Sample Bequest Language for the *St. Henry Catholic Church*

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace"
(1 Peter 4:10)

Bequests and other testamentary gifts by the faithful are a significant source of financial support for the church and its ministries. As you discern the best plan for the allocation of your estate beyond your lifetime, you may identify the ability to continue your charitable gifts. This document is designed to be a resource for you as you meet with your advisors.

You can make a specific gift of cash, securities, real estate or other property through your will, codicil or trust instrument. You can also name *St. Henry Catholic Church* as the beneficiary of all or part of your estate or trust. This can be the remainder after the payment of estate-related expenses, other bequests, or following the death of a spouse or other primary beneficiaries. Examples of this language are below:

SAMPLE TESTAMENTARY LANGUAGE:

You may make a **specific gift** as follows:

I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to *St. Henry Catholic Church*,

the sum of $_____*or* _____% of my estate, *or*

the property described as_____

It is my desire and instruction this bequest to *St. Henry Catholic Church, 112-114 Highway 70 N, Rogersville, TN 37857* to be used for its unrestricted use (or identify a specific purpose)*.* In the event that at some future time due to changed circumstances, in the judgment of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville, it becomes impractical to apply my bequest to the designated purpose(s), the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville shall make such modifications as will appropriately recognize my interests in cooperation with *St. Henry Catholic Church*'s pastor*.*

or

You may make a **residual gift** of assets remaining after all other specific bequests have been satisfied as follows:

I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to *St. Henry Catholic Church*,

the rest, remainder, and residue of my estate, *or*

____% of the rest, remainder, and residue of my estate.

It is my desire and instruction this bequest to *St. Henry Catholic Church, 112-114 Highway 70 N, Rogersville, TN 37857,* to be used for its unrestricted use (or identify a specific purpose)*.* In the event that at some future time due to changed circumstances, in the judgment of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville, it becomes impractical to apply my bequest to the designated purpose(s), the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville shall make such modifications as will appropriately recognize my interests in cooperation with *St. Henry Catholic Church*'s pastor*.*

or

You may make a **contingent gift** to take effect only if those names as primary beneficiaries predecease you as follows:

Should any or all of the above named beneficiaries do not survive me, then I hereby give the share that otherwise would be (*his/hers/theirs*) to *St. Henry Catholic Church, 112-114 Highway 70 N, Rogersville, TN 37857.*

It is my desire and instruction this bequest to the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville be designated to *St. Henry Catholic Church* to be used for its unrestricted use (or identify a specific purpose)*.* In the event that at some future time due to changed circumstances, in the judgment of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville, it becomes impractical to apply my bequest to the designated purpose(s), the Roman Catholic Diocese of Knoxville shall make such modifications as will appropriately recognize my interests in cooperation with *St. Henry Catholic Church's* pastor*.*

Another way is to give is to designate *St. Henry Catholic Church* as a beneficiary or contingent beneficiary of your **retirement plan or life insurance policy**. Simply enter *St. Henry Catholic Church Federal Tax ID# 62-1116159* on the **Change of Beneficiary Form**, available from your plan administrator.

For more detailed information or to document your bequest intention, please contact:
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