Please Let Us Know
If you decide to name the Sisterhood in your will, we would be pleased to know about it. It is encouraging to us to know that our future Sisters will have the support of friends like you who want to give an inspired legacy to the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine. You can contact Sister Doreen, we look forward to hearing from you.

Questions?
If you have any questions, again, please contact Sister Doreen at the address, e-mail, or phone number below.

When you arrange to make a bequest or other gift to the Sisterhood, please give your lawyer or insurance agent the legal name of *The Sisterhood of St. John the Divine*, and our corporate address listed below.

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Gift Planning
Legacy Options

**Naming the Sisterhood in your will:** You may leave a specific amount of money, a percentage of the residue of your estate, or specific assets (e.g. securities, real estate). It requires only a sentence in your will – for instance, “I leave to the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine $100,000” Unrestricted donations are the most helpful to us, but if you wish, you may indicate a preferred use for your gift. (If you would like to do this, please contact Sister Doreen for suggestions.)

Your estate will receive a receipt for the full value of your bequest, which will significantly affect the tax payable by your estate.

**A Gift of Life Insurance:**

Naming the Sisterhood of St. John the Divine as the beneficiary in an existing or new policy will provide a significant future gift to the Sisterhood at a relatively modest cost to you in the present.

Your estate will receive a receipt for the value of the policy. If you wish to receive a current tax benefit, you may transfer the ownership of the policy to the Sisterhood and receive a donation receipt for the cash value of the policy, as well as a tax receipt for each premium paid, and on your death, the Sisterhood will receive the proceeds of the policy.

**A Gift Annuity** provides a gift to the Sisterhood while also providing guaranteed life-time income for you and your spouse. The amount of these payments depends on your age and the size of your contribution, but they will likely be significantly higher than you will receive from your present investments. Part or all of your annuity payments are tax-free. If you are 70 years of age or older, this is a tremendous planning option.

**A Charitable Remainder Trust** is an arrangement whereby you transfer property (cash, securities, real estate) to a Trustee. You receive the income from the Trust for life, and on your death the principal comes to the Sisterhood.

**A Donation of Securities:** Transferring securities to the Sisterhood is one of the most helpful ways of strengthening our Founders Fund while also giving you a significant charitable donation receipt while avoiding capital gains taxes. Please write to the Fundraising Director or call for details on a simple way to do this.

**Memorial Gifts:** One of the greatest satisfactions in making a charitable gift is the opportunity to pay tribute to someone who has made a difference in your life.