When making a gift for The Catholic Bishop of Chicago in your will or living trust, we recommend that you use the following terminology to ensure your gift is applied according to your wishes:

**Clause for a gift to parishes, schools, or ministries of the Archdiocese of Chicago**

“I give (amount/percentage/asset/item) to The Catholic Bishop of Chicago, Tax ID #36-2170826, located in Chicago, Illinois for [**].

**Parish**
the use and benefit of [insert name of Parish] located in [insert city] Illinois. However, if this Parish ceases to exist in its current form, then to the new parish or parishes erected in its stead.

**Archdiocese**
the general charitable, religious and educational purposes of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

**Catholic School**
the use and benefit of [insert name of school] located in [city] Illinois. However, if this school is suppressed and ceases to exist in its current form, then to the closest Catholic school in its stead.

**Ministry**
the use and benefit of [insert name of ministry/program] located in [city] Illinois. However, if this ministry/program is suppressed and ceases to exist in its current form, then to another ministry/program of the Church.
Gifts in Wills may also be made to benefit the independent Catholic Education Scholarship Trust.

“I give (amount/percentage/asset/item) to the Catholic Education Scholarship Trust, Tax ID #36-7632823, located in Chicago, Illinois for [**].

** General Scholarship Endowment

the general charitable purposes of the Catholic Education Scholarship Trust.

** Specific Named Fund

the use and benefit of (insert name of designated fund) in the Catholic Education Scholarship Trust.

Please consult an attorney when preparing legal documents.

For more information about leaving a ministry of the Church in your Will, please contact Elin R. Schriver at 312-534-5396 or eschriver@archchicago.org.

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