

# God loves a cheerful giver.

2 CORINTHIANS 9:7



**How leaving a bequest can make such a difference.**

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**G**enerosity of spirit is an important part of what Living Catholic is all about. Leaving a bequest epitomises this spirit and reminds us that God loves a cheerful giver.

Naturally you should always consider immediate family and friends first, but we can all do something within our means to assist the Church or one of its charitable or pastoral activities.

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**“Concern for others is at the very heart of Christian life. By making a bequest you will have a direct impact on the lives of those who are desperately in need of our love and support.”** Archbishop Philip Wilson

### What is a bequest?

A bequest is a gift detailed in your Will.

It can be as little or as large as you want and not necessarily monetary.

By making a bequest, you decide how you would like your generosity allocated.

A bequest can be made in several ways:

#### A monetary amount

This is where you specify an amount of money from your estate to go to any individuals, charitable or other organisations.

#### The residue of your estate

This is the balance of your estate after you have made provision for your family, friends and any other specific considerations.

#### A percentage of your estate

In this way, you nominate a percentage of your estate and not a specific amount.

#### Other bequest options

Although bequests are usually expressed in monetary terms, less known but equally valuable are gifts of property, shares and other disposable valuables.

### How do you leave a bequest?

We recommend you seek advice from your solicitor on making or updating your Will and on the most appropriate wording for leaving a bequest. In this way you are assured your wishes and intentions are met and that the beneficiary can maximise your generosity.

Here are two examples of suitable wording for bequests:

#### General bequest

“I give to the Archbishop for the time being of the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide (the sum of \$.....or.....% of my estate) to be used in such manner as he determines and the receipt of an authorised officer of the Archdiocese shall be sufficient discharge to my Trustee, who shall not be bound to see to the application of this gift.”

#### Specific bequest

“I give to the Archbishop for the time being of the Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide (the sum of \$.....or.....% of my estate) and I express the wish, without creating any trust, that this gift be used for (state your preferred use for the gift), and I declare that the receipt of an authorised officer of the Archdiocese shall be sufficient discharge to my Trustee, who shall not be bound to see to the application of this gift.”

### Making a difference

By making a bequest you can specify to which area of church life you would like to contribute. You can help to carry on our many and varied good works such as hospital and prison chaplaincy, social justice and community welfare programs supported by Catholic Charities, life issues, conservation of heritage buildings or lay ministry and care for our priests. Or you may want to contribute to your local parish – it is entirely up to you.

If you decide to leave a bequest for the good works of the Church, please let us know. A surprise is wonderful, but we would love to get to know you, and recognise your valuable contribution. We also respect that you may rather give anonymously. Either way, if we can be of any assistance please do not hesitate to call us.

### More information

For further assistance about leaving a bequest, call Jane Juniper on 8210 8223 or email [jjuniper@adelaide.catholic.org.au](mailto:jjuniper@adelaide.catholic.org.au)

If you would like further assistance with any of the following, please tick the appropriate box, fill out your details and detach. Then, moisten gum, seal and drop it into a post box (no stamp required).

- Making/changing a Will
- Making a bequest
- Alternatives to leaving a bequest
- Ways in which I or my family can be recognised
- Additional information on a specific area of work in the Church
- I have already made provision for a bequest

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