

“Thy will be done.....?”

Legacy Guide

Planned Giving Scheme

Legacy policy

At All Saints' we welcome all gifts in Wills, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference in our parish. Our PCC legacy policy is to use gifts to help fund significant development projects; whether buildings including major maintenance, equipment, mission, ministry or staff.

Since needs change over the years, we encourage you to leave a gift in your Will for the general purposes of the parish rather than for restricted purposes. We will discuss possible uses of your gift with your executors when the time comes, bearing in mind your known areas of interest in the church (e.g. St. Andrew's, music, buildings, children and youth, overseas or home mission or aid etc.) and the church's priorities at the time.

You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real difference to our future mission and ministry.

We will discuss how to acknowledge gifts in an appropriate way with the donor and/or their executors subject to any constraints placed on the PCC by Diocesan rules or other restrictions. Equally a gift can remain anonymous if the donor prefers.

Next steps - MAKE or update a WILL

We encourage you to make a Will so that all your wishes are realised with input from your legal advisor if needed. They can advise you on the appropriate wording, the impact of Inheritance Tax (IHT) and the style of bequest such as pecuniary or residual which best suits you. Gifts may be in the form of cash, property, securities, furniture, jewellery or other personal assets.

IHT is usually paid on an estate when somebody dies. It's also sometimes payable on trusts or gifts made during someone's lifetime. Most estates don't have to pay Inheritance Tax because they're valued at less than the threshold (£325,000 in 2013-14). The tax is payable at 40% on the amount over this threshold or 36% if the estate qualifies for a reduced rate as a result of a charitable donation.

If you would like to talk to someone in confidence about the sort of purposes your gift might fund and how (if) your gift might be acknowledged, please contact the Vicar or the Planned Giving Officer.

Gifts in memoriam

If you would like to make a gift in memoriam please discuss this with the Vicar or Planned Giving Officer. It can be a wonderful and appropriate way to celebrate the life of a loved one.