

What will your Catholic legacy be?

By supporting Catholic causes with a gift in our Will, we can all leave **a legacy of love and hope** for people in need.



Dear Friend,

During my years as a priest I've seen, at first hand, the effort and expertise Catholic charities and Church networks put into caring for the most vulnerable members of society. I've also been privileged to witness the incredible benefit they bring to individuals, families and whole communities – both here in the UK and all around the world.

That's why I'm pleased to support the Your Catholic Legacy campaign and help safeguard the future of such vital and deserving causes.

Legacies play a crucial role in funding the work of Catholic charities. No matter how large or small, a charitable gift in your Will can give hope to poor communities across the globe, enable the sharing of God's love and provide those in greatest need with a vital lifeline.

So please take a moment to reflect on the people and causes that matter to you.

Alongside your family and friends, might you be able to spare a gift for a Catholic charity? Gifts of all sizes can save and change lives; I've seen that for myself.

By supporting Catholic causes in this very special way, we can all leave a legacy of love and hope for people in need.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

The Most Revd Peter Smith

LLB, JCD, KC*HS



Archbishop of Southwark

Vice President, Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

Introducing Your Catholic Legacy

Your Catholic Legacy is a group of 26 Catholic charities working together to inspire and encourage people to leave a gift in their Will to a Catholic good cause.



Leaving a gift in your Will, large or small, is a wonderful way of providing for the people and causes you care about. You can be sure that your faith and values will live on.

Whether helping homeless and marginalised people, prisoners, seafarers, children and families in need here in the UK, or fighting global poverty and injustice and sharing God's love with communities around the world; the charities in Your Catholic Legacy provide vital services to some of the poorest and most vulnerable members of society. With roots in Scripture and Catholic teaching, our inspiration comes from the people we serve. Our mission is to put faith into action and demonstrate the transforming power of God's love.

As Catholic charities we rely on the support of the Catholic community, and one of the most precious forms of support is the gifts some friends leave in their Wills. Legacies help to give hope to thousands, deliver life-saving aid to those most in need, and share God's love in times of crisis. You can read more about the Your Catholic Legacy member charities on pages 10–13 and also find their contact details in this magazine. Each charity will be delighted to hear from you and answer any questions you may have.



Bridging the gap – compassion in action

Former MP John Battle has always been passionate about tackling poverty. He was the first director of Church Action on Poverty and presently chairs the Leeds Justice and Peace Commission. He was elected to Parliament in 1987 as the Labour MP for Leeds West, and served as Minister of State from 1997 to 2001.

Stepping down from Parliament in 2010, John now works on local community projects and is a patron of the St Vincent de Paul Society (England and Wales) (SVP). Here, he tells us about the causes he believes in and why leaving a legacy is a powerful thing to do.

What inspires you about the work of Catholic charities?

Probably the modesty of ordinary people who do amazing work quietly, unsung. Pope Benedict, in his letter for the Year of Evangelisation, spoke about how we perhaps hide our light under a bushel too much and don't shout out about what we do. It's a classic isn't it? People are getting on with the work, helping their neighbours, without asking for any reward but because it's the right thing to do, and that's what is so inspiring. There's lots of great work going on.

What causes have interested you the most, now and during your time in public service?

I'm particularly involved in SVP and CAFOD and I also support Church Action on Poverty (known nationally as CAP), which helps bridge the gap between compassionate action and the causes of poverty. These charities often have the same agenda – challenging poverty at home and abroad, and the structures of injustice that cause it.

I've always been passionate about fighting poverty. People are driven into poverty through no fault of their own, whether in this country or abroad. They're really struggling and have nothing, while others have a lot. I've been inspired by the writings of St Vincent and Blessed Frédéric Ozanam who teach that whilst we must help people in need, we

also need to challenge the causes of poverty in the first place. We have to speak up on behalf of the poorest as well as give a personal response of compassion.

What would you say to someone considering leaving a gift to charity in their Will, and why do you think this matter should be important to Catholics?

