

Bequests

A Will - The Simplest Form of Planned Giving

A will is an important document that lets you determine the distribution of your estate. It also offers a variety of creative ways for you to leave a legacy, forever helping St. Michael Parish School.

In your will, you may choose to bequeath to St. Michael Parish School a certain dollar amount, specific property, a percentage of your estate, or whatever is left after your loved ones have been taken care of. You may also wish to name one or more charitable recipients in case your heirs do not survive you.

If you already have a will, your attorney may be able to add a simple amendment (codicil) to provide a gift to St. Michael Parish School, using language similar to this:

GENERAL BEQUEST:

I hereby will, give and bequeath the sum of \$_____ to St. Michael Parish School.

RESIDUE BEQUEST:

I devise and bequeath ___% of the residue of my estate to St. Michael Parish School.

Once you have chosen to name St. Michael Parish School as a recipient in your will, please inform Barbara Intihar, Development Director, at (630) 462-5053, so that we are aware of your bequest and may recognize you as a legacy donor, if you so choose.

St. Michael Parish does not provide advice on tax or legal matters. Because state and federal laws govern many types of planned giving, you should obtain the services of an attorney, accountant or other professional tax and estate advisor.