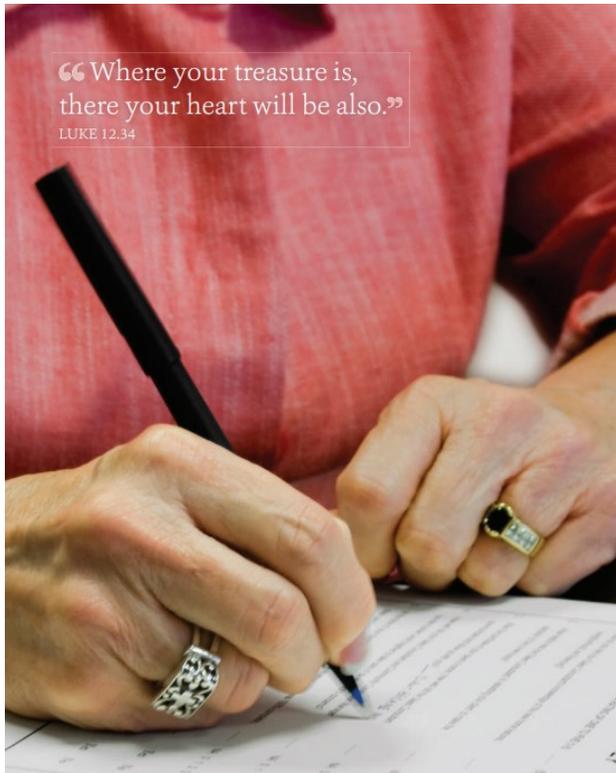


A Lasting Gift

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.



Previous legacies have enabled us to employ a youth worker, and install a new kitchen in the Parish Centre.



Three Simple Steps

We encourage every adult church member to:

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

*Generous God,
you have given me so much. In response to all your blessings, I pray for grace to continue to be a means of blessing in the lives of others. Grant me the wisdom and generosity of your Spirit to make appropriate provision for those I love and care for, and gifts of thanksgiving to the causes and concerns you led me to care about. Amen*

To request a free information pack, please visit www.churchlegacy.org.uk

You can also speak to the Treasurer or the Stewardship Secretary in confidence about gifts in wills. Please contact them via the Parish Office on 01228 810616 or email parish.office@stjamescarlisle.org.uk



Making a Gift that Lasts

Dear Friends



It has always been a great encouragement whenever someone has left a gift in his or her will to our Church in the past.

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

I 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.

Thank you,

The Revd Simon Bickersteth

**All things come from you, and
of your own do we give you.**

1 Chronicles 29:14

Your Church, 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 James 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.



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 James Carlisle in the Diocese of Carlisle 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."