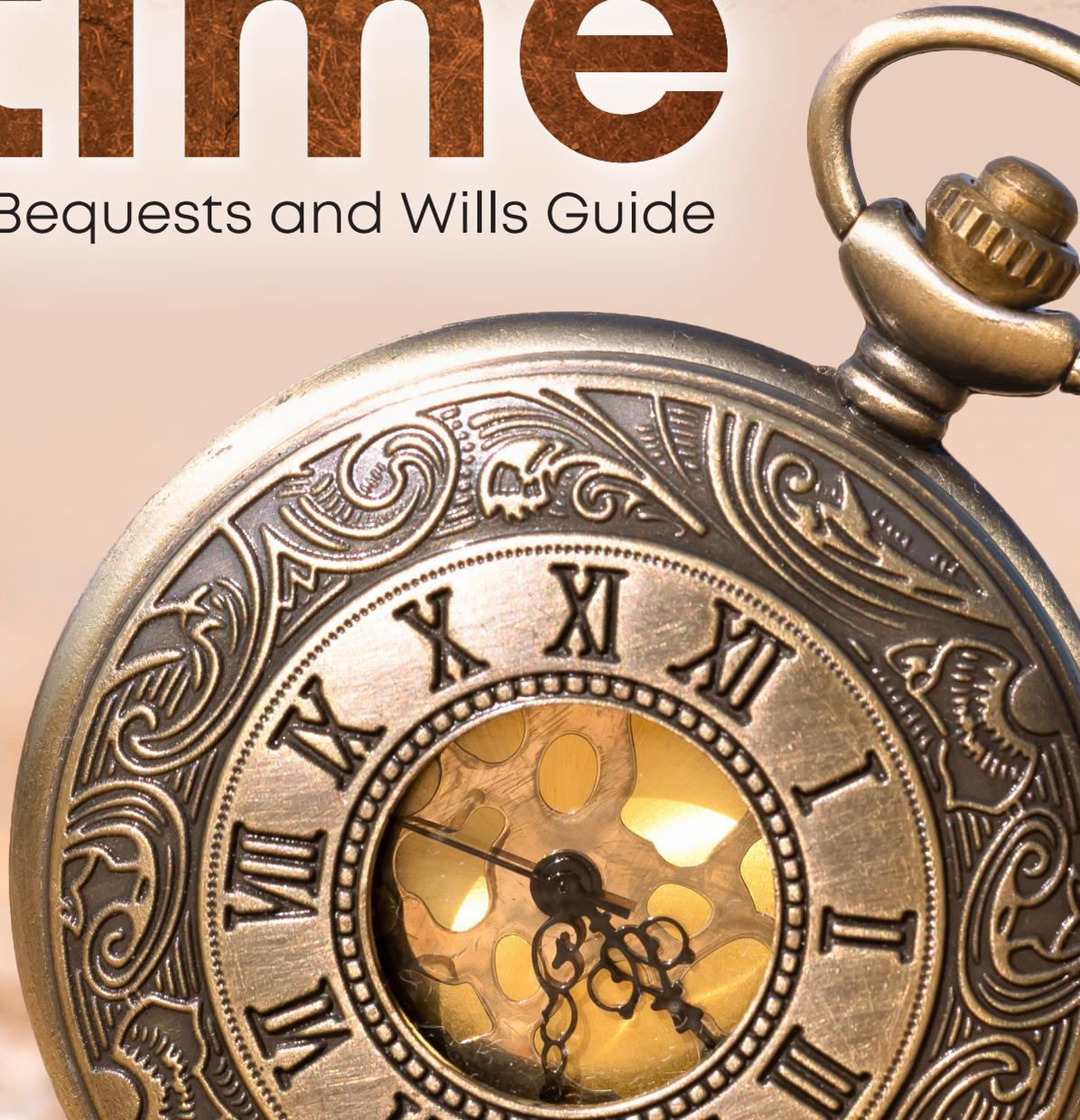


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Our Catholic Mass



Recently Ordained Priests

Our Catholic faith and works

Today's Catholics in Sydney continue to support our agencies like the Charitable Works Fund, the Priests' Retirement Foundation and the St Mary's Cathedral National Trust.



