

# Why Does It Matter?

Once you've provided for your loved ones, a legacy gift to the Church becomes a powerful act of faith that echoes far beyond your lifetime. It's a way to:



Pass on your Catholic values and faith to future generations, especially your children and grandchildren.



Invest in the future of our Catholic community by supporting vocations, Catholic education, and vital outreach programs.



Create a lasting impact through endowments, annuities, bequests, or donor advised funds that continue your mission of service.



Find deep personal fulfillment – the kind that comes not from material wealth, but from knowing your generosity is making a difference for eternity.

A legacy gift is more than a financial decision, it's a spiritual one. It's your final testimony of trust in God's providence and a powerful witness to the Gospel values you hold dear.



A **legacy or planned gift** is a powerful way to express your faith and values beyond your lifetime. It allows you to provide for the ministries you love without sacrificing the resources you need today.

You can make a legacy gift by simply naming your parish, school, or other Catholic ministry as a beneficiary:

- In your **will or trust**
- Of your **IRA, life insurance, stocks,** or other financial accounts



## What Can These Gifts Do?

- **Create lasting, transformational impact**  
Once your loved ones are cared for, your gift can sustain ministries that serve the poor, form seminarians, educate children, and build vibrant Catholic communities.
- **Establish a fund that gives year after year**  
Your generosity can live on, providing **annual support for generations** through a fund aligned with your values.

# Begin Your Legacy Today

Learn more at [cfocf.org/leavealegacy](https://cfocf.org/leavealegacy) or contact one of our Charitable Giving Advisors.



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Your legacy is more than a gift, it's your witness of faith.



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# A Gift in Your Will Is a Testament of Faith



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



# How Can You Create a Planned Gift?

By partnering with The Catholic Foundation of Central Florida, you can create a planned gift that reflects your faith, supports the Church's mission, and ensures a lasting impact while preserving your family's financial future.



## Steps to Begin

1. Use FreeWill to draft a will or simply help you get organized, for free! You can choose to include a gift to your parish, school, or the Foundation.
2. Want professional guidance? Enjoy a free 1-hour consult with a vetted Catholic estate planning attorney or financial advisor from our Planned Giving Advisory Council.
3. Let us know about your planned gift so we can understand your wishes, ensure your gift is used as intended, and welcome you into our Vivos Christi Legacy Society, a special community of faithful stewards committed to building the Church for future generations.



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# Your Planned Giving Options

Explore flexible, meaningful ways to make a lasting impact:

## Bequest (Will/Trust)

### WHAT YOU RECEIVE:

Make a meaningful gift without affecting your finances during your lifetime.

### HOW IT HELPS THE CHURCH:

Strengthen your favorite parish, school, or ministry with a final gift of charity.

## Beneficiary Designations

### WHAT YOU RECEIVE:

Simple, tax-efficient giving using IRA, 401(k), or life insurance.

### HOW IT HELPS THE CHURCH:

Support vital ministries without reducing current assets.

## Charitable Gift Annuity

### WHAT YOU RECEIVE:

Guaranteed lifetime income plus immediate tax benefits.

### HOW IT HELPS THE CHURCH:

Provide a future gift for a diocesan ministry.

## Stewardship, Harvest, or Everlasting Funds

### WHAT YOU RECEIVE:

Flexible giving now and beyond your lifetime.

### HOW IT HELPS THE CHURCH:

Fuel the future of the Church through support of ministries like tuition assistance, vocations, faith formation, and outreach.



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of Central Florida  
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Become a Member of  
**The Vivos Christi**  
Legacy Society

### Membership includes:

- Personal letter along with a note and certificate signed by our Bishop
- Exclusive welcome kit: rosary, prayer card, reflections, lapel pin
- Invitations to special events and planning resources

"Tell them to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous, ready to share, thus accumulating as treasure a good foundation for the future, so as to win the life that is true life." – 1 Timothy 6:18-19

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