

Fulbourn and the Wilbrahams



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

3 May 2026: The 5th Sunday of Easter

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

One of the things to note in the Acts of the Apostles is that it's a tale that the Church tells on itself. It doesn't take long until the apostles decide that they must not be distracted from their preaching to attend to the daily distribution of food to the widows, so seven deacons are chosen to do that work, one of them is Stephen. A deacon is, literally, one who serves. So though Stephen is chosen not to



preach but to serve, his witness of caring for the least in the community (Jew and Gentile alike) so challenges the powers that be that he is seized, condemned, and killed. The first Christian martyr comes not from those preaching the word, but from those feeding the hungry. Whatever questions we may ask, Jesus will keep offering not simply answers but himself. Because as important as "why" is, "who" is even more important, for we live and die – and are born once again – in and through our relationships.

Services in the Benefice

Sunday 3 May 5th Sunday of Easter

- 8.00 Holy Communion (BCP) **F**
- 9.30 'Come and Join' **GW**
- 11.00 Parish Communion (with Sunday School) **F**
- 6.00 Evensong **F**

Wednesday 6 May

- 9.00 Morning Prayer **GW**

Thursday 7 May

- 8.30 Morning Prayer **F**

Friday 8 May

- 8.30 Morning Prayer **F**

Sunday 10 May: 6th Sunday of Easter

- 9.30 Parish Communion **LW**
- 11.00 Parish Communion (with Sunday School) **F**
- 6.00 'Come and Sing' Choral Evensong **F**

Readings for Sunday

The 5th Sunday of Easter

- Acts 7.55-end
- 1 Peter 2.2-10
- John 14.1-14

Evensong: Ps.147.1-12, Zechariah 4.1-10, Revelation 21.1-14

The 6th Sunday of Easter

- Acts 17.22-31
- 1 Peter 3.13-end
- John 14.15-21

Evensong: Ps.87, Zechariah 8.1-13, Revelation 21.22-22.5

Children's Ministry

There is Sunday School at every 11am service at St Vigor's. In addition, Sunday School materials are sent out each week in our weekly email.

Home visits: If you, or someone you know is housebound and would like a visit, or communion at home, please contact Alice or Ben H

Notices

Come & Sing Evensong: Our next Come & Sing Evensong will be at St Vigor's on Sunday 10th May with the rehearsal starting at 4pm. If you'd like to join the choir, please email Sian (fulbournchoirs@gmail.com) by 2nd May. It's free to attend with music and refreshments provided. All welcome in the congregation for the service at 6pm.

Looking ahead: Mark your diaries for our Benefice Eucharist and picnic at St George's, Six Mile Bottom on Pentecost, Sunday 24 May. If you need a lift, please contact Sian, Ben, or Alice. Matins has been moved to the following week.

Fulbourn Electoral Roll. A major revision was undertaken last year. Please let the PCC Secretary/Electoral Roll Officer, Sally Hames, know if you would like to be added to the Electoral Roll, if your information has changed or if you would like to come off the roll. Forms will be available from the back of the church or contact: sah57@cam.ac.uk

St Nicholas, Gt Wilbraham Electoral Roll revision-the deadline for this year's revision was **30 April 2026**, ahead of the St Nicholas APCM on Wednesday 20 May 2026. If you wish to be added or deleted from the electoral roll please contact Jeremy Barnett, C811 552.

St Nicholas APCM will take place at **St Nicholas Church on Wednesday 20 May at 7.30pm.** Light refreshments will be available from 7.15pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

St John's APCM will take place at **St John's Church, Little Wilbraham, on Wednesday 20th May at 11am.** Everyone is welcome.

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