



SAMPLE LANGUAGE FOR BEQUESTS TO THE ROMAN CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SANTA FE

The following language may be useful to you and your attorney as you review ways in which you can best make a gift to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe in your will or revocable trust. You should always seek the advice of a professional when planning the disposition of your estate.

FOR A SPECIFIC AMOUNT. “I bequeath to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, a New Mexico non-profit corporation, the sum of _____ dollars (\$_____) as an unrestricted gift”.

FOR A SPECIFIC PROPERTY. “I bequeath to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, a New Mexico non-profit corporation, my _____ (art collection, coin collection, etc.)”.
Note that bequests of real property require special handling.

FOR A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR ESTATE. “I bequeath to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, a New Mexico non-profit corporation, _____% of my adjusted gross estate as finally determined for federal tax purposes, as an unrestricted gift”.

FOR YOUR RESIDUARY ESTATE. “I devise and bequeath the residue of the property owned by me at my death, real and personal and wherever situated, to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, a New Mexico non-profit corporation, as an unrestricted gift”.

FOR A SPECIFIC PURPOSE. “I bequeath to the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe, a New Mexico non-profit corporation, the sum of _____ dollars (\$_____) to be used for _____ (e.g. the training of lay ministers, seminarian education, assistance to rural parishes in need, Catholic education, etc.)”.

Please contact the Office of Development of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Santa Fe to discuss what ministries or projects best match your areas of interest in Christian stewardship giving (505-831-8141) or development@archdiosf.org.