

EPISCOPAL CHARITIES OF SOUTHEAST FLORIDA  
*Planned Giving Bulletin Inserts*

WORTH CONSIDERING

A parishioner in another church always writes this little verse on her annual pledge card:

*If I should die before I wake, my estate my pledge will make.*

This is her way of indicating to her church that her will contains a bequest that will continue her annual support after her death. You too can endow your annual support of our parish through a bequest in your will for the Endowment Fund of our beloved church. For more information, write or call the church office and request a copy of our new Heritage Society brochure.

WHY IS IT CALLED PLANNED GIVING?

We often refer to gifts to the church from the estate as Planned Giving as opposed to Capital gifts for renovation or Annual gifts for the ongoing ministry. Through such a Planned Gift, you are planning for the life of your church beyond your own time. For more information about Planned Gift opportunities write or call the parish office and ask for a free copy of the interesting folder The Ministry of Planned Giving.

SOME QUESTIONS WORTH ASKING AND ANSWERING

Do you have a will? Is it up-to-date reflecting your current circumstances and wishes? Have you included a bequest for the parish in your will to help assure this great ministry will continue in the 21<sup>ST</sup> century and beyond? For more information about the importance of a will and of bequest to our parish write or call the church office and ask for a free copy of the helpful folder Preparing to Write Your Will.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE?

Would you like to know more about the whole area of making a gift to the parish through your estate? We have available a very helpful folder, The Ministry of Planned Giving, which reviews all the various Planned Giving methods, including those returning an income for life. To request your free copy, write or call the church office.

## DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE HERITAGE SOCIETY?

For a number of years the Diocese of Southeast Florida has had a Heritage Society as a means of recognizing members and friends who include their parish in their will. An attractive folder is available for the asking, which describes the Heritage Society and the benefits of membership. Write or call the church office today and request your free copy of the Heritage Society folder. You will be glad you did!

## YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN THE HERITAGE SOCIETY!

Membership in the Parish's Chapter of the Heritage Society of the Diocese of Southeast Florida is open to all who include the parish in their estate plan. This can be in the form of a bequest in your will or through a life insurance policy. You can also utilize a planned giving instrument which will return an income to you for life such as a charitable gift annuity. For details call or write the church office and request more information about the Heritage Society.

## IS THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL?

If you have included the parish in your will or in some other manner in your estate plan, then you are eligible for Membership in our parish's Chapter of the Heritage Society of the Diocese of Southeast Florida. Write or phone the Church Office and indicate our parish is in your estate plan and you will automatically be enrolled as a member. If you have not as yet made such a provision for our parish but plan to do so, then ask for a free copy of the Heritage Society Folder which contains some helpful information.

## THE FINAL ACT OF STEWARDSHIP

During our lifetime we are encouraged to be good stewards of all a gracious and loving God has provided to us. This is reflected in our generous giving to His church of our time, our talent and our treasures. But there is also a Final Act of Stewardship which involves including the church in your estate plan through a bequest in your will, assigning a life insurance policy or arranging for a Life Income gift.

The Heritage Society is an informal association of those who have made provisions for this Final Act of Stewardship. There are a number of benefits and privileges but above all you will have the deep satisfaction in knowing you are helping assure the future of our beloved church through your estate gift. Phone or write the the church office today and ask for more information about the Heritage Society.

Join the Heritage Society!

It's easy to join the Heritage Society! All you have to do is to make provision in your estate plan through a bequest in your will, a life insurance policy or a Life Income gift such as a Pooled Income Fund or a Charitable Remainder Trust. Phone or write the the church office today and ask for a complimentary copy of the Heritage Society Folder which details all the benefits of membership.

## REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Some of our members have already done this and we hope others will do so as well. We need to assure the future of our beloved church. Remember what Stanley High said: *The things that I get from my church are not offered anywhere else. And I get along better with those things than without them.* Request your copy of our Heritage Society Folder today.

## HELP ASSURE THE PARISH OF THE 21ST CENTURY!

Will the church be there for our children and our children's children? One way to help assure it will be is by endowing the parish through a bequest in your will or other inclusion in your estate plan. To encourage such provisions the Diocese of Southeast Florida has established the Heritage Society and there is a parish Chapter. Write or phone the church today to request a free copy of the Heritage Society folder which will tell you more about this important program.

