

# HELP THE LIGHT SHINE ON

Remembering Gloucester Cathedral in your will



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CATHEDRAL**

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# HELP THE LIGHT SHINE ON

**Gloucester Cathedral has been a centre for Christian life for almost 1,000 years, and continues to inspire people through its mission, work, beauty and music.**

The Cathedral is a resource available to everyone, and we are committed to offering free access to all. Our aim is to ensure that this special place remains in the best possible condition for future generations, and continues to benefit all people in ways that are relevant to their needs. We simply couldn't achieve this without the gifts made by generous people.

That's why your support is so crucial. We receive no government funding, and rely on donations and legacy gifts to continue our work. Every legacy we receive, however large or small, makes a valuable contribution.

A gift in your will is a wonderful way to help:

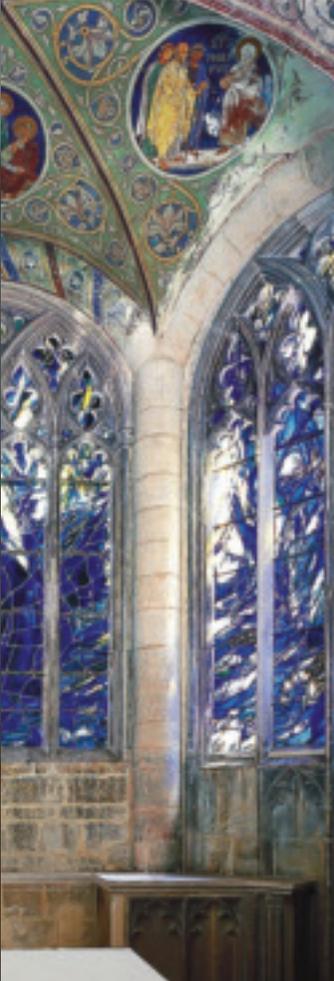
- continue the Cathedral's Christian mission at the heart of the community
- secure the future of one of Europe's most extraordinary and beautiful buildings
- ensure that whatever aspect of the Cathedral you loved most will continue to inspire future generations
- conserve the Cathedral so that no part is ever at risk of collapse
- give something back to a special place that is important to you

Help to build on the successes  
of today and meet the needs of  
tomorrow



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# MAKING YOUR WILL



Secure the future of the things you care about most

Making a will is a deeply personal matter, and although it is not complicated it can feel daunting. You may have questions about how to do it tax efficiently, the type of legacy you can leave or the benefits available to you and your loved ones.

Whatever you decide to do, it is important that you speak to a solicitor or financial advisor to gain professional advice.

If you already have a will but would like to include a gift to the Cathedral we can provide suggested wording. Get in touch with us (contact details on back cover) to find out more.

Enrich  
the lives  
of future  
generations



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# FURTHER INFORMATION

Your will is a sensitive matter best discussed with a solicitor. However, if you would like to find out how the Cathedral or Friends might use your gift, or to have any other questions answered, please fill in the form below.

Alternatively you can contact the Development Team or Secretary of the Friends directly (details on back cover). All queries will be treated in the strictest of confidence.

## Confidential information

Please fill in your details, detach, moisten edges, fold and post.

I am interested in leaving a legacy to the:  Cathedral  Friends

Please send me more information about leaving a gift in my will

Please telephone me on (please suggest an appropriate time and day)

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 Please arrange for me to be visited

I would like to speak with a member of the clergy

Title: ..... First Name: ..... Surname: .....

Address: .....

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Postcode: ..... Telephone: .....

Email:.....

## Thank you for remembering us

Leaving a legacy is a personal issue which many people prefer to keep private. However, if you have left a gift to the Cathedral or the Friends in your will we would like to say thank you and keep you informed of our work. You'll also have opportunities to experience behind-the-scenes access and attend special events.

I have included, or intend to include a gift in my will to the Cathedral / Friends and would like to be kept up-to-date with information and events.

PLEASE  
AFFIX  
STAMP  
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# GET IN TOUCH

If you would like further information please contact the Cathedral Development Team:

01452 874963 / [development@gloucestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:development@gloucestercathedral.org.uk)

You can also write to us at the address below.

Your query will be treated in complete confidence and with no obligation.

