

Benefice of Ilminster & Whitelackington Legacy Policy (Charity Registration Number 1134398)

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Source of information	Parish Resources
Related Policies	None
Notes	<p>This policy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In brief – the Charity Commission recognise that parishes come under the Church of England’s financial management and therefore do not insist on the financial policies stated in their guidance for charities. Instead they expect us to fulfil the policy requirement (and financial management) of the Church of England. • (therefore) forms part of the Church of England requirements for parish financial management.

At St Mary’s (the Minster), Ilminster, we welcome all gifts in wills, however large or small and we promise to use your gift to make a difference to our parish. Our PCC Legacy Policy is to use gifts to help fund significant development projects, for instance, buildings, equipment, or staff. You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real difference to our future mission and ministry.

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 a restricted purpose. 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. music, buildings, children and youth, overseas mission or aid) and the church’s priorities at the time.

We acknowledge gifts in whatever way the donor and/or his/her executors feel most appropriate. Equally, we can make sure that gifts remain anonymous if the donor prefers.

If you would like to talk to someone in confidence about the sorts of purposes your gift might fund, and how/if you would like your gift to be acknowledged, please contact our Churchwardens via the church office:
Email – office@ilminsterpc.org.uk
Telephone - 01460 57811

If you would like to make a gift to our church in memoriam, please come and discuss this with us too. It can be a wonderful and appropriate way to remember a loved one.

For further information on legacies please visit www.churchlegacy.org.uk