## DID YOU KNOW YOU CAN MAKE A GIFT TO THE PARISH AND RECEIVE AN INCOME FOR LIFE?

A number of intriguing gift vehicles exist whereby you can make a gift now to our parish and then receive an income for life from that gift. One is called A Charitable Gift Annuity. Another is a Charitable Remainder Trust, and there are others. They are marvelous ways of helping assure the future of the parish while retaining a needed life income. Call or write the church office today for more information.

## THE MANY BENEFITS OF A LIFE INCOME GIFT

Several of our parish members have made a gift to the church which returns to them an income for life. The benefits of such an arrangement include not only increased income but also tax savings and freedom from management and investment worries and costs. Above all, there is the deep satisfaction of knowing provision has been made to help assure the future of our beloved church. Request a free copy of our folder on life Income Gifts by phoning or writing the church office today.

## THE PARISH CHAPTER OF THE HERITAGE SOCIETY

Listed below are the parish members who, to date, have informed the church that they have included the parish in their estate plan through a bequest in their will, a life insurance policy, a life income gift, etc.

They are eligible, therefore, for membership in the parish Chapter of the Heritage Society of the Diocese of Southeast Florida. We are pleased to thank and honor those members who have made provision in their estate plan to help assure our great ministry will continue in the 21st Century and beyond.

If your name is not listed, but you have already included the parish in your estate plan, please inform the church office. If you would like more information about The Heritage Society write or call the church office and request a free copy of our new Heritage Society folder.

#### AN EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW

One of our generous and concerned members has given her northeastern home to our parish in return for an income for life through a Charitable Remainder Unitrust. She has improved her income and freed herself from maintenance worries and expenses. She also saved on income taxes. But above all she has the great satisfaction of knowing that she has helped assure the future of her beloved church as it will receive the remainder of her trust at her death. Her gift will live on doing good in her church after she is gone. For information about giving houses or other property to our parish call or write the church office and more information will be provided without cost or obligation.

#### HAVE YOUR CAKE AND EAT IT TOO!

Yes, it is possible to have your cake and eat it too if you decide to give your house to our parish and yet continue to live in it during your lifetime. This is called a Life Estate Agreement and can be used for second homes or vacation property as well. You will receive some tax savings in arranging for a Life Estate Agreement but above all you will have the satisfaction of knowing that the proceeds from the sale of your property after your death will benefit your beloved church. For more information about this interesting gift call or write the church office today.

#### A RICH HERITAGE!

We have a rich heritage here in our parish and in the Episcopal Church – a heritage of liturgy, of music, of preaching and teaching the Gospel, of special events and traditions. To assure this heritage continues we have formed Parish Chapter of the Heritage Society of the Diocese of Southeast Florida. It was established to encourage and recognize provisions for in a will or other means. Request your free copy of our new Heritage Society folder by writing or phoning the office today.

#### INVEST IN THE CHURCH OF TOMORROW!

You can invest in our parish of tomorrow by joining the Heritage Society today! The Heritage Society encourages and recognizes provision for this parish of the future through planning an estate gift such as a bequest in your will, a life insurance policy or a Life Income gift. Request your complimentary copy of the Heritage Society folder to learn more about this important program.

## A QUOTE TO REMEMBER

Remember when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that you have received, only what you have given: *a full heart enriched by honest service, love, sacrifice and courage.* St. Francis of Assisi. We give of our talents, time and treasure to our church in gratitude for Gods love and gifts to us. We can also give of our estate through provision for our parish in our will. Our new Heritage Society folder explains how you can help. Request a copy today.

## WORTH REMEMBERING

*No person was ever honored for what he received. Honor has been rewarded for what he gave.* Calvin Coolidge. As Christians we give, not to receive honor, welcome as that may be, but to show thanks to a God who has given us so much. Our gratitude can also be shown in the Final Act of Stewardship by including our beloved church in our will. The new Heritage Society folder provides more information. Ask for a copy.

## THE IMPORTANCE OF A WILL

Regardless of age, personal circumstances, or financial obligations, an up-to-date will allow you to organize your affairs and to remember those you care most about. We hope one you do care most about is our beloved church and that you will include a bequest for our parish in your will. Phone or write the church office to request a copy of the Heritage Society folder which will tell you more about including our parish in your estate plan. It also outlines the many benefits you will receive from Heritage Society membership.