



Southwell
Minster

Cathedral ♦ Gardens ♦ Palace

REMEMBER US WITH A LEGACY



YOUR GIFT TO OUR FUTURE

Your Legacy

Leaving a gift at the end of your life to a place that has inspired or sustained you is a wonderful thing to do. Your bequest to Southwell Minster will be a lasting way to make a significant difference to its future, and will ensure the work begun in our own lifetime is continued for those who follow in our footsteps.

Southwell Minster is a place of refuge and stillness, a place of joy and celebration, and a place to marvel at medieval heritage. The Cathedral's acts of mission, ministry and music are only possible because of the work of past generations and the foresight of those who help to secure its future.

Please help us to look after the future by acting today. You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real and lasting difference to Southwell Minster's future mission and ministry.

You don't need to be wealthy to leave a gift in your will; all legacies are important to us. Your testamentary disposition can be expressed in cash, property or shares. You can direct your bequest to the Cathedral's general fund, to fabric maintenance, music, education, or to another area that has given particular pleasure.

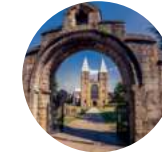
This leaflet shows you how to remember Southwell Minster.

The difference you'll make



£500

Cost of a school visit for 100 children



£1,500

Annual cost of tending the borders and topiary bells at the top of the West Path



£3,000

Annual cost of two choristers



£4,000

Annual cost of Children & Adult Growing in Faith programme



£7,000

Annual cost of Palace Garden upkeep



£12,000

Annual cost of a lay clerk or Organ Scholar



£50,000

Annual cost of the children's education programme



£250,000

Annual cost of the Music Foundation

Practical steps

Your Will can be changed at any time, either by making a new one or by recording simple alterations in a codicil. Whatever you do, we advise that you take legal advice to ensure your wishes are accurately reflected.

There are significant benefits to your estate if you leave a legacy to charity: it is free from Inheritance Tax and may reduce the rate charged to the rest of the estate. Your solicitor will be able to explain these benefits.

Here is a form of wording which can be adapted to suit your own circumstances:

• **Pecuniary bequest** – a single lump sum:

I give £... pounds [words and figures] free of tax to Southwell Cathedral Chapter (the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Southwell, Nottinghamshire) to be used for its general charitable purposes, and I declare that the receipt by their Chief Officer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

• **Residuary bequest** – all or a percentage of the residue of your estate:

After the stated testamentary disposition(s), expenses and liabilities are discharged, I give all (or a ...% share) of the residue of my estate to Southwell Cathedral Chapter (the Cathedral Church of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Southwell, Nottinghamshire) to be used for its general charitable purposes and I declare that the receipt of their Chief Officer or other proper officer shall be a full and sufficient discharge.

If you would like a confidential chat about leaving a legacy to Southwell Minster, please contact Andrea Pritchard, Head of Finance: **01636 819027**
andrea.pritchard@southwellminster.org.uk

Areas to focus on

Unrestricted

Many people choose to support Southwell Minster in their Will by leaving a gift to Southwell Cathedral Chapter without restrictions. This allows us to be flexible and allocate your gift where it will have the greatest effect at the time, be that to the Fabric of the building, supporting Music, or the many unexpected costs that the Cathedral faces each and every year. If, however, there is something of special significance for you, you can specify your wishes in a particular area.

Music

Choral music is the beating heart of the Cathedral, inspiring visitors and worshippers daily. Through the Music Foundation programme, talented musicians are given unsurpassed opportunities to develop their skills in Nottinghamshire's only professional choir.

Fabric

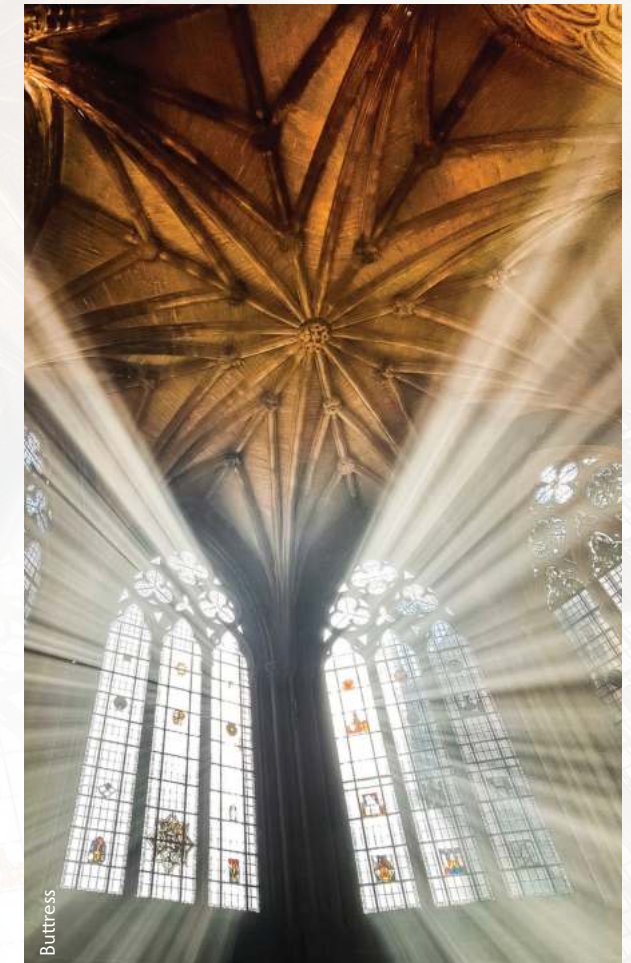
From medieval stone carvings to the wooden 'Mouseman' mice hiding around the Cathedral, there is so much beauty and history here. A legacy dedicated to the Fabric of the Cathedral will help to maintain these wonders for future generations.

Worship/mission

Southwell Minster seeks to minister to all those who walk through its doors, and much more widely. It points to God both in its welcome and in its outreach. A legacy will help our visitor faith engagement, and our outreach to town and county, as well as maturing the faith of those who worship regularly with us.

Learning

Southwell Minster operates an inspiring education programme for all ages, including the award-winning *Time Travelling*, which welcomes over 3,000 school children through our doors each year. These visits ignite what we hope will become a lifelong relationship between members of the local community and the Cathedral.



Pledge Form

Southwell Minster recognises that your legacy intentions are a personal matter which you may wish to keep confidential. However, if you are willing to share your intentions, we would be very grateful if you could complete this Pledge Form.

The Pledge is not legally binding: it is simply a statement of your present intentions, which will assist us in our long-term planning. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence.

You do not have to complete every section.

Title: -----

Forename: -----

Surname: -----

Email: -----

Home address: -----

Postcode: -----

Email: -----

Phone: -----

My intentions:

- I intend to include Southwell Minster in my Will
- I have already included Southwell Minster in my Will
- I would like to find out more about how a legacy can help Southwell Minster. Please contact me.

I would like my legacy to support:

- Unrestricted
- Music
- Fabric
- Mission
- Learning

I intend to leave Southwell Minster:

- A share of my estate
- A cash sum
- A specific gift

Please send this form to: **Legacy Office,
Minster Centre, Church Street, Southwell
NG25 0HD**

Data protection statement

Information supplied on this form will be stored and used in accordance with the Data Protection Act. It will not be shared with third parties and will be used for the purpose of managing Southwell Minster's legacy programme only.

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