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Articles of Incorporation) Filed for Record Nov. 4th A.D. 1912 at 4.00 o'clock P.M.  
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 St Joseph's Catholic Church) \$1.50 By Daisy Hill Deputy.  
 of Winterset. )

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

of  
 St Joseph's Catholic Church, in Winterset, Madison County, Iowa.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That We, whose names are hereunto subscribed, do hereby incorporate ourselves for the establishment of a corporation of a religious character, under the provisions of Chapter 2 of Title IX of the Code of Iowa and acts amendatory thereof, providing for corporations not for pecuniary profit and to that end do now adopt the following Articles of Incorporation, to-wit:

## ARTICLE I.

The name by which this corporation shall be known as St Joseph's Catholic Church of Winterset, Madison County, Iowa, and its principal place of activity shall be at Winterset in Madison County, Iowa.

## ARTICLE II.

The objects of this corporation shall be to take charge of and manage all the temporal affairs of the Roman Catholic Church in Winterset parish in Winterset Iowa; to promote all of the interests of the Roman Catholic Church therein, including its spiritual, educational and charitable work and interests; to take charge of, own, hold and manage all of the property, personal and real, of which this corporation may at any time become the owner or in which it may acquire any interest whatever, whether by purchase, gift, grant, devise or otherwise, and to sell, mortgage or otherwise dispose of such property.

## ARTICLE III.

The members of this corporation shall be the Bishop of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Des Moines, the Vicar General of said Diocese and the Pastor of said Church, all of whom shall be members by virtue of their positions, and two lay members who shall be elected annually from the lay members of the congregation by the ex officio members of the corporation. These five members shall constitute the Board of Directors of this corporation, who shall exercise all the powers and discharge the obligations of the corporation. The Directors of this corporation for the first year shall be, Austin Dowling, Michael Flavin, James J. Troy, James Kirby and M.J. Smith. The officers of this corporation shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Bishop or Administrator of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Des Moines shall be ex officio President of this corporation. The Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected annually by the directors at such time as is fixed by the By-laws. Any vacancy in the elective members or elective officers of this corporation

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shall be filled at any time by those who have the right to select the lay members of the corporation or to elect its officers.

## ARTICLE IV.

This corporation shall at all times be subject to the general laws and discipline of the Roman Catholic Church and shall receive and enjoy its franchises as a body politic solely for the purposes mentioned in Article II; and upon the violation and surrender of its charter, its property, real and personal, shall vest in the Bishop of the Diocese of Des Moines and his successors in trust for such congregations and for the uses and purposes above named.

## Article V.

This Church shall receive as Pastor, such priest as the Bishop of the Diocese or the Administrator may appoint and whenever any Pastor shall be removed by the Bishop or the Administrator of the Diocese, such Pastor shall cease to be a member of this corporation and shall no longer be recognized as Pastor.

## Article VI.

The private property of the members of the corporation shall be exempt from liability for its corporate debts.

## Article VII.

No member, director or officer of this corporation shall receive pay or its equivalent for services rendered this corporation.

## Article VIII.

This corporation may have a corporate seal which may be altered at any time by a majority vote of the corporation.

## Article IX.

No real estate belonging to this corporation shall be sold, mortgaged, encumbered or disposed of in any way without the written authorization of the Bishop or Administrator of the Diocese entered in the corporation book under the minutes of the meeting which approved such sale, mortgage, encumbrance or transfer.

## Article X.

No expenditure of a sum exceeding Five Hundred Dollars and no indebtedness exceeding that amount shall be made without the written authorization of the Bishop or the Administrator of the Diocese entered in the corporation book under the minutes of the meeting which approved such expenditure or such indebtedness.

## Article XI.

This corporation may adopt By-Laws in harmony with these Articles of Incorporation and with the Statutes of the Diocese of Des Moines and the general discipline of the Roman Catholic Church.

Witness our hands this First day of November A.D. 1912.

Austin Dowling.

James J. Troy.

M.J. Smith.

Michael Flavin.

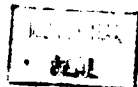
Jas. Kirby.

State of Iowa, County of polk SS:

On this 21st day of October A.D. 1912, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared Austin Dowling and Michael Flavin, to me known to be the persons who signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged that they executed the same as their voluntary act and deed.

Witness my hand and Notarial Seal the day and year last above written.

James P. Hart,  
Notary Public.



State of Iowa County of Iowa SS:

On this First day of November A.D. 1912, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared James J. Troy, Jas. Kirby and M.J. Smith to me known to be the persons who signed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged that they executed the same as their voluntary act and deed. WITNESS my hand and Notarial Seal the day and year last above written.

A.W. Wilkinson,  
Notary Public.