In our society, all of us must look at how we can live more simply. We should spend a lot more of our lives sharing what we don't need. That is why I am a massive fan of the St Vincent's community shops. I'm known for wearing my jumpers from the shops in Parliament! We need to make sure we don't hoard two or three coats when others have none. And that means that if we have accumulated much more than we need, we should seriously think about leaving a gift to organisations who can share these resources to help others.

Leaving a legacy is a great way to share what we have with those less fortunate than us – which is exactly what the early Christian community did. The Church has always supported legacies. We should think more about sharing what we have not only with our children, but with the wider community.

Can you tell us about something precious you've inherited and why it's important to you?

I really treasure a plain silver cross with the name St Agatha written across the middle. It means a lot to me, as it was found in the trenches by my grandfather in the First World War. He kept it in his pocket until he died. St Agatha was an early Christian martyr who died in 251 AD. She was from Sicily and was martyred for her commitment to her faith. She is the patron saint of earthquakes, volcanoes, and of breast cancer.

If you were to leave a gift to charity, what would you want to achieve?

I would want to help bridge the gap between compassionate action and speaking out to challenge the structures that keep people poor. So perhaps I would leave a legacy to do more through education and campaigning. Sometimes people say: why should money that I give go to administration and publicity material? Well I am massively in favour of administration and publicity material! There is a lovely line in Deus Caritas Est where Pope Benedict says: 'Love needs to be organised to be of ordered service to the community'. The need and the work must be communicated so that people are aware of what we are doing.

What legacy would you like to leave for the next generation?

I'd like to encourage young people to always keep asking tough questions, but to also retain a sense of wonder and a belief in people. The wonder of people – how positive and inspiring people can be and how surprising they are in their generosity towards others. We are in a world that is often seen as negative and we are all fearful. Actually the world is the opposite!

Do you want to help bridge the gap? What will your Catholic legacy be?
Email
info@yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk
or call 020 7095 5370
to share your vision of a better world.



A will to make a difference

Writing a Will allows you to provide for the people and causes close to your heart.

Alongside family and friends, many people choose to remember charities that have helped them in difficult times, or that they trust to protect their values. Whatever your chosen cause, you can be sure your legacy will provide help, hope and opportunities to future generations.

Remembering a charity in your Will needn't cost you a penny during your lifetime and it can help to reduce the taxable value of your estate. So as well as being a powerful force for good in the future, a legacy is also a very practical way to support your favourite cause.

Every year hundreds of people remember a charity in their Will. Here are some stories from friends who have taken this generous and thoughtful step. They all have their own individual reasons for leaving a gift in their Will, but they are united by their wish to benefit future generations and make a difference to the world that they leave behind.

We look forward to new heavens and a new earth in which justice will be established
2 Peter 3:13

Anne

"I support Missio because it is a charity where every pound given is put to good use, and where it is needed. It is a comforting thought to be able to continue this support after my death. Missio makes a real difference to Catholics in the countries where it operates, so a legacy is an easy decision!"



Pat

"I realise that the future of HCPT is so important. It's a wonderful organisation and I want to help ensure that it continues to help even more disabled children and adults. That is why I am proud to say I am leaving HCPT a gift in my Will."



Pledger tbc

"My father died unexpectedly just after the Second World War leaving our family, like many others at that time, to face and overcome numbers of economic and social problems. Too many young people face such horrendous individual difficulties alone, which is why I have supported Depaul since its earliest days and shall do so with a legacy after my death."

Mary and Mike

"We decided to leave a legacy to Apostleship of the Sea. It's quite hard when you hear about these men at sea. They are away from home for months at a time and they can be treated badly by certain shipping companies. They bring our food and the goods we use. I think we owe them something. I'd encourage others to leave a legacy. I think it's right to share what you have with others."



Anthony

"My faith means everything to me. That's why I have made a gift in my Will to Aid to the Church in Need – to help pass on the Faith to future generations."

Ian

"I'm not able to forecast the future, but I do know with some certainty that the number of children that bccs is asked to help will not decrease; I also know that without support of Essex-based Catholics, the charity will struggle for funds.



And if the charity struggles, then children that I don't know, and will probably never meet, will suffer too. So that is why I have arranged my affairs such that a small legacy in favour of bccs has been included in my Will. I think it is the very least I can do to help the worthiest cause I know."

