

The logo for St Mary Magdalene with Sale West Community Church is located in the top left corner. It consists of a dark grey circle containing the text "St Mary Magdalene with Sale West Community Church" in white. To the right of this circle is a blue circle containing a white heartbeat line.

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LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

When making a Will, providing for your loved ones is of course the primary consideration. But once you have sorted this out, you may also want to express your gratitude and thanksgiving towards God by leaving a legacy to your local church. A gift in your Will (a legacy) can keep our church alive in our community, and transform its future.

As a charity, a gift to the church is normally free from inheritance tax.

We welcome all gifts, however large or small. Our policy is to use legacies to help fund significant development projects. Your gift could enable us to repair or improve our building, work with young people, or reach out to people in need. Recent legacies have been used for professional restoration of altar frontals, the oak lectern on the church dais, and church Bibles and trolley.

We will endeavour to use your gift in line with your wishes. Since needs change over the years, we encourage you to leave a gift in your Will for the general purposes of the parish rather than for a restricted purpose. When the time comes we will discuss possible uses of your gift with your executors, bearing in mind your known areas of interest in the church, and the church's priorities at the time.

We also seek to acknowledge gifts in whatever way the donor and executors feel most appropriate. Equally, we can make sure that gifts remain anonymous if the donor prefers.

Please let us know if you plan to leave a legacy in your Will, as we would like to thank you.

Gift in Memory of a Loved One

If you would like to make a gift in memory of a relative or loved one., please come and discuss this with us too. It can be a wonderful and appropriate way to remember them.

Possible Wording

You are strongly advised to seek the assistance of a solicitor when making or revising your Will. Here are some example clauses you could use:

To leave a share of your estate

- “I give _____% of my residuary estate free of all taxes to the Parochial Church Council of the parish of St Mary Magdalene, Ashton on Mersey (registered charity number 1133105) in the Diocese of Chester 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.”

To leave a fixed sum of money

- “I give the sum of £_____ (____ pounds only) free of all taxes

For further information

If you would like to talk to someone in confidence about the sorts of purposes your gift might fund, and how you would like your gift to be acknowledged, please speak in confidence to:

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Vicar

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Email: srankin@stmarysaom.org

Brian Macfaden
Church Treasurer

Tel: 0161 962 0375
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You can find out more about legacies and the difference they can make at www.churchlegacy.org.uk, and an information pack is available from the church office.

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