

Miscellaneous Record, No. 23, Madison County, Iowa

		as aforesaid.
	By	Deputy
All Saints Church in Stuart	#5523	Filed for record the 21 day of
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The Public		A.M.
		Pearl E. Shetterly, Recorder

BY-LAWS
of

ALL SAINTS CHURCH, IN STUART CATHOLIC COUNTY, IOWA.

At a meeting of the Directors of All Saints Roman Catholic Church held in Stuart on the 12th day of March, A.D., 1913, the following By-Laws were unanimously adopted:

I. The corporate powers of this Church shall be exercised in all things in conformity with the principles and general discipline of the Roman Catholic Church existing in the United States of America and in conformity with the disciplinary statutes of the Diocese of Des Moines.

II. The church is always bound to receive as Pastor or Administrator and as member of this corporation such Priest as the Bishop of the Diocese or the Administrator thereof may, from time to time, 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.

III. The officers of this corporation shall be a President, Treasurer and Secretary. The Bishop shall be ex officio President of the corporation. The Treasurer and Secretary shall be elected annually and each shall continue in office until a successor is elected.

IV. At any regular meeting of the corporation a majority of the members, one of them being a layman, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, but in all matters relating to the purchase, sale or encumbering of the property of the Church, or to the incurring of any indebtedness on the part of the Church exceeding the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, the acts of such a quorum in order to be valid must be confirmed by the written approbation of the Bishop or of the Administrator of the Diocese. The article in the Articles of Incorporation which allows a majority of the Board to contract an indebtedness not in excess of Five Hundred Dollars shall be construed to mean that the total indebtedness of the corporation shall not exceed such sum, unless an increased indebtedness is voted by three directors, with the Bishop's written approbation, in which case the total indebtedness authorized and the purpose for which it is incurred shall be specifically stated.

V. Regular meetings shall be held once in the year on the second Tuesday in January at 8 p.m., or as the Directors may order. Special meetings may be called at any time by the Bishop or Vicar General or Administrator of the Diocese.

VI. The Treasurer shall keep regular accounts of all the receipts and disbursements of the Church, which accounts shall, at all times, be open to the inspection of any of the Directors. All moneys belonging to the corporation shall be deposited in its name in a bank to be selected by the directors and shall be payable on the order of the Treasurer or of such other

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officer as the Directors may designate.

The accounts of the Treasurer shall be examined and audited by two Directors at least once a year and during the month of January in each year a synopsis of such accounts, together with a statement of the assets and liabilities of the church, shall be printed or written for the information of the congregation and laid before them. A copy thereof shall be sent to the Bishop.

VII. The Treasurer shall have the custody of the books and papers and corporate seal of the church. The Secretary shall keep the minutes of the Board and notify the members of meetings, general and special.

VIII. No member or members of this Board of Directors shall have any power or authority to sign any note or bond or any other evidence of debt or to contract any debt or liability on the part of this corporation, except in pursuance of a special resolution of the Board of Directors for that purpose entered on its minutes and signed by at least three members in conformity with the fourth article of these By-Laws.

IX. No lay person can be elected a member of the corporation who is not a pewholder in the Church and who is not at least a yearly communicant. If any layman member of the corporation becomes unfit for the duties of his office, or incapable of properly performing the same, he may be removed from membership by a vote of three members or by the President. Causes for which a member may be removed are: Physical inability to perform the duties of a member, director or officer; prolonged neglect of such duties; persistent refusal to observe in the transaction of his duties as a member, director or officer the rules and statutes of the Diocese of Des Moines, or the rules of the general and recognized discipline of the Catholic Church. Removal from the parish by a layman member shall de facto constitute a resignation as such member.

X. These By-Laws cannot be repealed, changed or modified nor any additional By-Laws adopted unless by an unanimous vote of all the members of the Board of Directors. Any proposed change must be presented in writing and entered on the minutes. The vote thereon shall not be taken until the next subsequent meeting of the Board of Directors.

We certify that the foregoing By-Laws were adopted by the vote of 3 members of this corporation at a meeting of the members held on March 12th, 1913.

Martin S McNamara
Jos. Schafer
John Bell

State of Iowa, Guthrie County :ss

I, E.R.O'Donnell, being first duly sworn do on oath depose and say that I am Secretary of All Saints Roman Catholic Church of Stuart, Iowa, (sometimes known as All Saints Church of Stuart, Iowa) and that said Church is a Church Corporation, and that the above and foregoing is a true, complete and correct copy of the By-Laws of said All Saints Roman Catholic Church of Stuart, Iowa, and that said By-Laws are now in force and have not been in any way amended or changed.

E. R. O'Donnell

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me by E.R.O'Donnell this 2nd day of October

NOTARIAL
A.D., 1913.
SEAL

H.E. Newton
Notary Public in and for Guthrie
County, Iowa.