Peter

"I was really impressed by what HCPT did... I have been to Lourdes and I know what a special place it is. One of the reasons I particularly want to leave a gift in my will for HCPT is that I trust them. I know HCPT will make sure that my legacy is used for the benefit of the disabled children and adults it is intended for."



Imelda and Chris

"Our precious children and grandchildren and all the support, love and comforts that they have are a constant reminder to us of the gifts we have received. We hope that our small legacy to CAFOD will go some way to make life better for members of our larger family in Christ."



Making your Will – Gaynor’s top tips



Gaynor Jackson is a partner in the Private Client department of law firm Ward Hadaway, which has offices in Newcastle, Leeds and Manchester. Gaynor has over 25 years’ experience in dealing with wills, probate and estate planning, and shows us just how easy it is to make a Will.

As a solicitor, I often meet clients who put off writing their Will for as long as possible, but once they have made their Will, they feel a weight has been lifted from their shoulders. So I’d like to help you see what a useful and positive experience this can be.

Here are my top three “things to think about” for ensuring matters go smoothly.

1 It’s good to talk

If you are worried that relatives or friends may not understand your wishes, or may have expectations about what they’ll receive from your Will, try to speak to them about your intentions and reasoning. It might be an awkward conversation at first, but it can help if loved ones understand your plans. The combination of bereavement, money and disappointment can prove potent in even the closest families.

2 Life’s two certainties: death and taxes

Although the majority of estates aren’t eligible for Inheritance Tax (IHT) it’s well worth asking your adviser whether this may be an issue and how you can minimise any liability to IHT. For example, assets passed to your spouse don’t attract IHT and you can claim any unused part of your spouse’s IHT allowance if you survive them. Gifts left to UK and some foreign charities are exempt from IHT and you may gain an extra benefit for your estate if you leave 10% or more to charity in your Will. You can find out more and keep up to date with any changes to IHT rules by visiting www.gov.uk/inheritance-tax.

3 Move with the times

Once you’ve completed your Will it’s important to review it regularly to make sure it reflects your circumstances and wishes. Milestone occasions in your life, such as buying a house, retirement or becoming a parent or grandparent, are sensible moments to update your Will; whereas some events, such as marriage, can invalidate your existing Will.

Writing a Will can seem like a daunting task, but it’s a great way to get your affairs in order and ensure your wishes are known.

Our eight easy steps to making a Will cover the most important points, but a professional adviser will help you consider all the details of your personal circumstances.

1

List your assets (everything you own) and their approximate value, such as any property, vehicles, savings accounts, investments and collectibles. Consider getting valuations before calculating the total.

2

Work out your liabilities (what you owe) such as your mortgage, loans and credit cards. Subtract these from your assets. The remainder is your estate, which will pay for funeral costs, taxes and any legacies you wish to leave.

3

Specify the people and causes you wish to remember (beneficiaries) and what you wish to leave them (legacies). If you have dependants or pets, say who should care for them and how it will be paid for. If naming a charity, include their registered charity number.

4

Consult a qualified legal adviser (most Wills are written by solicitors or banks) who will help you consider your options and responsibilities.

Feel free to ask how much they charge. Don’t be afraid to ask questions, and ask the solicitor to send a letter summarising the advice that you’ve been given.

To remember a charity in your Will, please include the organisation’s registered name, registered address and registered charity number.

5

Choose someone to carry out your wishes. Executors can be professionals, such as solicitors or accountants, or a trusted relative or friend. Please check they are willing to accept the responsibility.

6

Read through the draft Will carefully to make sure it is accurate and reflects your wishes. If there is anything you do not understand or agree with, raise this with your legal adviser. Remember: this is your Will and it needs to be right.

7

Sign and date your Will in front of two witnesses who must not be beneficiaries. They must sign and date the document and should not leave the room during the process.

8

Keep your Will safe with other important documents your executors will need, such as your birth certificate, marriage certificate or divorce papers, property deeds, insurance policies, bank or building society account details and your funeral plan. You might also want to record passwords for any social media profiles you have, so your loved ones can close your accounts when the time comes.

