

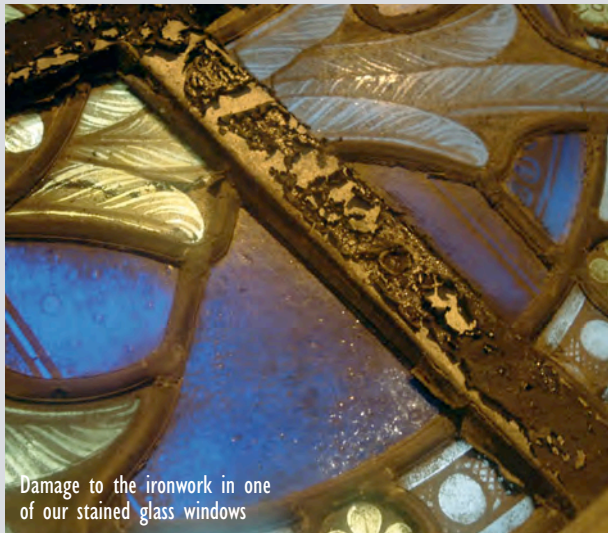
Why should you think about making a Will?

If you die without making a Will, then legal rules will determine how your estate is distributed. The only way to ensure that your wishes are carried out, so that people you love and the good causes you support are taken care of, is to make a Will.

Another benefit of making a Will is that your gift can help to reduce your Inheritance Tax liability. The Cathedral is a charity by Act of Parliament and can therefore receive legacy gifts. These gifts are then deducted from the total estate before inheritance tax is applied and calculated. An Accountant or Financial Adviser will be able to advise you.

Drafting a Will is not as complicated as you may think. A visit to a solicitor will ensure that your beneficiaries will inherit according to your wishes. If you already have a Will but would like to support the Cathedral, a solicitor can help you add a 'codicil'.

It is always important to review your Will on a regular basis, especially if there has been a recent change in your life circumstances (birth of a child or grandchild, divorce, remarriage etc).



Damage to the ironwork in one of our stained glass windows

What sort of legacy shall I leave?

You could make a general bequest to the cathedral, allowing Chapter the flexibility to direct funds where they are most needed, or you may wish to support a specific aspect of cathedral life and ministry, ie worship, music, fabric, education etc. Whichever route you choose you will also need to decide what form that gift will take.

Specific Legacy

You may wish to leave a specific cash sum or a specific item (property, shares, etc) to the cathedral.

Residual Bequest

Individuals can leave the whole residue of their estate, or a percentage of it, after all gifts, taxes and expenses have been paid out, to the Cathedral. Many people choose this type of bequest because this is the gift that is least affected by inflation.

Reversionary Bequest

This is where a share of your estate only passes to the Cathedral after the death of a spouse or relative. This type of legacy protects the needs of your immediate beneficiaries during their lifetimes and only provides for the Cathedral upon their death.

Our Legacies Officer can help you with the precise form of words required.

