

*I will
never
fail
you
nor
forsake
you...*

DAY AND NIGHT DON BOSCO
DREAMED UP NEW PROJECTS,
SPREAD THE MISSIONARY SPIRIT
THROUGH THE SALESIAN BULLETIN,
LOOKED FOR RESOURCES, AND
CULTIVATED RELATIONSHIPS THAT MADE
THE WORK OF THE MISSIONARIES EASIER.

Legacy booklet



Salesian Missions Ireland
Don Bosco Aid

For many people, making a Will allows them to care for those they love when they are gone from this world. After you've taken care of your family, friends and loved ones, would you consider leaving a gift to the work of the Salesian Congregation of Don Bosco?



Leaving a gift in your will

Every day, Salesian Priests, Brothers, Sisters and Lay co-workers serve thousands of vulnerable young people around the world. Salesian work occurs in parishes, schools, universities, hospitals, clinics, refugee camps, residential homes, and shelters spread over 133 countries. **Salesians carry out their work as part of the global mission of the Catholic church and in the spirit of our founder Don Bosco.**

Don Bosco himself was born into an economically poor family. With the support of a





Your legacy gift can make a real difference:

loving mother, and sponsors who believed in him, he studied to become a priest and chose to dedicate his energies and skills to helping young people, especially the poorest. As Salesians we continue his work today.

Our mission focuses on rebuilding lives and helping young people reach their potentials. Education and evangelisation are at the centre of our mission.

In supporting the work of the Salesians of Don Bosco, you can be assured that your gift will make a difference.

Bequests, both large and small, have over the years, been an important source of support for Don Bosco's work and support for youth from poverty-stricken backgrounds. It is an act of generosity that can continue into future generations. Such a gift enables you to continue your care of poor people in less developed countries, help educate many needy children and touch the lives of many young persons.

You may also wish to designate your gift to support the training of Salesians themselves. When you sponsor a young man in training for the Salesian way of life, whether as a Brother or a Priest, you are helping to build the Church and keep alive the dream of Don Bosco.

As the Salesian province in Ireland, we work through our development/mission office known as Don Bosco Aid. Reports on our work ►

and projects we support are available online at:

www.salesiansireland.ie

or copies can be provided from the DBA office,
**Salesian Provincial House,
45 St Teresa's Road, Crumlin,
D12 XK52 or (01) 465 07 17.**

By naming Salesian Mission Office Ireland/Don Bosco Aid as the beneficiary of a fixed cash amount or a percentage of the estate, we will ensure that the funds are dispersed in line with your instructions.

What Salesians do

The first and principal beneficiaries of our mission are the young, especially the poorest of them, young workers and those preparing themselves for work, and apostolic vocations.

The activities and works by means of which we Salesians carry out our mission, depend on the needs and situations of the people whom we serve. We strive to work in line with the vision of the Sustainable Development Goals of addressing inequalities and focusing on 'leaving no one behind and reaching the furthest behind first'.

DON BOSCO TREATED ALL FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AS AN EXERCISE OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE, BELIEVING AND PRAYING THAT IT WOULD BRING BENEFITS TO THE BENEFACTOR AS WELL AS TO THE BENEFICIARY. HE BUILT STRUCTURES, BUT EVEN MORE WANTED TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS, CREATING A SENSE OF SHARED COMMUNION, SOCIAL JUSTICE, AND SOLIDARITY. AS SALESIANS WE KEEP OUR BENEFACTORS IN OUR PRAYERS, RECOGNISING THAT WITHOUT YOU WE COULD NOT DO THE WORK WE DO AND CONTINUE THE WORK OF GOD'S KINGDOM.



