



NOTES ON LEAVING A LEGACY

1. Making a Will is the best way to indicate the way in which you wish your estate to be distributed

2. If you die intestate then a legal formula is used to determine how your estate is distributed which may not fulfil your wishes.

3. Parents of young children should consider appointing testamentary guardians in their Wills.

4. Currently everything that you leave over a specified tax free amount is (with certain exceptions) subject to inheritance tax at 40%.

5. Gifts to Charities (including St James) are exempt from inheritance tax.

6. A list of solicitors in this area who can advise you can be found in most local directories.

St James Gerrards Cross
with St James, Fulmer
Church Office
Oxford Road,
Gerrards Cross,
Buckinghamshire
SL9 7DJ
01753 883311
E-mail:
office@saintjames.org.uk
www.saintjames.org.uk



St James Gerrards Cross
with St James, Fulmer
Church Office
Oxford Road,
Gerrards Cross,
Buckinghamshire
SL9 7DJ
01753 883311
E-mail:
office@saintjames.org.uk
www.saintjames.org.uk



LEAVING A LEGACY

INVESTING IN THE WORK OF CHRIST AND HIS CHURCH



Form of Codicil

This is the 1st / 2nd/ 3rd Codicil to the Will

dated the.....day
of.....20.....of me

.....
of.....
.....
.....
.....

Signed by the Testator as and for etc.

Witness:

Witness:

Please consider carefully how you might help the two St James continue to be a beacon of faith, hope and love for future generations by leaving a legacy for the ministry of the Church.

If you do not already have a Will it might be helpful to your family to make one. Solicitors often have low cost "Make a Will" weeks and some Charities run schemes enabling you to make a Will free of charge.

"Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasure in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 6: 19-21

The Bible has much to say about the way we should manage our financial resources:

- We are to view everything we own as being a gift from God
- We are to be good stewards of the resources he has entrusted to us

- We are not to store up wealth for ourselves
- We should prayerfully seek ways to invest in the work of his kingdom
- We are to give joyfully and generously to the work of God

At various times in our lives each one of us will give thought and attention to how our money will be used when we die. Many of us will have made a will. Keeping in mind the teaching of the Bible, every Christian disciple has the opportunity to further advance the work of Christ by leaving a legacy to the ongoing mission and ministry of the church.

The vision of the two St James is to be a beacon of the light of Christ shining into our local community and out to the wider world. We seek to accomplish this dream through many areas of ministry.

We also support the ministry of the wider church in our nation, and around the world.