Considering your Funeral

While you are making your will you may also like to think about your funeral.

If you are a regular member of a congregation it may be obvious to you and the local priest that you would wish to have a Christian Community Funeral. It may be that your family does not know that or does not know whom to contact or how to arrange it. This is more likely to be the case if circumstances have meant that you have been too far from a congregation to participate regularly.

- Do make sure that your wishes are known to your family.
- You can do this by making provision in your will.
- You can simply write down your wishes and let it be known where the document is.
- You can make an Advance Directive which also covers end of life care.
- You can consider a pre-paid funeral plan.

You might like to know about:

Will Aid

Every November participating solicitors in this scheme will waive their fee for writing or updating an existing Will. Instead they invite their clients to make a voluntary donation to Will Aid, The money thus raised supports the work of nine major charities concerned with disadvantaged people. **See www.willaid.org.uk**





Our website:

The Christian Community at: www.thechristiancommunity.co.uk

For general enquiries:

through the Lenker, Revd. Tom Ravetz.

Your congregation:



The Christian Community in Great Britain

Would you like to promote the future development of The Christian Community?

Would you consider making a Bequest?

THE Christian MOVEMENT FOR RELIGIOUS Community RENEWAL

About Us

The Christian Community seeks to re-establish a relationship between the earthly and the heavenly worlds by celebrating the Christian sacraments in forms suitable for the present day.

The life of the community centres on these celebrations. It gives support and encouragement to human beings who find them meaningful and wish to live their lives in relationship to the world of spirit.

The Christian Community is funded by the donations of its members and friends. They make regular or occasional contributions to the running expenses of the congregations, the upkeep of the buildings and the living expenses of the Priests.

Much of the development of The Christian Community is financed through special donations, fund-raising activities and bequests.

There are several ways to leave a legacy:

- A pecuniary bequest is a specific sum of money.
- A specific bequest is a certain item.
- A residuary sum is a share after expenses and other specific bequests have been made.

The Christian Community



Would you like to share in providing for the future of The Christian Community?

- For training new Priests
- For building new churches
- For facilitating the development of new congregations
- For maintaining our existing properties

For example:

- Providing new vestments £300 - £10,000
- Training a new priest £10,000
- New buildings £200,000-£3,000,000

Making a Will

Making a will is the only way to ensure that your wishes for the disposal of your estate are met. For your family and friends it is a great comfort and reassurance to know that you have given careful thought to the distribution of your effects.

Any gift made allows you to help those people and causes which are dear to you and to thank those who have made a difference in your life.

It is most helpful if the bequest can be made for the general use of the Community, but you may certainly state a preference for its use.

Where appropriate, legacies will be directed – at least in part and in accordance with our policy - to the communities in which you were active; additionally national and international needs may also be considered.



Some Questions

Do I need a Solicitor? It is strongly recommended that you see a solicitor to ensure the correct wording and that all necessary steps have been taken to ensure the validity of your will.

Where should I keep my will? A

solicitor will usually keep a copy and can update it as necessary. You should keep a copy in a safe place at home. You may also lodge a copy with your bank.

Who should I tell? It is good to tell a close family member or two where your will is kept.

If I leave a legacy to The Christian Community, should I inform them?

If you tell us that you have left a bequest this allows us to thank you for your kindness and generosity and it assists us in making our development plans. Unexpected gifts are, nevertheless, always welcome!

What wording should I use?

Any gift should be left to The Christian Community Registered Office, 65 Carter Lane, London EC4V 5HF with the charity numbers 210029 and SC042486.

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