St Mary's Ambleside Legacy Policy – March 2021

We welcome all gifts donated in **Wills** however large or small. We encourage you to leave a gift in your **Will** for the general purposes of the parish rather than for a restricted purpose, and we promise to use your gift to make a difference in our parish. St Mary's Ambleside PCC Legacy policy is to use gifts to help fund significant development projects; whether buildings, equipment, mission or staff because parish needs do change over the years.

For legacies which make it quite clear that the purpose of the fund is RESTRICTED, the PCC shall acknowledge the relevant solicitor's letter accordingly and ensure that the funds are managed correctly.

For legacies that have no specific purpose identified, the PCC will initially discuss possible uses of your gift with your executors when the time comes, bearing in mind your known areas of interest in the church [e.g. music, buildings, children & youth, overseas mission or aid] and the church's priorities at the time. If these enquiries result in no purposes being specified, then it is PCC policy to "DESIGNATE" any funds towards a current need as specified in the 1st paragraph above.

You can be confidant that your gift will be used to make a real difference to the future mission and ministry of this parish.

As stated above, the PCC shall acknowledge ALL legacies with a letter of thanks to the relevant executors