Despite being such an important document, almost two thirds of adults in the UK have not written a Will.

Here we look at common misconceptions people have about writing a Will, and why it’s important to get things right.

“Everything will go to my partner anyway”

It’s a common assumption that an estate automatically passes to the nearest family member, but this is not necessarily the case. The law has specific intestacy rules regarding who inherits from an estate with no Will. For example, if a person dies leaving a spouse but no children, they could well find themselves having to share the estate with the spouse’s family members. Intestacy laws also do not recognise long-standing partners outside marriage.

“There’s no point – I don’t have a lot anyway”

You really don’t need to be wealthy to justify making a Will, and many of us actually underestimate our worth. Whilst you might not have large cash assets, you may own a house or have life assurance policies, and it’s very easy to overlook things such as death in service benefits, pension benefits, and even mortgage protection which will form part of your estate on death.

“It’s too expensive”

Many people worry about the expense of writing a Will, but a poorly drafted Will can cost your loved ones more money and time, and distress, in the future. A professional can help you think through all eventualities and make sure nothing is overlooked. While it may seem like an expense, a professionally drafted Will is really an investment in your loved ones’ future.

“I don’t have time”

The average Will only takes 45 minutes to be written, and most estates are relatively straightforward. And it’s worth spending time now to get it right, rather than your loved ones having to work out any potential problems in the future, at an already difficult and emotional time.

“I don’t want to think about it, it’s depressing”

It is a serious matter, but it doesn’t have to be depressing. It is simply another way to make sure the people you care about are looked after. Many people speak of the relief they feel once they’ve put a Will in place, and feel very proud to have provided for the people and causes close to their heart.

Writing your Will doesn’t have to be difficult. Visit www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk for more information, or go to the Law Society website to find solicitors in your area who specialise in Will writing.

The members of Your Catholic Legacy

Ace of Clubs

At Ace of Clubs our mission is to provide empowering, holistic and transformative support to local homeless and vulnerable people, to help them transition into and maintain healthy, fulfilling and purposeful lifestyles as contributing members of the local community.

Registered name: Ace of Clubs

Address: St Alphonsus Road, Clapham, London, SW4 7AS

Charity number: 1055187

Telephone: 020 7720 2811

Aid to the Church in Need

Aid to the Church in Need is a Pontifical Foundation of the Catholic Church, supporting Christians who are persecuted, oppressed or in pastoral need in over 130 countries worldwide. We build churches and chapels, provide essential transport and emergency aid and support faith initiatives.

Registered name: Aid to the Church in Need

Address: 12-14 Benhill Avenue, Sutton, Surrey, SM1 4DA

Charity number: 1097984 (SC040748 in Scotland)

Telephone: 020 8642 8668

Apostleship of the Sea

Apostleship of the Sea is the official Catholic maritime charity, working in more than 250 ports worldwide. In Britain, AoS provides practical and pastoral care to around 200,000 seafarers each year through our dedicated team of chaplains and volunteer ship visitors, who cover 56 ports.

Registered name: Apostleship of the Sea

Address: 39 Eccleston Square, London, SW1V 1BX

Charity number: 1069833 (SC043085 in Scotland)

Telephone: 020 7901 1931



Archdiocese of Southwark

The Archdiocese of Southwark is the local Church for the South East corner of England, covering the London boroughs south of the River Thames, the County of Kent, and the Medway Unitary Authority. Organised in to 180 parish communities, we fulfil the instruction of Jesus to spread His Gospel, especially by promoting public worship, spiritual renewal, parochial community life, and Catholic Education.

Registered name: The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Southwark

Address: Archbishop's House, 150 St George's Road, London, SE1 6HX

Charity number: 235468

Telephone: 020 79282494

Brentwood Catholic Children's Society (bccs)

At bccs we believe that every child should be loved and cared for. However, some children experience great hardship and suffering – from bereavement to bullying, from anxiety to abuse. bccs provides counselling for children and young adults whose wellbeing, and mental and emotional health, could be at risk.