Dear Friends,

Our Catholic faith, and our works, have shaped our history for 2,000 years and continue to do so today, both in Sydney and beyond.

Inspired by the teachings of Jesus, our faith has moved Christians to bring about charity and love in the world, which has led to the conversion of nations.

Our moral codes and canon laws have influenced legal systems across Europe, and beyond.

Institutions like schools, hospitals, aged-care facilities and many others have all largely stemmed from our Catholic tradition.

Disciplines like philosophy, astronomy, science and medicine were either strengthened or born from our Catholic milieu.

There is no doubt Catholics have many challenges at present.

However, there is also a tremendous amount of good born

from our Church, and remains offered to the wider community.

Today, Catholics in Sydney continue to support our agencies like the Charitable Works Fund, the Priests' Retirement Foundation and the St Mary's Cathedral National Trust.

This in turn continues our works of healing the sick, housing the homeless and caring for our elders.

It supports our mission of providing future priests, and catechising Catholic students in State schools.

It provides material support to sustain our iconic places of worship, like St Mary's Cathedral and preserves our Catholic art, which conveys our story and truth.

These works have supported people around the world for 2,000 years, and I ask you today to please continue this ministry, so that future generations may also come to know and encounter Jesus.

May I take this opportunity to thank you for taking the time to read our Catholic story, and for further considering your role in building our Church for tomorrow.

Thank you and God bless!



Michael Mendieta
Director, Development and
Fundraising Office - Catholic
Archdiocese of Sydney



St Mary's Cathedral National Trust

Over many years, Catholics, Christians, visitors and admirers of our Cathedral have made possible the building of St Mary's Cathedral through their generous gifts left to this magnificent heritage building.

Since then, similar generosity is what has preserved and cared for the Cathedral which we use today to pray, seek refuge and adore our faith.

The conservation program that protects St Mary's Cathedral is in ongoing need, as the Cathedral endures years of natural elements and human interferences.

In recent years works have included:

- Stone restoration
- Replacing roof tiles
- Conserving the Stations of the Cross
- and much more

With your support, St Mary's Cathedral can be protected and assured to last for generations to come. Serving as the heart of the Catholic faith in Sydney, the iconic Cathedral requires continual updates, maintenance and restoration.

If the Cathedral holds a place in your heart or your family's, consider remembering St Mary's Cathedral in your Will, where you can leave a lasting legacy in Sydney for the generations of people to come.

THE CHURCH CONTINUES THIS MINISTRY AND INVITES YOU TO JOIN US

The Seminary of the Good Shepherd

The heart and future of the Catholic Church in Sydney begins here—at the Seminary of the Good Shepherd and the Redemptoris Mater Seminary.

It is the training ground for future priests and deacons of the Archdiocese of Sydney and surrounding dioceses of NSW.

These seminaries are places of “intense formation”. They seek to develop men strong in faith, hope

and love who are willing to give their lives to their Lord and the ones that they have been called to serve.

Your donation will:

- cover the daily living expenses of these seminaries which serve as houses of spiritual growth, character development and brotherhood.
- support the pastoral formation of seminarians at the Catholic Institute of Sydney.



The Seminary needs your help to form our future priests for generations to come.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.



The formation of our Catholic children in public schools is strengthened through the volunteer catechists that are trained and supported by

The Confraternity of Christian Doctrine

the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine (CCD). Since its formation in 1958, CCD Sydney has taught over 1 million students and every week, a dedicated team of over 2,300 catechists travel across NSW bringing the Good News to 30,000 children in over 400 schools. Using a pedagogy of inductive and deductive reasoning the curriculum introduces students to the love of God, the truths of the faith and opens up the pathway to the

Sacraments

Your donation will:

- develop programs and resources to help spread the Gospel to children.
- provide quality training and professional development to catechists.

CCD needs your help to teach the Catholic faith to children in public schools.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.

Aboriginal Catholic Ministry

The Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (ACM) provides pastoral care and support to Sydney’s Catholic Aboriginals.

In his historic Alice Springs address in 1986, Pope St John Paul II said “the church in Australia would not reach its potential until Aboriginal people had made their contribution to her life”. ACM seeks to make this hope a reality. Operating from two premises, Reconciliation Church and its Alexandria Office, the ACM offers a range of services including Sacramental preparation,

monthly cultural Mass, prayer resources, support with funerals and baptisms, prayer groups and pastoral support.

