be provided Please let Yin-An know if you can lend a hand or bring cakes—or just turn up earlier, at 10.15.

St John's will be closed to visitors from 5 July until the middle of November for essential repair works. **DURING THIS PERIOD SERVICES WILL BE TRANSFERRED TO ST NICHOLAS'S OR ST GEORGE'S.**

Wee Worship (a short service using the Iona liturgy) will be gathering in person at **St Nicholas's Church** from Wednesday 4 August, at 9.15. Meeting in the south transept chapel.

'**Twelve**' has reopened, so far on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturday mornings. **We are looking for volunteers! Come and join us, and see people again!**

Services this week

Sunday 1st August—Trinity 9 (proper 13)

08:00 Matins (on Zoom)

09:30 'Come and Join' at **Great Wilbraham**

11:00 Parish Communion with Sunday School at **Fulbourn**

Wednesday 4th August

08:30 Morning prayer at **F**

09:00 Wee Worship at **GW (zoom)**

Thursday 5th August

08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**

Friday 6th August

8:30 Morning prayer at **F**

Readings this week and next

1 st August Trinity 9 Proper 13	8 th August Trinity 10 Proper 14
Exodus 16.2-4, 9-15	1 Kings 19.4-8
Psalms 78 (at Matins)	Psalms 34 (at Matins)
Ephesians 4.1-6	Ephesians 4.25-5.2
John 6.24-35	John 6.35,41-51

Children's ministry:

There is Sunday School at every in-person 11 am service at St Vigor's. In addition, Sunday School materials are sent out each week in our weekly email. Our Youth Group will resume meeting in September.

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Virus precautions

When in our churches, please keep 2m minimum distance from anyone you don't live with.

Please sign in and/or check in with the Test and Trace App

Please wear a mask