

Gift Naming Opportunity

Whereas, St. Martha's Episcopal Church has been the beneficiary of donations large and small in the building up of the church and the kingdom, and

Whereas, the Capital Campaign Committee provided an opportunity for donors to name areas of the parish hall and other areas but with no other conditions or reservations, and

Whereas, Jesus gives clear instructions on giving, "When you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, so that your alms may be done in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you." (Matthew 6:3-4)

Therefore, Be it Resolved by the Rector and Vestry of St. Martha's Episcopal Church that the following policies might be enacted and followed for naming opportunities:

Naming Opportunities: An item or locations may be named after a donor or directed in honor or memory of someone by the donor if the following criteria are met:

1. Unless otherwise determined, the donation must cover 100% of both the cost of the item and the cost of any plaque.
2. The donation must be received in full before a naming opportunity can be granted.
3. The donation must reach the suggested amount or, for areas or items not listed, a minimum of \$5,000 or the cost of the item, whichever is higher.
4. The Vestry and Rector should maintain a wish list of items that the church would like to help direct those interested to the plans, hopes, and dreams of the parish.
5. Naming decisions may be modified or reversed if, in the prayerful opinion of the Rector and Vestry, the circumstances surrounding the gift and/or naming have substantially changed.

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