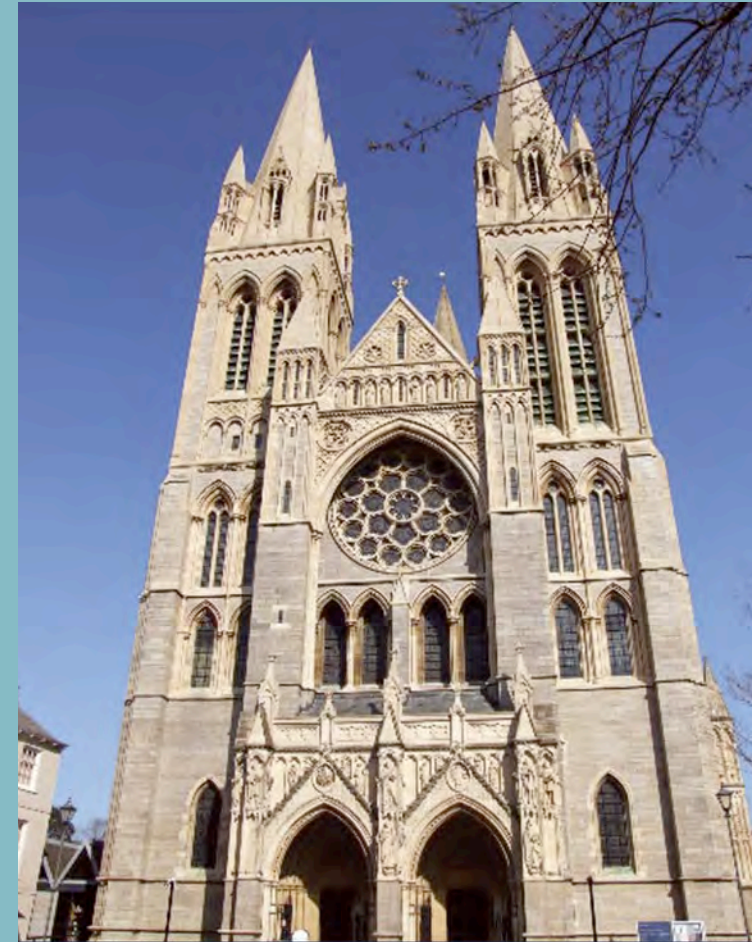
What you can do now!

We hope that after reading this leaflet you will feel inspired to support the work and ministry of Truro Cathedral.

- Contact your solicitor so that you can include Truro Cathedral in your Will.
- If you would like to discuss legacies or an immediate gift, or if you would like a tour of the Cathedral to learn about our long term funding requirements, please contact the Dean or the Legacies Officer on **01872 276782**, or email: dean@trurocathedral.org.uk or by writing to Truro Cathedral Office, 14 St Mary's Street, Truro, TR1 2AF.

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Together, we can have faith in the future

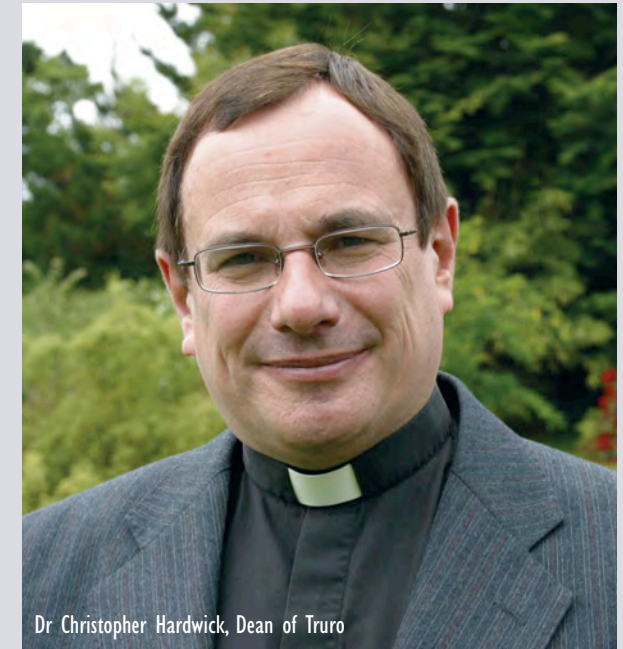


Are you Willing?

A guide to supporting Cornwall's Cathedral in your will



Truro Cathedral
Faith in the Future



Dr Christopher Hardwick, Dean of Truro

Introduction from the Dean of Truro

Truro Cathedral is a very special place for many people. It is a sacred place for worship; of holiness, prayer and pilgrimage, a centre of mission, outreach and engagement with society; of communication and interpretation of the gospel; of musical excellence, meditation and reflection. It is an active Christian community and a place of architectural beauty admired by the people of Cornwall and the very many visitors made welcome each year.

We can be justly proud of past achievements and rejoice that our worship and ministry has touched the lives of many thousands of people as we respond to God's call.

Thank you for considering the gift of a legacy to sustain the ministry and mission of Cornwall's Cathedral into the future. This leaflet shows you how you can support Truro Cathedral in your Will.

Your help would be very much appreciated.



