

Loving Father, we come with praise and thanksgiving, for past blessings.  
We thank you for those who in past times have served you faithfully  
and have left a heritage for others to enjoy.

We thank you for their vision, their energy,  
their loyalty, and their generosity.

Amen



**Your gift can carry on the good  
work of the Anglican Diocese of  
Wellington for years to come**  
If you are considering a bequest to assist in the  
work of the Diocese please contact the Diocesan  
Registrar for further information.  
Anglican Diocese of Wellington  
PO Box 12 046  
Thorndon  
Wellington  
(04) 472 1057  
www.wn.anglican.org.nz  
If you are wanting to gift to your local parish talk  
to your Vicar or Church Wardens.

**Duty of care**  
The Board of Trustees exists to hold property and  
investments for the Diocese and its parishes and is  
responsible to ensure that bequests are applied in  
accordance with your wishes.



Ensuring the *future* of your church



St Marks Church, Carterton

## **Giving to God's work**

Have you thought about the legacy you would like to leave for those who come after you?

You only need to look around your church and see the gifts others have left for future generations.

While our stained glass windows and brass eagles are wonderful, we need now more than ever to support those in need. The elderly, our young families and young people, youth at risk, those in jail and those recently released from jail, are all in need of our attention. The Anglican Church is always there to help.

The social service we provide to these people give a true practical meaning to the weekly Anglican ethos of "go out and serve the Lord".

## **You need a will**

A will ensures you can distribute your estate in an orderly manner to the people and causes that are important to you.

If you do not have a will you lose the ability to determine where you want your assets to be placed. If you have no close relatives your worldly goods may go to the Crown.

The best person to assist you with a will is your family solicitor, a trustee company or the Public Trust Office. They will provide you with competent service at a modest cost.

If you already have a will which you want to add to, you can do this by inserting a codicil. Your lawyer will assist you with this.

Alternatively you may wish to help pay for a clergy stipend, fund Christian education or help maintain church buildings. The choice is yours to make.

Many of us want to give more but can't afford it when faced with our daily living costs.

There is a way forward and this is by giving to the Church in your will. This allows you to make a difference but with no impact on your current costs and you're usually able to give more than you could annually.

A bequest in your will is a way of thanking God for enriching your life and provides an enduring legacy.

## **How to give in your will**

Most people will start by providing for their family and friends.

When you have done this the best way to give to the Church is as a specified percentage of your estate.

You can make a bequest to your Parish or the Diocese of Wellington, with or without specifying a purpose, but the most suitable custodian is the Wellington Diocesan Board of Trustees. The Board will apply your bequest to general purposes or a specific purpose in the Diocese or in your Parish.

It is best to be general when deciding the terms of your bequest as needs change over time and your original intentions can adapt with them.