

St Vigor, Fulbourn; St Nicholas,
Great Wilbraham; St John, Little Wilbraham;
and St George, Six Mile Bottom
Diocese of Ely

Sunday 15th October, 2017
18th Sunday After Trinity, Proper 23, Year A

We are a group of four churches in the Diocese of Ely seeking to worship God faithfully, and to serve Him in all that we do. If you are visiting or if this is your first time worshipping with us, we would love to meet you. Welcome!

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy:
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord.



How do we read the parable of the King and the Wedding Feast, which is so different, and so much grimmer in Matthew's Gospel than it is in Luke's? Firstly, I believe, we must resist the impulse to read the King as God; secondly, we must avoid hearing Luke's positive version when it is Matthew's version we have before us, with a king who is the worst sort of tyrant. Like the parable of the wicked tenants which we have just heard, this parable is a prediction of Christ's passion. It represents the collision in history of two kinds of authority: the power based on violence which is what the world calls authority, and the heavenly authority which gives itself over to our violence but cannot be vanquished by it. The man at the end of this parable, who is not dressed in proper apparel, finally stands out as a singular character in opposition to the king. He remains silent in the face of his accuser, and lets himself be bound and thrown into the outer darkness. This is what is about to happen to Jesus. In the face of our earthly authority, he will stand silent in the face of his accusers, and let himself be bound to a cross and thrown into the outer darkness of death.

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Opening hours:
Monday 1:30-4:30pm,
Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:30am-4:30pm,
Saturday 9:30am-12:30pm.

Volunteers always needed!

Children's Ministry

- **Sunday School** meets **EVERY SUNDAY** at **11:00am** at Fulbourn Church in the Sunday School Room.
- **St Vigor's Baby Dragons** (baby & toddler group) meets on Tuesdays, 9:30am in the Fulbourn Centre. £1.50 for 1 adult + 1 child, 50p for each additional child.
- **Mother and Baby Group** meets every Wednesday between 2 and 3pm at Twelve.

Parish Magazine

To submit something for **The Mill**, Fulbourn's monthly Parish Magazine, please contact the editor, Peter Woor, by 15th of each month at peter.woor1@virginmedia.co.uk or on 880450. For copies (large or standard print), please collect from Twelve.

Fellowship Groups

Coffee and Chat: First Monday of the month, 10:30am-12:30pm at 53 High Street, Great Wilbraham.

Bible Study group on first and third Mondays of the month at 20 Angle End, Great Wilbraham initially, starting around 1.30 p.m.

The Word Together: Ecumenical Bible Study on the third Tuesday of the month, 2:30pm at the United Reformed Church. **In October it will meet on the 24th**

Theology on Tap: Discussion group on the last Thursday of the month, 7:30 until 9 pm at The Six Bells Public House in Fulbourn.

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This Week:

Sunday 15th October

- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) at **F**
- 09:30 Harvest Service w. Holy Communion at **GW**
- 11:00 Holy Communion with Sunday School at **F**
- 18:00 Evensong at **F**

Monday 16th October

- 08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**

Tuesday 17th October

- 08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**

Wednesday 18th October

- 08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**
- 09:20 Wee Worship (Iona Morning Prayer) at **GW**

Thursday 19th October

- 08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**

Friday 20th October

- 08:30 Morning Prayer at **F**

Forthcoming Services

Sunday 22nd October

- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) at **F**
- 09:30 Harvest Service w. Holy Communion at **LW**
- 11:00 Holy Communion with Sunday School at **F**
- 14.45 Home Close Service at **F**

Sunday 29th October

- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) at **F**
- 09:30 Joint Holy Communion at **SMB**
- 11:00 Holy Communion with Sunday School at **F**

Sunday 5th November

- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) at **F**
- 09:30 Holy Communion at **LW**
- 11:00 Holy Communion with Bring and Share Lunch and Sunday School at **F**
- 14.45 Home Close Service at **F**
- 18:00 Evensong at **F**

Sunday 12th November

- 08:00 Holy Communion (BCP) at **F**
- 10:00 Act of Remembrance at **F**
- 15:00 Service of Remembrance & Healing at **SMB**
- 18:00 Evensong at **F**

Notices and Events:

This Week

This **Harvest** our benefice will again be collecting non-perishable foods for Jimmy's Night **Shelter** in Cambridge. We will also be having a retiring collection for **Christian Aid** at all our harvest services. Let's be God's tribute act: and imitate his generosity in love and gratitude.

The **Harvest Festival Services** will be at 11am on the 9:30am on the 15th October in St Nicholas', Great Wilbraham and 9:30am on the 22nd at St John's, Little Wilbraham

Richard Gowers will be giving an **organ recital** this evening, **15th October** St Vigor's at 7.30pm. He is the Ex-King's College Organ Scholar. The programme will include Bach's majestic *Fantasia and Fugue in G minor*. Please do join us.

Coming Up

Please note the **Word Together Bible study** will be on the **24th October** this month, not the 3rd Tuesday.

New Service at St Nicholas's! Wednesdays, from 1st November, 3.15pm for refreshments; service to begin at 3.45pm. Creative and active prayer and bible study for adults and children, led by Bethan Howe. All are welcome!

All Souls Services will be held at **St John's at 6 pm**, and at **7:30 pm at St Vigor's on Thursday, 2 November**.

Sunday 5 November we will be celebrating our **Patronal at St Vigor's** at the **11 o'clock** parish communion. Children are invited to come dressed as their favourite saint (or dragon). There will be a piñata and a **bring-and-share lunch** after the service.

Starting Lent 2018 there will be a Growing as a Disciple course run in the benefice. Flyers will be at the back of the churches shortly or take a look at the diocese website <http://www.elydiocese.org/ministry-and-training/discipleship-course/growing-disciple-course> If you are interested please do let Alice or Bethan know.

Gluten-free Communion wafers are available at Holy Communion. If you require one, please tell the sidesperson when you come in.

If have you a notice to for upcoming weekly sheets, please contact Bethan in Twelve by Wednesday evening. (Tel 01223 882070 or fwparishassistant@gmail.com)