The Ministry also provides an interface between Indigenous Catholics and the wider Catholic and political community. They connect Aboriginal educators and speakers with schools and parishes. Where necessary, the ACM will act as advocates and provide counselling services and practical aid.

The ACM hopes to build ties with



Nungalyina and Wontulp Bi Buya Indigenous theological colleges to support the spiritual development of Indigenous Catholics in Sydney.

Help our Sydney Aboriginal Catholic reach their full potential.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.

CatholicCare

With more than 100 programs running to assist those in need, CatholicCare is the social services agency of the Archdiocese of Sydney.

Every day CatholicCare's 600 staff and nearly 200 volunteers work to strengthen families, individuals and build community from their sites at Bankstown, Belmore, Cabramatta, Fairfield, Lakemba, Lewisham, Liverpool, Woolloomooloo and Sydney.

Every age has its own invisible people and since its beginning in

1941, CatholicCare has cared for those who have no one else. Following the example of Christ, their programs seek to assist anyone in need; those struggling with their marriage, new parents, crisis pregnancy support, the elderly, the disabled, the unemployed, children in need of foster homes and those afflicted with gambling, addiction or poor mental health. In 2018, with the introduction of CCareline telephone service, CatholicCare received over 20,000 calls for help.

Marriage breakdown, mental



health issues and an ageing population are on the rise, and the need for support is only going to increase.

CatholicCare hopes to expand their services across NSW, but to do this, they need your help.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.



The Ephpheta Centre is a special ministry for the deaf and hard of hearing run by the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney, and supported by the dio-

ceses of Parramatta and Broken Bay.

The Centre organises weekly Mass in Auslan (Australian sign language) as well as social and pastoral outreach including a youth group, women's group, men's group, craft group and home visits.

For 40 years, Ephpheta has opened the riches of the Catholic faith to the deaf community of Sydney and hopes to do so for another 40 years.

Your donation will:

- support a wide range of initiatives

The Ephpheta Centre

for the deaf and hard of hearing including men's, women's, youth, craft and other interests groups

- help train seminarians and priests in Auslan so the sacraments can be more accessible for the deaf and hard of hearing Catholic community.

The Ephpheta Centre needs your help to spread the Catholic faith to those that are deaf and hard of hearing.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.

Priests' Retirement Foundation

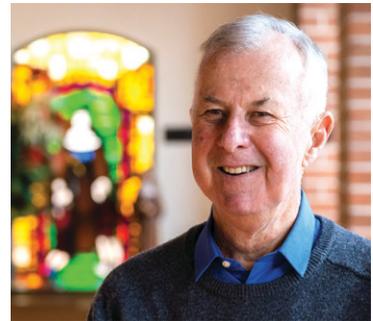
The Priests' Retirement Foundation of the Archdiocese of Sydney ensures all priests can receive the accommodation, health care and support they need in their retirement. There are now over 75 retired priests in Sydney, many of whom worked long into their 70's, caring for the spiritual life and welfare of their people.

The Archdiocese gives two dollars for every dollar contributed to the Priests' Retirement Foundation.

The Priests' Retirement Foundation covers needs such as:

- Convalescence care.
- Nursing home and hostel care for frail priests.
- Assistance in transitioning to retirement.
- Health insurance.
- Medical and dental expenses.
- Assistance with board and lodging expenses.

Our retired priests have given so much to us, and the



Priests' Retirement Foundation is an opportunity to give back.

Consider leaving a legacy gift today.



OUR FAITH, OUR WORKS

Charities in the Catholic Archdiocese of Sydney

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- Aboriginal Catholic Ministry
- Ephpheta Centre
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- Redemptoris Mater Seminary
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St Mary's Cathedral

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Giving to others is the greatest gift

By Peter Rosengren

Years ago, I was talking to a priest, a friend I was able to catch up with regularly. I enjoyed his conversation and we were able to talk about pretty much anything. He had, I felt, a way of sometimes saying things simply – yet they were apparently simple remarks that seemed to be at the same time very deep and left me wondering. On more than a few occasions I would find myself thinking regularly for days afterwards about something he had said, almost in passing, but which came back to occupy my thoughts.