Thank you

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# A LASTING GIFT



*'I loved that school trip to the Cathedral. I enjoyed it so much, but I'm sorry it was all over in 3 hours.'*

Pupil from Hardwick Parochial Primary School

**How a legacy from a lady whose love of Gloucester Cathedral enabled us to establish our award-winning education centre.**

In 1998 Mrs Nigella Greening left a generous gift to support education at the Cathedral in her will. At the time there were no adequate facilities for groups of children to use, and little provision for them to get the most out of their experience here. Mrs Greening's wonderful gesture helped to kick-start an ambitious project tackling this problem by creating a new education space and developing engaging learning programmes for local schools.

Today, our education department has gone from strength to strength with over 7,000 children now taking part in inspiring activities each year. It is a wonderful example of just how much impact a legacy can have. We are forever grateful to Mrs Greening for this legacy and for all it continues to achieve for children today.

*Permission has been granted by those close to Mrs Greening for this case study to be shared with a wider audience.*



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# HOW YOU CAN HELP

**If or when the time is right for you to include a gift in your will, please remember us.**

You can choose whether to leave a gift in your will to the Cathedral or to the Friends of Gloucester Cathedral (a charity which makes annual grants towards numerous Cathedral projects every year).

Many supporters choose to leave an unrestricted gift because it can go where the need is greatest at the time it is received. However, there may be a specific aspect of Cathedral life that you wish to support because it means a lot to you.

## Choral Foundation

Help the musical life of the Cathedral to thrive and enable talented young musicians to reach their potential.

- Support our 3 choirs and help to sustain a 500 year old choral tradition
- Provide musical training for 20 choristers, 3 choral scholars and 1 organ scholar
- Maintain our singing outreach work in local schools

*'You can't put a value on how much our son gained from being part of the choir – it has given him a love of music for life.'*

Mark, parent of former chorister





*'Being a Cathedral Apprentice means I'm part of a masonry tradition stretching back nearly a thousand years. It is a real privilege to be working here.'* Alex, Stonemason

## Fabric & Stonemasons

Make sure this historic building is conserved for future generations and support the work of our stonemasons.

- Secure the fabric of the building for the foreseeable future
- Continue the successful training of talented young masons
- Enable special projects to conserve and enhance the Cathedral

## Education

Provide learning opportunities to local school children and young people through the work of our education centre.

- Over 7,000 children visit our award-winning centre every year
- Dynamic activities including costume tours, trails, staff inset days and sixth form conferences
- Holiday activities for young visitors



*'Wonderfully interesting for the children. What a treat! Bless you for your time and kindness.'*

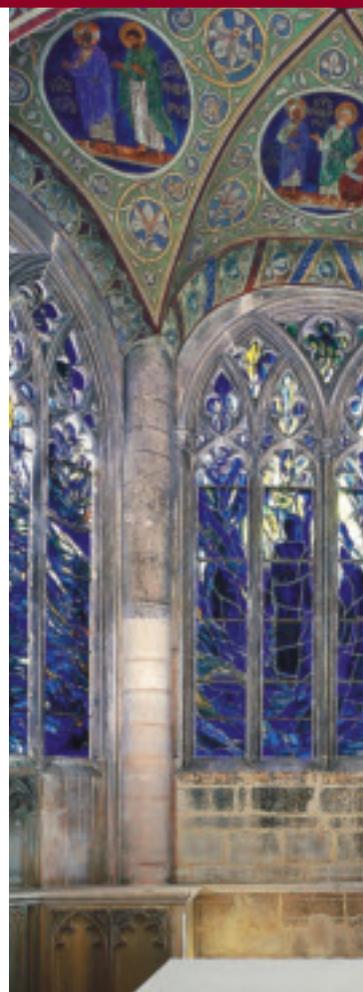
Cathedral visitor

# FRIENDS OF GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL

Give continuous support to a wide variety of projects through a legacy to the Friends.

Annual grants to the Cathedral are made from the Friends of Gloucester Cathedral, a separate charity set up wholly to support the Cathedral. Grants are awarded to assist with various projects at the discretion of the Friends' Council.

- Music, Fabric, Education and special projects are all supported by the Friends
- Legacies can be given to the Friends for the general needs of the Cathedral or for a specific purpose. They can be used at the discretion of the Friends' Council or specified to form part of the endowment.
- An endowed legacy ensures support for the Cathedral in perpetuity. However, if you are considering an endowment legacy we recommend you speak with your solicitor or financial advisor as current interest rates and inflation need to be considered.



*'The Friends give a huge amount of support to many different areas of Cathedral life every year – we would be lost without them.'*

The Very Reverend Stephen Lake, Dean of Gloucester