

It's not the easiest subject to talk about but we really should.

Death, making a Will, planning your funeral, outlining your legacy.

All of these things come under the spotlight in this year's **'Remember a Charity Week'**, which runs from Monday 6 to Sunday 12 September. The dedicated week raises the profile of charitable gifts in Wills and leaving a legacy.

The Archdiocese of Birmingham, which includes your parish, is a charitable organisation and one you could consider leaving a gift to.

The Archdiocese has recently relaunched its legacy programme and associated materials, and these are now available from your parish and [online here](#)

A gift can be left to the Archdiocese, your parish or to a diocesan charity.

As Catholics we have much to be grateful for, not least for the faith that has sustained us throughout our lives and for the community that is our local parish.

It is in the local parish that our faith has developed and been nurtured, where we have received teaching, inspiration and support. We have much to thank our local parishes for.

Why remember your parish in your Will?

- Leaving a legacy to our parish is the logical continuation of a lifetime of giving.
- It is good stewardship and a simple way to ensure the Catholic faith will live on in future generations.
- It is an affordable way to give. If all of us left a gift of just 1% of our estate, this would make a big difference.
- You don't need to be rich to help in this way. Many Catholics have already done so, not just those who are better off.
- All gifts in Wills are tax efficient, as no inheritance tax is paid on a gift to

For the first time the Archdiocese of Birmingham is to host a unique, free festival celebrating the Word of God.

*FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers* will be held at Carr's Lane Centre (Carrs Lane, B4 7SX) and St Michael's Catholic Church (Moor Street, B4 7UG), which are next door to each other in Birmingham city centre, between Thursday 23 and Saturday 25 September.

The word Florilegium means a compilation of excerpts from other writings, from the Latin literally meaning a gathering of flowers, or collection of fine extracts from the body of a larger work, and so provides the perfect name for this year's very special event.

*FLORILEGIUM: A festival of Scripture, Art and Flowers* will be open to the public over three days.

Highlights will include free Scripture resources; a flower trail between the two venues; artwork; workshops; school visits, a lecture and Q&A session; a choral concert by the well-known choir of St Mary's Church, Moseley and celebrations of Mass.

A 'developing flower display' in the form of a 'Tree of Life' will be a key feature, commemorating all those who have died of Covid-19 across the Archdiocese. Visitors will be able to choose a leaf on which to write the name of a loved one, followed by a short prayer, to place on the tree.

Flower displays by schools and churches will be on display drawing inspiration from the autumn season, preparation for COP26 and climate action.

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**Services and Intentions, –September**

**Saturday 4th. 1.00. 23rd. Sunday Year B  
Pat, Tom and Peter Hamilton.**

**Sunday 5th. 11.30. 23rd. Sunday Year B  
Bridget Donaghue. Mick Bannigan.**

**Wednesday 8th. Alice Meager**

**Saturday 11th. 1.00. Aiveen Strathie.**

**Sunday 12th. 11.30. Michael Cronnelly. (24th Sunday.)**

**Wednesday 15th. Julie Ager.& Family**

**Saturday 18th, 1.00. Liz Griffin & Family.**

**Sunday 19th. 11.30 Bronte Rose Dunford. ( 25th Sun.)**

**Wednesday 22nd. Annie Ryan & Family.**

**Saturday 25th. 1.00. Catherine & Eddie Forde & Family.**

**Sunday 26th. 11.30. Family members of Cara Byrne.**

**The time of Wednesday Mass may change to 11.00**

**To facilitate St Anne's School. We will tell you the week before if this is the case.**

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**Sunday 5th. 10.00. Colin Harten.**

**Tuesday 7th. Kay Doherty**

**Friday 10th. Sally Hagan.**

**Sunday 12th. 10.00. Jim Guinan.**

**Tuesday 14th. Kevin Moran.**

**Sunday 19th. 10.00. Peter & Evelyn Treacy.**

**Tuesday 21st. Sally Hagan.**

**Friday 24th. Kathleen Hoey.**

**Sunday 26th. 10.00. Sr. Margaret Bannerton.**