

About Pax Christi

‘People putting peace into action’

Pax Christi is an international Catholic peacemaking movement, based on the gospel and inspired by faith and Catholic Social Teaching. Our vision is of a world where people can live in peace and without fear of violence, in all its forms.

We believe in the power of prayer, reconciliation, forgiveness, justice and nonviolence and in the right to live in a culture which promotes these values and treats the whole of God’s creation in a respectful and just manner.

Pax Christi works within the Church and wider community to bring about a culture of peace. We work with other individuals and organisations to bring the Peace of Christ to all who long for a better world and are willing to put peace into action.



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Leave a Legacy of Peace



Remembering Pax Christi in your will means you can continue to work for peace after your own lifetime.

A legacy of peace



Making your will

A legacy of peace is a gift in your will to Pax Christi. Whilst it is important to provide for your family and friends, many people choose to leave a legacy to ensure that the cause they have supported during their lifetime can continue. Pax Christi has benefited from more than £100,000 donated in legacies since 2000 which have helped to fund our core work.

You do not have to be well-off to leave a legacy. Many people who leave legacies have had to watch their spending carefully throughout life. It is only when they come to make their will that they find they can unlock their assets to benefit others and fund the causes they love and value.

With a gift in your will you can leave a mark on the world. Working for peace has never been more important than in our world today. Pax Christi works within the Church and wider community by being a prophetic witness to peace and standing against violence in all its forms.

By leaving a legacy you can ensure that your voice is heard long after you have gone. A legacy could be the most far-reaching gift you ever make.

‘Blessed are the peacemakers: they will be recognised as children of God.’

Matthew 5:9



Making a will need not be expensive or complicated - but do ask a qualified solicitor to draw up your will.

Once you have made your will, it is crucial to review it occasionally to ensure it still reflects your wishes and takes into account any changes in your life. The birth of a grandchild or a change in your marital status might affect how your original intentions can be met and/or prolong the probate of your will

Your solicitor will guide you as to how to include a legacy in your will. You may choose to leave a pecuniary legacy, which is a specific sum, or a residuary legacy, which is all or a percentage share of the residue of your estate. If you already have a will, you may add a codicil, which is a simple amendment to an existing will.

Trudie Thompson was a life-long Pax Christi member, sharing with us her gifts and skills as an artist as well as her faithful work for peace and with refugees in Middlesbrough. Trudie also made a generous legacy to Pax Christi when she died.