One day I found myself telling him how I worried sometimes about our family, how – if I were to die unexpectedly – they would fare. It might have been that the thought came sometime after something like that had occurred somewhere in our circle of acquaintances or social connections. Such tragedies do take place, the sudden unexpected death of a young father or mother leaving a family distraught and bereft, bludgeoned by death's brutal reality.

He was quiet for a moment. "But you can always help them much better from heaven," he said with a quiet smile. I thought about that for a long time afterwards. Of course, I was putting too much stock on

my own importance, imagining that I was essential to the future lives of my wife and children even though they would be devastated if something like that actually happened. But of course, he was right. We don't see it or realise it in this life because daily life is pretty much all we ever see and experience: the daily grind of the commute, the rush to get home, sick children, bills to pay, the thousand-and-one pressures of work, family issues – the list is never-ending. The other world, even when we have faith, can seem like just an idea. Yet as someone once pointed out, to be a Christian is to have the power to draw, in an instant, on nothing less than the power of heaven itself whenever we need it – just by praying.

My friend was right. Even after death, we remain intimately connected to and aware of this life, especially those we were closest too and loved the most. Moreover, our ability to help them increases way beyond anything we can imagine in this life. But exactly the same principle applies to the other ways we can continue to help others after we have returned to our true homeland of heaven. Simple, practical steps like bequests, updating a Will to include some missionary working in another country



You may consider helping others by leaving a bequest or updating a Will to help some missionary working with the underprivileged, your church or even a retired priest.

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where the Church has little or no resources, or the Church we knew in this country – our parish, our diocese, the retired priests and religious who gave their lives to the Church without any expectation of financial reward but who need support in their old age, a charity working with the poor and the homeless, those living beyond the conventional boundaries.

If we look into our hearts and think about what especially moves us when we contemplate the needs of others after we've gone, we'll easily see where God may be prompting us to do good from beyond this life. Perhaps it's an outreach providing healthcare and nursing to those living on the margins, perhaps it's a charity devoted to elevating human dignity in parts of the world where human dignity is almost an alien term and there is indifference to vast swathes of poverty and those forced to

live in it. Time is a gift. How we use it matters. The best way to use it is for the benefit of others because in them we see ourselves, we understand their plights and their situations, we have sympathy, we are moved to do something that many other people sadly don't, we are moved to give.

Too often, we don't think practically about our dying and what comes after, or our thoughts are focused only on what comes after for ourselves alone. Of course, as great saints of the Church have discovered and rediscovered down through every generation that's a great spiritual exercise which can radically re-orient our lives in the most positive ways. However, we can improve on that by thinking also, of how we might help those who, as they continue to journey through their own lives, can still benefit from our actions long after we've gone.

Just one percent can make a difference

A gift as little as 1% of your estate can fund one of the MSC Mission Office's many projects to improve the lives of thousands of people in developing countries as well as Australia.

Please consider how a gift in your Will could change lives. Your gift could fund drilling village wells in Sudan and provide fresh water and agriculture for years to come. Your bequest could support projects at the MSC Centre for the Poor in the Philippines to train indigenous farmers how to grow more food or to develop seed banks for self-reliance. Your gift could also help in the formation of new missionary priests in Cameroon so that the Church's vital work continues into the future.

We have many projects that need funding in the future including in Papua New Guinea, Kirabati, Fiji, India, Africa. They are sound, life-changing projects and they carry out our Christian good works where there is acute need. Our MSC Mission Office is one of the most efficient charities with around 10% of funds spent on administration ensuring the bulk of money raised is used helping others.

Some examples of how bequest gifts have been used in the past:

- Purchasing a dozen computers, accessories and their installation for our Mission school in the Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Building a shelter, drilling a well, providing a water tank and building toilet facilities at the Mogapeng village, Ngwabitsi Catholic Mission South Africa
- Meeting hall or Maneaba at Chevalier College Kiribati (formerly Gilbert Islands)
- Solar panel installation to provide lights at our seminary in DR Congo to help students study
- New classrooms and amenities at Keyser College Nauru
- School classrooms, science lab and teacher accommodation at Dindigul School, India

Each day you will be remembered in the community prayers of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart, as well as the people in the Missions





May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere Loved

OUR MISSION

The mission and identity of the Church is to evangelise. Jesus told us "to go into the whole world and proclaim the Good News". The MSC Mission Office does this primarily through our projects to assist people with water, youth education and training, health, and environment; to support others in mission through direct assistance, formation of priests and religious and general mission support. Our proclamation is done in a practical, hands on and down to earth manner. We can only do this with the help of many donors.