Photos: Salesians



Inspired by Gospel values, guided by the principles of Human Rights and motivated by our Salesian heritage our presences come in many shapes and forms:

- Religious communities and formation houses,
- The Salesian Oratory and Youth Centre,
- The school and Professional (technical) training,
- Institutes of higher education including agricultural colleges, hostels and university residences, chaplaincy services,
- Residential accommodation and hostel arrangements,
- Support services for accepting young people without family or who are temporarily estranged from family, for migrants and refugees,
- Development offices and support for humanitarian emergencies,
- The parish,
- Social services and works for youth-at-risk,
- Social media and virtual presences,
- Youth Movements such as:
 - Don Bosco Green Alliance,
 - The Salesian Youth Movement,
 - Salesian Past Pupils,
 - Salesian Co-operators,
 - Salesian Volunteer Movement, just to name a few.

What Salesians do

Types of Charitable gifts

We as Salesians believe it is a priority that you take care of your loved ones first, so any amount or type of gift you choose to leave will be hugely appreciated. Salesian Missions Ireland/ Don Bosco Aid is a registered Irish Charity with a Registered Charity Number (RCN). It also holds a up to date charitable tax exemption status or CHY Revenue Number. This means that any gift to us is tax free or tax exempt.

The legal information on our charity is contained in the boxes provided. Our registered information with that of other registered charities in Ireland can also be found on the Charity Regulatory website: <https://www.charitiesregulator.ie/en/information-for-the-public/search-the-register-of-charities>.

It is advisable to quote the Registered Charity Number (RCN) in your will to ensure that your gift goes to the correct charity. This should be accompanied by the correct address of the charity's principal location which in our case is the Salesian Provincial House, Eircode D12 XK52. It is also advised to inform the charity or charities that you have included them in your will.

There are three different types of gifts or legacies that are most commonly given through Wills to bodies such as ours:



RESIDUARY GIFT

Your residuary estate, or residue, is what remains of your total estate after deducting any debts, taxes or expenses that are due and the value of any specific legacies that you have made in your will. You could then leave all, or a percentage, of the residue to a charity in the knowledge that you have already taken care of the people closest to you.



PECUNIARY GIFT

It is a specific or fixed amount of money.



SPECIFIC GIFT

such as a piece of jewellery, or property or shares etc.

Once you have decided you would like to include a charity in your will, and then which gift you would like to leave, you may wish to make an appointment with your solicitor to prepare your Will. They will advise you of any tax implications, but unlike when you leave parts of your estate to friends and family, leaving a legacy gift to Salesian Missions Ireland is tax free.



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Using a Codicil to amend an Existing Will

When you would like to make some relatively simple and straightforward amendments or alterations to your Will, but you do not wish to create a new Will, you can use a codicil to do so.

Thus, if you have already made a Will and now wish to make a gift to a charity you can do so by using a codicil without having to draft an entirely new Will. Your solicitor can advise you on this.

Steps to consider when drafting a legacy gift in your Will:

CHOOSE YOUR SOLICITOR

It is advisable to use a solicitor to make or amend your existing will. If you do not have one already, you make wish to ask a trusted family or friends to recommend one, or visit The Law Society's online directory:

<https://www.lawsociety.ie/Find-a-Solicitor>

CHOOSE YOUR EXECUTORS

Executors are the individuals and/or organisations that administer your estate when you die. Their task is to carry out the instructions in your Will. It is recommended that you appoint at least two Executors. You may also wish to check with them if they feel comfortable and capable of fulfilling that role.

WORK OUT THE VALUE OF YOUR ESTATE

1. Make a list of all your assets and their approximate value, i.e. property, car, savings, insurance policies etc.

ASSETS

2. Make a list of all your liabilities, i.e. outstanding bills, mortgage, other loans, overdraft, credit cards, funeral expenses

LIABILITIES

3. The total value of your assets minus your liabilities will provide the value of your estate.

TOTAL VALUE

CONSIDER HOW YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR ESTATE DIVIDED

At its simplest this involves 3 sets of calculations: Decide who you would like to provide for and what you want them to receive, from friends and family to charities and causes that are close to your heart. Bear in mind obligations to the people who are close to you. Each gift may take the form of a specific amount of money, or a percentage of the residue or a specific item.

