

## *A Lasting Gift*

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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.

We encourage every adult church member to:

- 1) Make a will and review it regularly.
- 2) Consider leaving a gift to our parish.

You can speak to our Treasurer in confidence about gifts in wills. Please contact them via the Church Office on 0115 926 7859 or [smwft@outlook.com](mailto:smwft@outlook.com)

Gifts to charities (like St Mark's) are exempt from inheritance tax.



**How you can make a  
lasting gift to our church**



## Dear Friends

It is always a great encouragement whenever someone leaves a gift in their will to our church.

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

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

Thank you

**Rev Matt Roberts – Vicar**

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 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 Mark's 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.

The PCC has written a Legacy Policy confirming that, however large or small, they will use your gift to make a real difference to our church.

## Our Legacy Policy

The policy of the PCC is to use gifts in wills to help fund significant 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.

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 (e.g. children and youth, music, buildings).

### 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 parish of St Mark's Church, Woodthorpe (Registered Charity 1131702) in the Diocese of Southwell & Nottingham 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.”

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