Faith in Worship

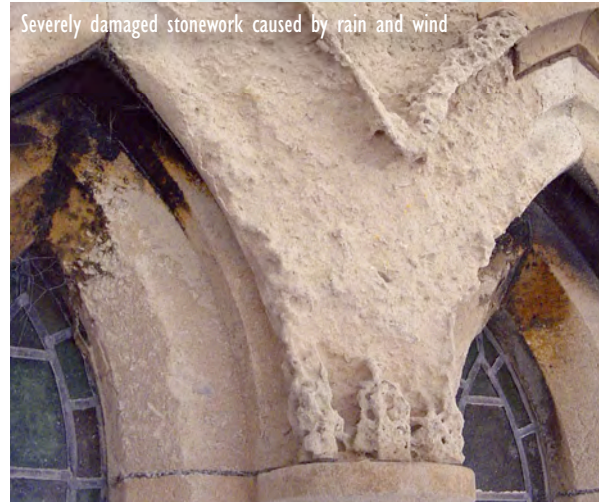
Our Christian Faith is most clearly expressed when we come together in worship. Together we read the Bible - the story of God and his people since time began, and especially the Good News of what he has done for us in Christ. Together we unite in prayer, for ourselves and for the world, and especially for all those who are in need.

Together we share bread and wine as tokens of God's love, and are renewed for mission and service in the world.

Our worship is something that we are justly proud of both in terms of its quality and variety. Over 1,300 different services take place each year in the cathedral, many involving local schools, community groups and organisations. Our clergy also take worship out into the community by leading school assemblies, parish worship, and communion services in retirement homes.



Your generosity today will ensure that future generations will be able to enjoy the love and peace that worship can bring to troubled lives, and that our community will continue to have a dynamic place of worship at its heart.



Faith in the Building

In 1880 when the foundation stone was laid, it was far from certain that the Cathedral would ever be completed. Through hard work and intensive fundraising, and with the faith and support of the people of Cornwall this magnificent building was finally completed after some 30 years. From the moment that first stone was laid we have looked after and maintained this beautiful building and in recent years we have seen major restoration works completed on both the East End and the West Front.

A rolling 15-year programme of repairs and restoration has been undertaken but like the Forth Bridge just when you think you've got to the end, it's time to start all over again! We also have plans to develop some exciting projects that will increase access to the building, improve existing facilities and help develop our mission.

Through your legacies and gifts we will be able to maintain and improve the building, keeping it open over 4,000 hours a year, 365 days a year, for everyone.



Faith in Education

Our school visits attract over 1,000 children a year. They experience the special atmosphere of the Cathedral and gain an insight into its use and function as well as having a bit of fun along the way!

We would like to be able to handle more visits but that really depends on the future development of educational facilities.

Faith in Outreach

The Cathedral is used by many local community groups and organisations for a huge variety of purposes; special services, school visits, concerts, recitals, graduations, awards ceremonies and lectures, to name but a few.

We welcome this contact and are delighted to be of service to the many different groups and organisations that do so much valuable work on behalf of the young, the sick and the vulnerable in our society. We also directly support and champion the work of these organisations. We seek to enter into dialogue with wider society about the values we share that emanate from our Christian faith.



The Spirit of Cornwall Christmas Campaign is an example of a project that promotes the work of community groups as they seek to help vulnerable members of society during a time of year when they can feel most lonely and isolated. This is the type of work we would like to develop.



Faith in Music

The Cathedral Choir is integral to our daily worship. Their musical excellence is recognised both within this country and abroad. The Cathedral Chapter supports the music by providing scholarships to help develop the musical education of young singers and musicians. The Anglican Choral tradition is a precious part of our Christian heritage. Please consider supporting it with a legacy or bequest.

The Willis organ at Truro Cathedral is one of the finest instruments of its type in the world. It is used primarily for worship but also attracts large audiences for our regular lunchtime recital series between March and October.

Help us to keep this wonderful living musical tradition alive and thriving.



Cornwall Junior Choir is supported by Truro Cathedral