

There comes a time when each of us is called to make the transition across the threshold that we refer to as death. This transition to a higher life is something that we can plan for in a practical way by asking the following questions ...

Do I want to receive the Sacrament of Anointing through a priest of The Christian Community?

Do I want to specify how I want my body to be treated after death?

Do I want to receive the Funeral Service through a priest of The Christian Community?

Do I want my mortal remains to be buried or cremated?

Do I want to continue supporting the work of The Christian Community by making a monetary or property bequest?

The contents of this brochure provide practical advice that should be discussed with your lawyer and your next-of-kin.

You may also find the brochure: 'The Sacraments and the End of Earthly Life' useful.



'Samaritan Woman' - Neeltje Prior-Bollen

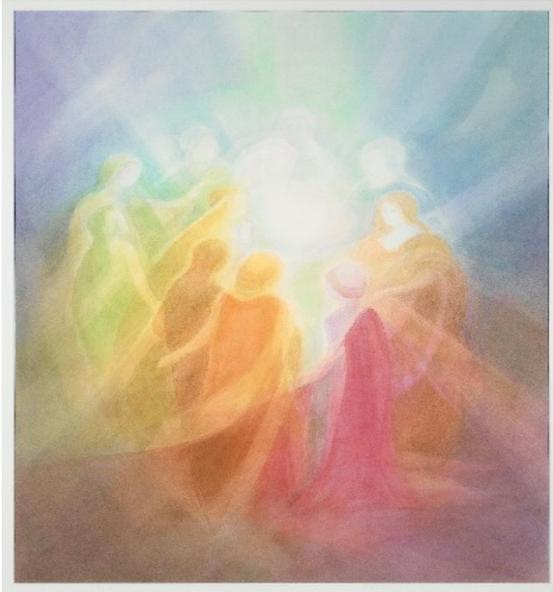
Please ensure that you, your lawyer or your next-of-kin communicate your wishes in writing to the local priest of The Christian Community.



THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY

INFORMATION TO HELP WITH ...

**PLANNING FOR THE END
OF EARTHLY LIFE**



'Birth' - Neeltje Prior-Bollen

The following is intended as a guide for those members and friends of The Christian Community who wish to include a bequest to The Christian Community in their Will.

There are also important recommendations for those who wish for their funeral service to be held by a priest in The Christian Community. This may also include the Sacrament of Anointing and the Memorial Act of Consecration of Man.

SUGGESTED WORDING FOR YOUR WILL ...

(It is highly recommended that you have a lawyer prepare your Will.)

1. For cash legacies:

"I hereby bequeath by way of legacy to the congregation of The Christian Community in Australia, the sum of \$..... to be utilized by the congregation as its Management Committee in its absolute discretion sees fit. An acknowledgment in writing sent to the administrator of my estate by one of the office-bearers of the Management Committee shall be sufficient evidence of the receipt of such legacy."

(Another option is to bequeath a percentage of your estate, eg 10%, rather than a specific cash amount.)

2. For gifts of real estate:

"I hereby give and devise to the congregation of The Christian Community in Australia, the property known as and situated at to the intent that the said congregation may in its absolute discretion retain the property for its own use and benefit, by occupying the property, selling the property, or mortgaging the property to raise cash, in each case as the Management Committee sees fit."

Members and friends who want to ensure that their wishes are carried out, should take the following steps ...

1. Make a Will providing that in the case of serious illness or impending death you receive the Sacrament of Anointing from a priest in The Christian Community;
2. In the same Will provide specifically for a priest in The Christian Community to conduct your funeral service;
3. Make it clear in the Will whether you wish your earthly remains to be buried or cremated;
4. State in the Will if you wish to have a Memorial Act of Consecration of Man conducted for you;
5. Provide a photocopy of the original Will to the following:
 - The executor(s) of your Will;
 - Your next-of-kin or, if none,
 - A close friend ...
 so that in the event of you becoming seriously or terminally ill, your wishes may be made known to a priest in The Christian Community. Simply including such provisions in your Will may be quite ineffective if your Will cannot be readily located either before or after death (in the latter case it would often be too late anyway);
6. Send a copy of the relevant portion of your Will or a written statement of your intentions and wishes to the nearest office of The Christian Community, Australia Council and to the Administrator of your retirement village or nursing home (if applicable).