

# making a Lasting Gift

Making a will and updating it regularly is the only way to make sure your wishes are carried out after your death, giving you peace of mind that you can continue to support the family, friends and causes you love.

If you haven't yet made a Will, you are encouraged to do so, as part of your stewardship of resources and as an expression of love to those who remain. A simple Will does not need to be a major expense. However it is a legal document and so it is wise to have expert advice – e.g. a solicitor or a specialist Will-writing service.

Though we are unable to offer legal or financial advice, our Membership Department can answer questions about legacies in general. for a confidential discussion, please contact us on 01328 820582 or at membs@olw-shrine.org.uk.

Your beneficiaries may include individuals – e.g. family and loved ones, but also organisations and causes close to your heart. If you would like to include the Shrine of Our lady of Walsingham as a beneficiary, some suggested wording is provided below.

No matter how large or small, every gift can make a difference. There are several ways you can make a legacy, the most straightforward of which are:

## LEAVING A SHARE OF YOUR ESTATE (RESIDUARY BEQUEST)

This is the gift of all or part of the value of your estate (after debts, other legacies and liabilities have been met). This has the advantage of automatically keeping up with inflation.

## leaving a fixed sum of money (Pecuniary Bequest)

You can choose to leave a sum of money, which you can arrange with your solicitor to be increased in line with inflation.

#### The suggested wording for a bequest is:

"I give \_\_\_\_\_\_% of my residuary estate OR I give the sum of £ \_\_\_\_\_\_ pounds only free of all taxes to the Walsingham College Trust Association Limited (Registered Charity Number 215863) whose Registered Office is situated at Walsingham in the County of Norfolk, to be applied for the purpose of the work of the College of Guardians of the Holy House and Sanctuary of Our Lady of Walsingham, the Shrine being situated at the Corner of Holt Road, Walsingham, Norfolk, and I declare that the receipt of the Secretary for the time being of the Walsingham College Trust Association Limited shall be a sufficient discharge to my executors for the same."

We strongly advise you to see a solicitor when writing or amending your Will.

Though leaving a Gift in your Will is essentially a private matter, we would be grateful to know in confidence – your current intentions. You can do this by completing a Pledge Form.

# Pledge Form



Thank you for including The Shrine in your Will. We would be most grateful if you could complete and return this Pledge Form to us at the address below.

Please do not try to change or add anything to your current Will by crossing out or writing in new instructions as any changes will be invalid. We advise you to seek independent legal advice from your solicitor when making any changes. Though we are unable to offer legal or financial advice, our Membership Department can answer questions about legacies in general.

Walsingham College Trust Association Ltd (The Anglican Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham) is a Registered Charity, No. 215863 so all legacies are exempt from Inheritance Tax. A Gift in your Will could also reduce the amount of tax payable out of your estate, and so will be of benefit to your family. The law regarding estate planning does change over time; please ensure that you have up-to-date legal advice.

1. I have already included a gift to The Shrine in my Will **or** 

I intend to include a gift to The Shrine in my Will

2. I would like my gift to be directed to a specific area:

Bursaries for those in need to attend our National Pilgrimage

Education and Outreach

Maintaining our Spaces or

I would like my gift to be used for the general purposes of The Shrine, as the Charity sees fit

3.	Name	
A	ddress	
]	Phone	Email
	Date	Signature
4.	Estimated value of your gift (optional):	
	Details of y	our gift (Residuary / Reversionary / Pecuniary / Specific):
5. I would like to remain anonymous		

#### Thank you so much for your support.

Please return this form to the Membership Department, The Milner Wing, Common Place, Walsingham, Norfolk NR22 6BP T +44 (0)1328 820582 / Email membs@olw-shrine.org.uk

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