Registered name: Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

Address: Childcare House, Little Wheatley Chase, Rayleigh, Essex, SS6 9EH

Charity number: 1000661

Telephone: 01268 784544

The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development (CAFOD)

As the Church's official aid agency, CAFOD works alongside the world's poorest communities; helping people access water, education, healthcare, shelter, tools and training so they can build a brighter future for themselves and their families. We also provide emergency relief and long-term support to communities affected by conflict and disasters, helping to rebuild lives and communities.

Registered name: Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

Address: Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB

Charity number: 1160384

Telephone: 020 7095 5370

Cardinal Hume Centre

The Cardinal Hume Centre works with homeless young people, badly housed families and others in need. Each year the Centre welcomes more than 1,700 people. These include young people living in our 32-bed hostel, people seeking housing, immigration or employment advice, and parents and children supported in our family centre.

Registered name: Cardinal Hume Centre

Address: 3-7 Arneway Street, Horseferry Road, London, SW1P 2BG

Charity number: 1090836

Telephone: 020 7222 1602



Caritas Anchor House

Caritas Anchor House is more than just a homelessness charity – it is a residential and life-skills centre for single homeless adults, and acts as a community empowerment hub in Newham, East London. Our mission is to ensure that those who walk through our doors grow in confidence and move towards leading independent, self-fulfilling lives, by providing education, guidance and personal rehabilitation.

Registered name: Caritas Anchor House

Address: 81 Barking Road, London, E16 4HB

Charity number: 1147794

Telephone: 020 7476 6062

Catholic Children's Society (Westminster)

Catholic Children's Society (Westminster) helps children and families to overcome emotional and material poverty across London and Hertfordshire. We provide counselling services in all schools, mental health and bereavement training and run an emergency 'Crisis Fund' operation. We also operate family centres providing a range of services to disadvantaged families.

Registered name: The Catholic Children's Society (Westminster)

Address: 73 St Charles Square, London, W10 6EJ

Charity number: 210920

Telephone: 020 8969 5305

Columban Fathers

The Missionary Society of St Columban is an intercultural group of priests and lay missionaries called to participate in the Mission of God. Centred on the Eucharist, we cross boundaries of faith and culture for the life of the world, living and working in solidarity with the poor and the exploited Earth, with a special commitment to Asia and Latin America.

Registered name: Missionary Society of St Columban

Address: St Columban's, Widney Manor Road, Solihull, B93 9AB

Charity number: 221594 (SC038948 in Scotland)

Telephone: 01564 772 096

CSAN (Caritas Social Action Network)

CSAN is the social action arm of the Catholic Church and an agency of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. CSAN works to create a society where every person is valuable and valued. We embrace 43 member charities and Caritas Dioceses who work in solidarity in the Caritas Social Action Network.

Registered name: Caritas Social Action Network

Address: Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB

Charity number: 1101431

Telephone: 020 7633 4973

Depaul UK

Depaul UK works nationally to support young people aged 16-25 who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. We provide emergency and longer term accommodation and support young people to gain the skills they need to lead successful and independent lives.

Registered name: Depaul UK

Address: 291-299 Borough High Street, London, SE1 1JG

Charity number: 802384

Telephone: 020 7939 1280



Diocese of Portsmouth

The Diocese of Portsmouth covers Hampshire, the Isle of Wight, the Channel Isles and parts of Berkshire, Dorset and Oxfordshire.

Registered name: The Portsmouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust

Address: Diocesan Office, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, PO1 3QA

Charity number: 246871

Telephone: 023 92 825430

HCPT

HCPT is a charity offering pilgrimage holidays, to Lourdes in the south of France, for disabled and disadvantaged children and adults from around the UK and further afield.

Registered name: HCPT

Address: Oakfield Park, 32 Bilton Road, Rugby, CV22 7HQ

Charity number: 281074 (SC043743 in Scotland)

Telephone: 01788 564646

Jesuits in Britain

Jesuits in Britain work to strengthen the Catholic faith and care for the poor and disadvantaged. We operate parishes, schools, colleges and spirituality centres nationwide and offer a wide range of spiritual resources. We support destitute asylum seekers here in the UK and education and development projects in Africa and Asia.

