

Your Vision

Sometimes parish life can feel like an endless cycle of raising money to pay bills. Leaving a gift to our church in your Will lets you think about your vision for our church's future.

Would you like to see more children attending? Are you passionate about music and worship? Do you wish the heating worked better in the winter? Do you think we should reach out more to young people, elderly people or people in need? Do you want to help save our building for the future? Do you want more people to experience the love of God?



Your gift could pay for a youth worker, provide materials for mission work in the community, help maintain the organ or the bells or improve our accessibility, employ a support worker, fund repairs to the roof or alterations and additions to the building.

Whatever your vision for our Church's future... **your gift could make it happen.**



Three steps...

We encourage every adult member of our Church to;

- Make a Will and review it regularly
- Consider leaving a proportion of your estate or a cash sum as a gift in your Will to our parish.
- Get a free information pack to help you; visit www.churchlegacy.org.uk, email pack@churchlegacy.org.uk, phone the Church's Legacy and Wills information line on 08445 870875 or speak to one of the contacts below who will be able to help you with the process.

If you already have a Will, the easiest way to make simple amendments such as adding a gift to our Church is by completing a codicil form. These are available from any of the contacts below. Remember to contact your solicitor if your affairs are complex or if you have any queries.



You can discuss Wills in confidence with;

**Rev'd Vince Jupp on 2674517
Mrs Nicki Wills on 07543-357444**

Birstall and Wanlip

*Your Church, Your
Vision, Your Gift*



**How you can make a
lasting difference
to the work of
your Church**

A Gift in your Will

A gift in your Will can keep our Church alive in our community - and transform its future.



Many of us give a proportion of our income to support our church every week. But we are stewards of everything we own, not just our income. As Christians, we should consider giving a proportion of all that we have to support the mission and ministry of our Church too.

Writing a Will helps secure the future of the people you love. Leaving a gift in your Will helps secure the future of the church. We could carry out repairs or alterations to our building, work with young people, run courses, reach out to people in need... **What could your gift achieve?**



“Yours, Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendour, for everything in heaven and earth is yours.

Lord our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you.”

(1 Chronicles 29)

Your Will

- Thinking about life after death should not be difficult for Christians! Make sure you are prepared practically as well as spiritually. Whatever your age, write a Will and keep it up to date.
- If you die without a Will, your loved ones could face a lot of trouble and expense, and a court could decide how your property is divided and who cares for your children.
- Many Christians give regularly and proportionately from their income. Why not give proportionately from your estate too?
- A gift in your Will helps our church to live out our dreams and mission in this community.
- It's a way to thank God for all the gifts of life and faith - and to hand them on to future generations.
- Leaving a gift in your Will can reduce the amount of inheritance tax you pay.

The Church charity number is 1132417



Your Gift

We welcome all legacies, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference to our parish.

PCC's generally use legacies to help fund significant development projects in the parish, whether buildings, equipment or staff. Since needs change over the years, you are encouraged to leave a gift for the general purposes of the parish.

PCC's will often discuss with executors the most appropriate use of the gift in the light of current projects and your areas of interest in the church (e.g. children and youth, music, buildings).



For suggested Will clauses to leave a gift in your Will, please see www.churchlegacy.org.uk or speak to your church treasurer: Mrs Nicki Wills.

There are draft clauses both for leaving a percentage of your estate and for leaving a fixed cash amount. Dividing your estate into shares can help you provide for your family and friends first, sharing what is left over between your church and other charities, and it can be more tax efficient and inflation proof.

We strongly advise you to see a solicitor when writing or amending a Will.