



St Paul Old Ford

Loving God, seeking transformation

Brief to design a new Altar Frontal for St Paul Old Ford

We would like someone to design a new white/gold altar frontal for the church of St Paul Old Ford.

Context:

The seasons in the life of the Church are reflected by the use of different colours, with white/gold being used for the high points of worship in the year. This includes Christmas, Easter, Epiphany (and their respective seasons), as well as days such as Ascension and Trinity Sunday. The white/gold colour is also used for baptisms and weddings. It is this altar frontal that we are looking to replace.

We would be looking for the new altar frontal to convey the sense of worship as found at these moments in the liturgical year. However, it should also reflect the identity of the local Church as found at St Paul Old Ford. Our purpose statement "Loving God, seeking transformation" and our values of "Welcoming, Joyful and Hopeful" should inform any design.

Additionally, the new altar frontal should work with the unique architectural space of the church, and should facilitate worship, rather than distract or detract from it. As with all things used in our worship it needs to point beyond itself to Christ.

Size and material:

The altar frontal would be 10ft by 3 ft to fit on our existing high altar, with a loop at the top of the design to place a long curtain pole through to allow it to be hung on the front of the altar (As per existing altar frontals).

Our current altar frontals were given to the church in the 1950's and we would be looking for a similar life span of 50-70 years for the new frontal.

When not in use the frontal would be folded away and stored in the vestment cupboard.

It would be important to spend time visiting the church, talking to staff and church members to get a sense of the St Paul's family.

More information about St Paul Old Ford can be found at stpauloldford.com and on our various social media channels.

Questions and queries should be directed to Rev. James Hughesdon (St Paul Old Ford Vicar) at james@stpauloldford.com