WE ARE ST. BEDE'S AND RESPONSIBLE FOR ITS FUTURE

A LEGACY OF FAITH

Our church is more than glass and stone. It is the center of our community. Planned giving ensures its future.

Get involved or find out more

complete and send to address below

☐ I have already made a provision in my estate for St. Bede's

☐ I wish to make a planned gift and join the St. Bede's Legacy Project

☐ I would like more information about estate & gift planning opportunities

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PRESERVING OUR SPIRITUAL HOME FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS

Welcome to Planned Giving

At St. Bede's, we are an inclusive, welcoming, Christ-centered community. Stewardship is often thought of as our annual pledge, but **Planned Giving** offers a unique opportunity to extend your witness far beyond your lifetime.

Planned giving is an intentional decision to ensure that this spiritual home remains vibrant for those who will follow us. By making a gift from your accumulated assets rather than your annual income, you help sustain our mission in perpetuity.

Why Join the Legacy Project?

Perpetual Support: Your gift can strengthen the St. Bede's Endowment, providing a permanent source of funding for our ministries, or serve other important needs.

Reflective Stewardship: Align your giving or estate plans with the values—resilience, faith, and belonging—that define our parish.

Tax Advantages: Many planned gifts offer significant benefits, such as avoiding capital gains or reducing estate taxes.

INCLUDE ST. BEDE'S IN YOUR LEGACY

Sustaining Our Vision through Endowment

What is an endowment? A permanent fund where the principal investment remains untouched (held in perpetuity). Only a portion of the fund's investment earnings is used each year. This creates a "forever gift" that provides financial stability regardless of economic fluctuations.

How will St. Bede's receive support from endowment gifts? Endowment distributions provide a reliable stream of income that supports the core pillars of our community into the future:

- **Worship & Music:** Sustaining our liturgical life and musical excellence.
- **Building & Grounds:** Caring for our unique architectural heritage and sacred spaces like the labyrinth.
- **Outreach:** Empowering our mission to serve the community of Santa Fe and beyond.
- **Resilience:** Ensuring we remain "people who stay"—bright, brave, and blessed—long into the future.

Ways to Give (Summary)

- **Appreciated Securities:** Avoid capital gains tax by gifting stocks directly.
- **IRA Charitable Distributions:** A tax-wise way for those 70½+ to give.
- **Donor-Advised Funds:** Recommend a grant from your existing DAF.
- **Bequests:** A simple designation in your will or living trust.
- **Life Insurance/Retirement:** Name St. Bede's as a full or partial beneficiary.
- **Gifts of Property:** Transfer or leave real estate or other items of value to St. Bede's.

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms."

–1 Peter 4.10