



Gifts and Legacies Policy

Parish of Holy Trinity with St Columba, Fareham



Principles

Holy Trinity with St. Columba welcome all gifts, of whatever size, in Wills and on other occasions.

We promise to use gifts to make a difference in our parish, in a manner which will honour any express wishes of the donor.

All gifts will be used to make a real difference to the future mission and ministry of the Church.

Gifts and Legacies may be made legally to the Rector and Churchwardens or The Parochial Church Council.

The parish policy is that gifts and legacies are used according to the following principles and policies.

Legacies made in Wills

Since needs change over the years, it is the Parish policy to encourage legacies in wills to be made for the general purposes of the parish, rather than for a restricted purpose. Discussions will take place with the Executors of a will, to consider the possible uses of a gift, bearing in mind the known areas of interest of the giver (e.g. music, buildings, children and youth, overseas mission or aid) and the church's priorities at the time.

Gifts will be acknowledged but can remain anonymous, if the donor prefers.

Gifts

Like Legacies, gifts can be given for specific purposes or for the general purposes of the parish. Gifts can remain anonymous if the giver prefers. The various methods of giving are detailed on the parish website or are available through the Parish Office. Gifts in recent years have been dedicated to the refurbishment of either or both churches, the fabric or furniture within our buildings, the memorial garden, children's ministry, clergy support, music and to the general running costs of the Parish.

Policy on Spending

Gifts of up to £500 are used at the discretion of the Rector (and Vicar where appropriate) and the wardens of the church concerned.

Gifts of £501 to £2,000 are used with the agreement of the appropriate church committee. Gifts of over £2,000 are used with the agreement of the Parochial Church Council.

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