Registered name: Jesuits in Britain

Address: Jesuit Provincial Offices, 114 Mount Street, London, W1K 3AH

Charity number: 230165

Telephone: 020 7499 0285



Marriage Care

Founded in 1946 as the Catholic Marriage Advisory Council (CMAC), Marriage Care's purposes are to help people in the spheres of marriage, relationships and family life by providing relationship counselling and marriage preparation services in accordance with the Church's vision of marriage as a vocation of life and love.

Registered name: Catholic Marriage Care

Address: Marriage Care Bishops Park House, 25-29 Fulham High Street, London, SW6 3JH

Charity number: 218159

Telephone: 020 7371 1341

Missio

Missio is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission. We support missionaries who reach out to all people with God's unconditional love and who bring the hope of the Gospel to new and poor Catholic communities where there is turmoil, poverty and uncertainty.

Registered name: Missio

Address: 23 Eccleston Square, London, SW1V 1NU

Charity number: 1056651

Telephone: 020 7821 9755

Nugent Care

Nugent Care is the welfare arm of the Catholic Archdiocese of Liverpool. We offer a wide range of services including specialist care for children and young people, residential care and nursing homes for older people, and care homes, group houses and teams in local communities for vulnerable children and adults.

Registered name: Nugent Care

Address: 99 Edge Lane, Liverpool, L7 2PE

Charity Number: 222930

Telephone: 0151 261 2001

Pact – Prison Advice & Care Trust

The Prison Advice & Care Trust is an independent Catholic prison charity providing practical and emotional support to the families of prisoners, ex-offenders, and prisoners across England and Wales. We believe in the innate dignity and infinite worth of every human being and we believe in the possibility of their rehabilitation and redemption, no matter who they are, or what they have done.

Registered name: Pact (Prison Advice & Care Trust)

Address: 29 Peckham Road, London, SE5 8UA

Charity number: 1053992

Telephone: 020 7735 9535

Progressio

Progressio is an international charity with progressive Catholic roots and works together with people of all faiths and none who share our commitment to social justice. We believe that with the right skills and knowledge, people can overcome the barriers that keep them poor.

Registered name: Progressio

Address: Units 9-12, The Stableyard, Broomgrove Road, London, SW9 9TL

Charity number: 294329

Telephone: 020 7326 2021

Society of the Little Flower

The Society of the Little Flower's mission is to promote devotion to St Thérèse of the Child Jesus. Through prayers and donations, friends of St Thérèse enable Carmelites to continue her "Shower of Roses" in their ministries and in their education of young Carmelites.

Registered name: Society of the Little Flower

Address: West Suite, 2nd Floor, Barclays House,

51 Bishopric, Horsham, RH12 1QJ

Charity number: 1123034

Telephone: 01403 274242

St Barnabas Society

The St Barnabas Society was founded in 1896 to support clergy from other Christian communities who become Catholics. We offer pastoral, spiritual and financial support, depending on the needs of our beneficiaries and their dependents, and provide encouragement to those who are considering leaving their ministry to become Catholics.

Registered name: The St Barnabas Society

Address: 4 First Turn, Oxford, OX2 8AH

Charity number: 1009910

Telephone: 01865 513377

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)

The SVP is a Christian charity that tackles poverty and disadvantage. Reaching out to those who are often ignored or forgotten, we provide visits and friendship for those in need, food parcels for the hungry, and holidays for those who cannot afford a break. We offer debt advice, counselling and life skills training, and our depots distribute furniture and white goods.

Registered name: St Vincent de Paul Society (England and Wales)

Address: 9 Larcom Street, Walworth, London, SE17 1RX

Charity number: 1053992

Telephone: 020 7703 3030

The Medaille Trust

The Medaille Trust was founded by Religious in 2006 and provides support for victims of human trafficking and modern day slavery. We have seven safe houses supporting all types of adult victims and their dependents through their journey of recovery. We provide education and training to schools, parishes and other groups supported by a network of Diocesan representatives.

