

The Embroidery Group

In 2016 we completed the restoration of a white Frontal and Super Frontal for Girton Church. These were dedicated on Palm Sunday by the Bishop of Huntingdon. A Burse and Veil were completed for Catworth Church and we made a new purple Frontal for Madingley Church and are making a new white Frontal for Bourn Church. This is likely to be our last project as numbers are diminishing and no new members seem to be interested in joining us.

Jill Donnelly reports: “On Sunday 29th May 2016 a packed congregation attended evensong for a service of dedication led by Bishop David of Huntingdon. Representatives of many of the 7 linked churches in the group which includes Catworth filled the church on a sunny evening. The service had a dual purpose: first to dedicate the bells which have been refurbished and now returned to the tower. They had their first triumphant peal after the re-dedication by the Bishop. The late Isobel Lattimore and her small band of loyal and accomplished embroiderers were also in attendance for the return of the Burse and Veil which they have remounted on apricot silk and reattached to the original embroidery. The finished effect is stunning.

The congregation were treated to a splendid tea after the service was over, and many old friends were found chatting happily for some time.

Congratulations to her team for another example of their beautiful and meticulous work.”

On September 21st, 2013, the Bishop of Ely blessed the newly restored altar frontal in Ely Cathedral at a Festal Eucharist attended by the group of our embroiderers who had done the work, led by our then president, Isobel Lattimore.

The lettering is copied by couching down gold threads onto felt shapes that add depth to the lettering so that the gold will catch the light. You can see the gold threads down two of the bars of the lettering.