

## *A Lasting Gift*

We welcome all gifts in wills, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a real and lasting difference in our parish.

We have been fortunate to receive such generous gifts in the past.

Recent legacies have helped us to ...

- *Fund our full-time Children's and Youth Ministry Leader post*
- *Upgrade our AV equipment*
- *Redevelop our church buildings*
- *Make repairs to the church fabric*



For where your  
treasure is, there your  
heart *will be* also.

Luke 12:34 NIV

## *3 Simple Steps*

We encourage every adult church member to:

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- 1) Make a will and review it regularly.
- 2) Consider leaving a gift to All Saints.
- 3) Request a free information pack from [www.churchlegacy.org.uk](http://www.churchlegacy.org.uk)



You can also speak to the PCC Treasurer in confidence about legacy gifts in wills. Please contact them at [treasurer@allsaintsilkley.org](mailto:treasurer@allsaintsilkley.org)

## All Saints Ilkley

**How you can make  
a Lasting Gift  
to our Church**



## Dear Friends

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It has always been greatly encouraging whenever someone has left a gift in his or her will to All Saints Church in the past.

It's their testimony to the faithfulness, goodness and generosity of God and their thankfulness for the life of All Saints.

It's their way of continuing to support the mission and ministry of All Saints even after their death.

Therefore, I want to encourage everyone in our church family, old and young to make a will, review it regularly, and consider the difference a legacy gift to All Saints in your will could make.

If you need any information or help with doing this, please ask. There is support available and we will be able to point you towards sources of help.

Thank you,

**Revd. Mike Coe**  
**Vicar of All Saints, Ilkley**

***“But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able thus to offer willingly? For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.”***

***(1 Chronicles 29:14)***

## Your Parish, Your Gift

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Many people give regularly to the mission and ministry of their parish church. We are stewards of everything we own, not just our income, and gifts in wills are a natural part of that giving. They are a valuable and lasting way to invigorate the life of All Saints and transform its future.

A gift in your will can be an expression of your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God, and can help keep your local church alive, and transform its future.

However large or small, All Saints will use your gift to make a real difference to our church in the present and the future.

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## Our Legacy Policy

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The PCC policy is to use legacy gifts in wills to fund important projects in the Parish.

However, because needs change over time, we encourage church members to leave a gift in their wills for the general purposes of the parish, rather than for a restricted purpose.

The PCC will discuss with executors the most appropriate use of the gift in the light of current projects and the donor's known areas of interest in the church.

## Please note...

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There are a number of low cost wills, or individual and charity based schemes available to help you write your will.

To find out more, please visit  
[www.churchlegacy.org.uk/lowcostwills](http://www.churchlegacy.org.uk/lowcostwills)  
<https://farewill.com/cofe-web>  
<https://freewillsmoth.org.uk/>

However, wills are legal documents, and as small errors can cause big problems, it's vital to have someone legally qualified to draft it.

Therefore if you're uncertain about anything please consult a solicitor.

### **Suggested wording for your will to leave a legacy gift to All Saints:**

*“ 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 All Saints, Ilkley in the Diocese of Leeds for its general purposes, and I declare that the receipt of an officer of the Parochial Church Council shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors and trustees.”*