

A Lasting Gift

We welcome all gifts in wills, however large or small, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference in our parish. We have been fortunate to receive such generous gifts in the past.

A generous legacy of over £52,000 enabled us to improve the audio vision and technology in Church, as well as to fund much of the refurbishment of the Parish Centre (Oct 2023) to aid in our outreach to local people.

Smaller legacies are also vital to allow key projects to proceed.



3 Simple Steps

1. Make a will and review it regularly.
2. Consider leaving a gift to our parish.
3. Request a free information pack.

**And now, our God, we give thanks to you and praise your glorious name.
For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.**

1 Chronicles 29:13&14b

For an information pack about gifts in wills, please speak to Pat Wood, Legacy and Stewardship Officer, in confidence
Tel: 07887 216421



**ST MARY'S
CHURCH
GARFORTH**

**Making a
Lasting Gift
to our Church**

Support our mission to Garforth people for generations to come

Dear Friends

It is such an encouragement whenever someone leaves a gift in their will to our Church. It is their testimony to the faithfulness, goodness and generosity of God, their thankfulness for the life of St Mary's, and their commitment to the ongoing mission of the Church in Garforth.

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



Your Parish Your Gift

Many people give regularly to the mission and ministry of the parish.

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 St Mary's, transform its future and enable us to serve and reach out to generations to come.

Your Will

Suggested wording for your will:
"I give % of my residuary estate OR I give the sum of £XXXX, free of all taxes, to the Parochial Church Council of the parish of St Mary's Church, Garforth 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."

Our Legacy Policy

The Parochial Church Council has a Legacy Policy setting out how your gift, however large or small, will be used to make a real difference to the work and life of our church.

Such gifts will be used to fund development projects in the Parish. Since needs change over the years, we encourage church members 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 bearing in mind your known areas of interest (e.g. music, buildings, children and youth, outreach) and the church's priorities at the time.

**YOUR GIFT WITH BE RECEIVED
WITH GREAT THANKS!**