"What shall I return to the Lord for all his bounty to me?"



Are you considering making a gift to the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface or to your parish?



FOR IT IS IN GIVING THAT WE RECEIVE.

(St. Francis of Assissi)





WHY PLANNED GIVING?

The Catholic Church is there for you, your family, and your brothers and sisters in faith during the most important moments of your lives. A planned gift to the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, to your parish, or to one of our schools is a thoughtful way to help provide for the faith life of future generations and to uphold what is dear to your heart.

HOW CANTHELP MY CHURCH WITH A PLANNED GIFT?



IMPACT ON YOUR PARISH

Helping the parish to act as a focal point of your community

Supporting faith education

Providing important ministries to future generations

Hiring staff to carry out pastoral activities (e.g. youth ministry and sacramental preparation)

Helping with the costs of the maintenance, repair or construction of facilities



IMPACT ON SCHOOLS

Providing financial aid to Catholic families who are unable to pay tuition fees

Helping schools pay for material and human resources

Helping with the costs of the maintenance, repair or construction of facilities





IMPACT ON YOUR ARCHDIOCESE

Recruiting seminarians, priests and deacons and supporting their formation

Supporting retired priests and those struggling with health issues

Helping the Archdiocese foster spiritual and pastoral renewal and ongoing support services to parishes (Lay Faith Formation and Leadership, Catechetics, Marriage, Family and Respect for Life, Youth Ministry, Social Justice, including ministry for the sick and the elderly, such as pastoral care in hospital and long-term-care settings, refugee sponsorship, prison ministry, help for the poor, etc.)

Providing financial aid to parishes in need and ministry to First Nations Catholics

Providing administrative support to parishes (financial and accounting, human resources, insurance, etc.)

Helping with the costs of the maintenance, repair or construction of facilities

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WHEN CAN I MAKE A PLANNED GIFT?

You can make a planned gift during your lifetime or you can include a gift in your will which takes effect only after you've passed away.

WHICH OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE AND DEFERRED DONATIONS?

Some of the options available are **cash donations**, **donations** of publicly listed securities, gifts in kind, bequests in a will, and beneficiary designations under life insurance policies and registered plans. Your financial advisor, accountant or legal advisor can help you decide which options are more beneficial to you and your loved ones.



WHAT IS THE MOST COMMON WAY OF MAKING A PLANNED GIFT?

Most often, a planned gift is made through a **bequest** left in a will. For many of us, a bequest is the perfect way to make a real difference: we retain the use of our financial assets to meet our needs during our lifetime, but can make a significant gift with a lasting impact when we pass away.

A will is a legal document that contains instructions regarding the distribution of your estate among the persons or charities that you may want to benefit. It names one or more executors who will be responsible for giving effect to your wishes and carrying out the terms of your will. A will made in the context of an estate plan can help ensure that taxes on death are minimized, especially if you include charitable gifts. A will ought to be reviewed on a regular basis and updated when necessary, particularly in light of changes to the law and in your personal circumstances.

WHAT ARE EXAMPLES OF ADVANTAGEOUS PLANNED GIVING?

If you own **publicly listed securities**, you might want to consider donating some to a registered charity such as your parish or the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface. You will receive a tax receipt for the full market value of the securities you donate, plus you will receive an exemption on the capital gains realized on the disposition of those securities.

A beneficiary designation under a **life insurance policy** is another way to make a gift to your Church and leave a lasting impact. Depending on the policy, this may be at a relatively low cost to you.

Again, independent professional advice will help you decide on the options which are most viable and beneficial in your personal circumstances.



SHOULD I DISCUSS MY PLANS WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE?

While you are consulting with your professional advisors and your loved ones or after you have consulted with them, we would really like to meet and discuss your plans with you for four main reasons:

- To provide you with information on the greatest needs of the Archdiocese of Saint Boniface, of your parish or of the school you would like to support
 - To assist in reviewing the terms of your planned gift to ensure that we are able to comply with your wishes
- To thank you appropriately while you are living if your intention is to leave a bequest after you pass away
 - To provide you with the opportunity to be publicly recognized or remain anonymous.

WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Further information can be found on the Archdiocese's website: donate.archsaintboniface.ca

You can also contact the Archdiocese's Development Officer in writing at infogiving@archsaintboniface.ca or by calling the reception desk at 204-237-9851.

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