## **Legacy Policy**

## St James Church, Silsden

## Our Vision is to be a Jesus-Shaped Church

At St James Parish Church Silsden, we welcome all gifts in wills, however large or small and we promise to use your gift to make a difference to our parish. Our PCC's Legacy Policy is to use gifts to help fund significant development projects, whether buildings, equipment or staff, to ensure our continued presence and service to God and to the community of Silsden in being a Jesus-shaped church.

Since needs change over the years, we encourage you to leave a gift in your will for the general purposes of the parish rather than for a restricted purpose. We will discuss possible uses of your gift with the executors of your will when the time comes, bearing in mind your known areas of interest in the church (e.g. music, buildings, children and youth, overseas mission or aid) and the church's priorities at the time.

You can be confident that your gift will be used to make a real difference to **the work and future** of St James Church in Silsden and the world.

We acknowledge gifts in whatever way you/the donor and your/their executors feel most appropriate. Equally, we can make sure that gifts remain anonymous if you/the donor prefers.

If you would like to talk to someone in confidence about the sorts of purposes your gift might fund, and how/if you would like your gift to be acknowledged, please speak with one of our Churchwardens – or contact them via email

Email: <a href="mailto:churchwarden2@stjamessilsden.org.uk">churchwarden2@stjamessilsden.org.uk</a>

If you would like to make a gift to our church in memory of a loved one, please come and discuss this with us too. It can be a wonderful and appropriate way to remember a loved one.