

# Types of Legacy

A Will is the best method of ensuring your wishes are carried out after your death. Making a Will need not be complicated or expensive. Your solicitor will use the most appropriate legal terminology to represent your wishes. To include St Barnabas, you will need the church's registered charity number, which you can find at the bottom of this leaflet.

## Types of Legacy

There are different types of legacy you could leave to the church:

### Residuary Legacy

This is when you leave the balance or a percentage (even 1%) of your estate to St Barnabas, after tax, expenses and gifts to your loved ones have been taken care of.

### Pecuniary Legacy

This is one that gives St Barnabas a set amount of money, as determined by you.

### Specific Legacy

This is a specific item, or proceeds from the sale of such an item.

For further help and information, visit the Church of England's legacy website: [www.churchlegacy.org.uk](http://www.churchlegacy.org.uk)

# Your Will

You may be yet to make a Will, or the time has come for you to update it. We can recommend local solicitors who would be able to help write your will, or can advise you on how to make a Codicil to an existing Will in order to reflect changes in your circumstances, as well as give you the latest information about Inheritance Tax, guardianship, and other vital facts you will need to consider.

If you would like to request more information about writing or updating your will, please email:

[SimingHill@stbarnabas.co.uk](mailto:SimingHill@stbarnabas.co.uk)

or hand the below into someone wearing a badge:

I'd like to know more about writing/updating my Will:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Legacies & Wills



# A Vision for the Future

St Barnabas Church is a lively, multicultural, evangelical charismatic church with hundreds of committed members from very diverse backgrounds. Children and young people are very much part of this growing church.

The church has grown in the last 100 years, but more especially during the past 25 years. Through a fresh experience of the Holy Spirit a new church has emerged. St Barnabas has become a large visionary community with fervour to see God at work amongst us. We are passionate about our faith, the Bible and about God. We also believe that our church should be a community of love, fun and laughter. We don't just 'go to church' – we *are* church. We are committed to seeing our lives transformed by an experience of the love of God, and then sharing all that we have received with a hurting world.

***Our Vision is to become a community that transforms the lives of thousands of individuals and then moves outward to see the world changed for Christ.***



We are certain that God is going to do some even greater things both here in North Finchley and in the places where God has called us to minister around the world. We are taking our strategic planning seriously, to ensure that this work will carry on growing long into the future

No doubt you will be making plans for your future too.

**Have you thought about making a Will?** It is very important that you make sure that your family is adequately provided for after your life here on earth is complete. But having made careful provision for any of your remaining dependants, **why not consider leaving a portion of your estate to St Bs?**

A bequest to St Bs in your Will could also be the crucial ingredient that helps us to turn our dreams into reality!

By mentioning St Barnabas in your Will, you can pledge to leave us money in the event of your death, when you no longer need it. The added benefit is that a gift given in your Will has the potential to be larger than anything you could afford to give during your lifetime. So even if you can't afford to give as much as you'd like to now, you know you've made a promise to give more later.



## What happens if I don't make a Will?

Sadly, very few people make a Will – only around one in four adults in the UK. Many people still don't like to think about death and all that it brings, and yet short of the Lord's return happening during our own lifetime, it is the one thing that is certain to happen to us all. And for Christians, death need have no sting - death is swallowed up in Victory!

If you are without family and haven't made a Will, all your estate will pass to the Crown. Some people think - quite wrongly – that everything goes to their wife or husband if no Will exists. In fact, if you have children or relatives, only a portion of the estate passes to your spouse. In England and Wales, the residue must be shared with children and other relatives. If you do not make a Will, then the Law, not you, will decide who gets what, and that can be an expensive business with legal costs being paid from your estate.

Making a Will now will give you the peace of mind of knowing that your affairs are in order, and that your next of kin will not be left with added stress during a time of grief. We know that planning for the future is important to you. It is also important to us at St Bs. That is why we are taking the opportunity to share this information with you. We believe that having funds secured for the future will help us make long-term plans for our ministry in North Finchley and beyond.