Registered name: The Medaille Trust

Address: c/o Caritas Diocese of Salford, Cathedral Centre, 3 Ford Street, Salford, M3 6DP

Charity number: 1117830

Telephone: 07908 551009

The Passage

The Passage runs London's largest voluntary sector day centre for homeless and vulnerable people. Our aim is to provide homeless people with support to transform their own lives. Each day we help up to 200 men and women.

Registered name: The Passage

Address: St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London, SW1P 1NL

Charity number: 1079764

Telephone: 020 7592 1855

The Walsingham Trust

The medieval Slipper Chapel at Walsingham exists to promote devotion to Our Lady and pilgrimage to "England's Nazareth". Thousands of pilgrims visit each year and enjoy the spiritual benefits of the Shrine. The Shrine is open every day of the year and we provide daily liturgy and accommodation for visitors.

Registered name: The Roman Catholic National Shrine

Address: Friday Market Place, Walsingham, Norfolk, NR22 6EG

Charity number: 265755

Telephone: 01328 820217



Leaving a legacy

These are the main types of gift people leave in their Wills.

Residuary legacy

Part, or all, of your estate after debts, funeral costs and pecuniary gifts are paid.

Pecuniary legacy

A specific sum, which can be index linked to safeguard its future value.

Specific legacy

A particular item, such as a piece of jewellery, to be used or sold by the beneficiary.

Reversionary legacy

A gift that allows you to leave certain assets to an individual for their lifetime, and say who should benefit after they have passed away.

Here are examples of suggested wording you might find helpful

Residuary gifts

"I give all/fraction/% share of the residue of my estate to Charity X (registered charity number) of (registered address), to be used for its general charitable purposes, and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or duly authorised officer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors."

Pecuniary or Specific gifts

"I give to Charity X (registered charity number) of (registered address), the sum of £amount/specific gift of my item to be used for its general charitable purposes and I direct that the receipt of the treasurer or duly authorised officer shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors."

Can I leave a gift to Your Catholic Legacy?

It's very kind of you to wish to support us but Your Catholic Legacy is not a charity in its own right, so including that name in your Will would cause your gift to fail.

If you would like to support one or more of our member charities, please turn to pages 10–13 to read more about their work and note their registered details. You can also find out more by visiting our website:
www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk

Can I decide where my legacy will be spent?

Legacies are usually unrestricted gifts, allowing charities to use the funds wherever the need is greatest at that particular time. If you have a particular area of interest, please contact your chosen organisation to discuss your intentions and what you'd like to achieve through your gift.

Thank you

Thank you for taking the time to read about Your Catholic Legacy and for considering leaving a gift in your Will to a Catholic cause.

Without friends like you, the work of all the members involved would simply not be possible. We are so grateful for the generosity and dedication you have already shown to our areas of work and for the support you may give in the future.

If you have any questions or would like to find out more about any of the issues raised in our magazine, we'd love to hear from you. You are very welcome to contact individual members about their work or leaving a gift in your Will, or to find out more about Your Catholic Legacy you can call 020 7095 5370 or email info@yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk.

Thank you for your prayers, support and encouragement.

Our pledge to you

- Your Catholic Legacy values and respects the generosity of all charity supporters.
- The YCL campaign is run on a professional basis, adhering to the Institute of Fundraising Code of Fundraising Practice and standards on legacy promotion, and the provisions of the Data Protection Act.
- We pledge to comply with the upcoming changes recommended by charity regulators, and to encourage our members to maintain the highest fundraising standards at all times.
- YCL will only pass on your details to the specific members charities about whom you've requested more information. If at any point you want to change the communications you receive from member charities, you can get in touch with them directly and the relevant charities will be happy to make the requested changes.

If you have any comments or concerns you can contact us 020 7095 5370.



Our prayer

*Generous God, we thank you:
For the gifts you have given us,
the abundance of your Creation,
and the beauty that surrounds us.*

*For the people whose lives have touched ours,
for the love they show,
the burdens they lift,
the hopes we share.*

*Compassionate God, we ask you:
to fill us with your love,
to place in our hearts a spirit of courage,
to move us to reach out to others in need.*

*And lead us to play our part,
so that now and in generations to come
all your children may share
in our hope for a better world.*

*We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.*

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