OPTIONAL STEP

Finally, if you choose to do so, ask your solicitor to include Salesian Missions Ireland/Don Bosco Aid in your Will. The Information and wording below may help you and your solicitor or you may wish to contact our office directly first to talk it through. Whatever your decision we are very grateful for considering us a charity and ask you to keep us in your prayers.



You may find it helpful to record the information resulting from the above steps to bring with you when you visit your solicitor/ will maker to formally draw up your Will or to amend an existing one. Your solicitor will should advise you in terms of the tax implications of leaving legacies to family, friends, or charities.

For us Salesians, Mary, the Mother of Jesus is our model. She recognised her unique mission, a supportive one. "They have no wine," she said to Jesus¹. In response to her intervention, Jesus performed his very first miracle. She continues to

be our guide and inspiration for the Mission entrusted by Jesus in the dream at nine to Don Bosco. We as his followers will always strive to bring the good news of Jesus to all peoples and becoming the agent of his bountiful love where it is most needed². We also ask Mary to protect you and your loved ones.

¹ Jn 2:3

² Const. 2



For Your Solicitor or Will writer

Should you make the very generous decision to leave a gift in your Will to Salesian Missions, a solicitor will be best placed to make or amend your Will and ensure that your desires are met. All the details they will need are here:

Salesian Missions Ireland (Don Bosco Aid)

Address:
Salesian Missions Ireland / Don
Bosco Aid, Salesian Provincial House,
45 St Teresa's Road, Crumlin, Dublin,
Ireland, D12 XK52

Registered Charity Number:
20006518

Registered Revenue Number:
CHY 4862

Precedent clause for a Will

I GIVE the sum of €xx (sum in words) to Salesian Missions Ireland /Don Bosco Aid, Registered Charity Number: 20006518 (CHY 4862) of DBA Office, Salesian Provincial House, 45 St Teresa's Road, Crumlin, Dublin, Ireland, D12 XK52* for the general purposes** of the said charity and I direct that a receipt by the treasurer or other proper officer of the said charity shall be sufficient discharge for my executors in the payment of this legacy. If, at the date of my death, the said charity has ceased to exist or has amalgamated or become incorporated with another charity or has changed its name, then this legacy shall not fail, but my executors shall pay the legacy to such charity as they consider most nearly fulfils the objects of that which I intended to benefit.***

Notes:

- * *A testator (person making Will) may wish to leave a gift to a particular Ireland/ International province/country of the charity and in which case the branch address should be inserted.*
- ** *If testator may wish to leave a gift to the charity specifically for care of/training of Salesian Priests and Brothers or to a specific project or purpose (eg evangelisation, education, chaplaincy, pastoral care etc), this can be named here*
- *** *If a charity changes its name or becomes amalgamated into another charity, this provision allows the executors to leave the gift to a kindred charity.*

Residuary bequest (to leave an amount or % remainder of your estate to Salesians)

"I give devise and bequeath all (or a ___% share of) the rest, residue and remainder of my property of every description whatsoever and wheresoever situate to Salesian Missions Ireland/Don Bosco Aid, Salesian Provincial House, 45 St Teresa's Road, Crumlin, Dublin, D12 XK52, registered Charity Number 20006518 (CHY 4862) to be used for its general charitable purposes. I direct that a receipt from the Economist for the time being or other duly authorised officer of Salesians Ireland/Missions shall be sufficient discharge to my Executor(s).

Remembering any charity in your will is a great act of personal generosity and compassion that continues your support of that charity or cause into the future. Your legacy will help us Salesians make a difference in the lives of young people into the future.

We thank you for considering us and feel free to contact our DBA office,
Salesian Provincial House, 45 St Teresa's Road, Crumlin, D12 XK52 or (01) 4650717, Email: dba@salesians.ie



*“Be content with what you have;
for God has said,
‘I will never fail you nor forsake you’ ...
Do not neglect to do good and to share
what you have, for such sacrifices
are pleasing to God.”*

(Heb 13, 5.16)