

## WRITING YOUR WILL

We are God's stewards, entrusted to use his Gifts for the good of our family and our church family. In thanksgiving we should also take will-writing seriously, setting our affairs in order, and stewarding them wisely.

Making a will and updating it regularly is the only way to ensure your wishes are fulfilled, giving you peace of mind that you can continue to support family, friends, and causes that you love.

For more information about how to make a will, how to amend a will, or how to find a local solicitor, visit [www.churchlegacy.org.uk](http://www.churchlegacy.org.uk) or contact the National Legacy Officer on 08445 870 875

## SIMPLE STEPS

We encourage every church member to:

- 1 Make a will and review it regularly
- 2 Consider including a charitable gift to St Mary's.

## CONTACT US

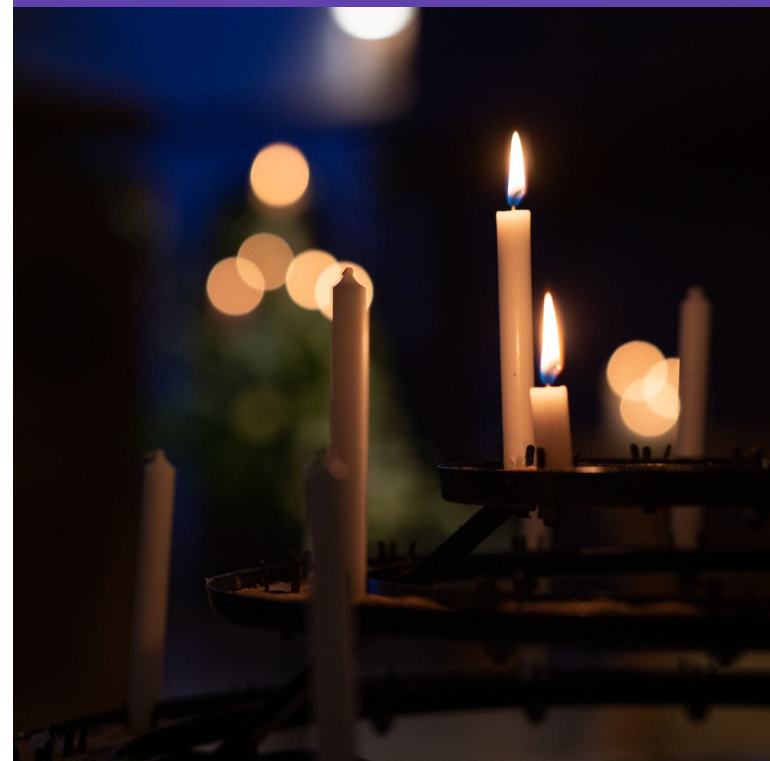
If you would like to speak to someone confidentially about leaving a gift in your will, please speak to a member of the staff team or wardens.



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# A LASTING GIFT TO YOUR CHURCH



# REMEMBERING ST MARY'S WITH A GIFT IN YOUR WILL



## DEAR FRIENDS

Ever since the first fund-raisers campaigned for the building of a new church on Claremont Gardens, St Mary's has depended on the generosity of its community. Over 90 years later, we still rely on your giving to sustain our mission and ministry.

If you are able, please consider leaving St Mary's a gift in your will, and you can not only ensure that our church continues to grow and thrive, but offer a final and powerful expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving to God.

**The PCC has written a legacy policy confirming that any gift, no matter how large or small, will be used to make a lasting difference.**



***"O LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a house for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and is all your own."***

1 CHRONICLES 29:16

## OUR POLICY

St Mary's is enormously grateful for legacy donations, and we understand that donors may wish to indicate how their donation is used.

Since it may be years or even decades before the time comes to fulfil the request, we strongly recommend donations be given in the most general terms.

All gifts will be acknowledged unless anonymity is requested, but permanent plaques or other such memorials would require separate consideration.

## SUGGESTED WORDING FOR YOUR WILL:

"I give \_\_\_\_% of my residuary estate OR I give the sum of £\_\_\_\_ (pounds only) free of all taxes to the Parochial Church Council of the Ecclesiastical Parish of St Mary the Virgin, Monkseaton in the Diocese of Newcastle for its general purposes, and I declare that the receipt of an officer of the PCC shall be sufficient discharge to my executors and trustees."

**We strongly advise you see a solicitor when writing or amending your will.**