WHAT WE DO

The MSC Mission Office carries out lifechanging projects in over 20 countries including Africa, Asia, the Pacific and Australia and the many needs are exacerbated by the Covid pandemic. The Mission Office Board carefully evaluates all project submissions and oversees these works to completion. Please see our website for further information. We are grateful for generous supporters including donations and gifts in Wills, and on average 90% of funds raised are spent on projects, and donations of any amount are welcome as are your prayers.



A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

Please consider how you could help the work of the MSC Mission Office by including a gift in your Will through:

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- A percentage of your estate, 1% or more
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Phone Father Roger for a confidential discussion or email our office for an Information Pack.

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The Australian foundation for the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross



Help the education of priests in Rome!

Close to the Pope and experiencing each day the universality of the Church, about 1,500 priests and seminarians from over 90 countries are enrolled at the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross, which began in 1984 and was granted University status by St John Paul II in 1998.

The Australian Foundation for the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross was set up in Sydney in 1999 to provide assistance to priests from poor nations studying at the University. So far it has granted 42 scholarships, among them to the priests shown at the right.

Pope Francis said that "Priestly formation is decisive for the mission of the Church; the renewal of the Faith is possible only if we have well-formed priests." The Holy Father recently gave over \$1million for scholarships to assist priests and seminarians studying at any pontifical university in Rome.

Please make a bequest on your will or send a donation to the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross Foundation for the higher education of priests in Rome at the details below:

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Email: pontiuni.au@gmail.com

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If you would like to consider leaving something in your Will towards the Pontifical University of the Holy Cross, please contact us.



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Bequests benefiting generations of young Australians

The legacy of the philanthropist Paul Ramsay

By Staff Writers

Catholics wondering what difference a bequest could make should look no further than the legacy of philanthropist Paul Ramsay.

A “man for others” who attended St Ignatius’ College, Riverview, before going on to found Ramsay Health Care, Ramsay was known for his support of philanthropic causes and was made an Officer of the Order of Australia in 2002 for his charitable contributions.

Upon his death in 2014 Ramsay left a bequest of more than \$3 billion, the single biggest donation in Australia’s history, to his personal foundation.

The Paul Ramsay Foundation, founded in 2006, has paid out more than \$600 million in partnership grants to break cycles of educational and health disadvantage.

In 2021 it was Australia’s largest private source of philanthropic donations, totaling some \$169 million. Partners include the Black Dog Institute, Teach for Australia and the Clontarf Foundation.

“Initiatives supported by the Foundation reflect the humility, integrity and values of our founder, Paul Ramsay,” states the Foundation’s website.



Campion College, one of the Universities that benefited from The Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation foundation. Pictured here are students with Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP and John Howard, chairman of the Ramsay Institute in 2018.

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In 2017 Paul Ramsay’s desire to see the study of the liberal arts rejuvenated in Australia was fulfilled, with the launch of the Ramsay Centre for Western Civilisation.

The Ramsay Centre offers degrees in Western Civilisation at the Australian Catholic University, University of Queensland and University of Wollongong, and scholarships to support both under-

graduate and postgraduate students.

In addition to the Centre’s university partnerships, Ramsay’s bequest also supports public lectures, a summer programme and various corporate and academic symposia.

At the Centre’s launch former Prime Minister Tony Abbott said, “The creation of the Centre is the first step in fulfill-

ing Paul’s wish, who believed very strongly that the Golden Age is before us, not behind us, if we hold on to the values that have made this country great.”

Bequests are an enduring way for each generation to ensure its contribution is passed on to the next. In Ramsay’s case, his final act of philanthropy continues to benefit generations of young Australians.

CHECK LIST

It's a good idea before making an appointment to prepare your will, to take along as many details about yourself as possible for your Solicitor. Additionally write down your decisions as to the disbursement of your estate. Keep this information along with a copy of your will in a safe place.

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