

# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

Church of <sup>OF</sup> the Holy ~~Trinity~~ <sup>Rosary</sup>

COUNTY OF Fremont, STATE OF WYOMING, SS.

WHEREAS, The undersigned, James J. Gleane, Roman Catholic Bishop of the Diocese of Cheyenne, Wyoming, deems it advisable to have created and organized a religious corporation within this State, for the purposes and with the powers specified in the statutes of the State in such case made and provided, and has associated with him for that purpose Hugh Commiskey, Vicar General of said Diocese, and Francis J. Keller, the Roman Catholic Pastor of the parish of Lander in the County of Fremont and State of Wyoming; and whereas the said Bishop, Vicar General and Pastor have, in accordance with the statutes in such case made and provided and in accordance with the rules and usages of the Roman Catholic Church, selected and designated to be associated with them in the formation of said corporation Thomas Quintillon and Charles Sheehan, two lay members of the Roman Catholic Church, both belonging to said parish and residents therein;

THEREFORE, KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That we, James J. Gleane Bishop as aforesaid, Hugh Commiskey, Vicar General as aforesaid, Francis J. Keller, Pastor as aforesaid, and Thomas J. Keller and Charles Sheehan, members of said Church as aforesaid, do hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated under the name and for the purposes hereinafter stated pursuant to the provisions of Division Two, Title 4, Chapter 9 of the Revised Statutes of 1899 of this State, and do now adopt and sign, in duplicate, the following Articles of Incorporation, viz.:

## ARTICLE I.

The name of this corporation shall be Church of the Holy Rosary and the place of its location shall be town of Lander in the County of Fremont and State of Wyoming.

## ARTICLE II.

The general character of this corporation is to take charge of and manage all the temporal affairs of the Roman Catholic Church in said Parish, to promote the spiritual, educational and other interests of the said Roman Catholic Church in said Parish, including all the charitable, benevolent and eleemosynary work of said Church in said Parish, to take charge of, hold and manage all property, personal and real, that may at any time or in any manner come to or vest in this corporation for any purpose whatever, whether by purchase, gift, grant, devise, or otherwise, and to mortgage the same, sell or otherwise dispose of it as the necessities of the said corporation

ARTICLE IV.

The succession of the members of said corporation shall be regulated and vacancies in their number filled as follows, to-wit: The succession to the said Bishop shall be the Bishop of the said Diocese regularly and lawfully chosen according to the rules and usages of the Roman Catholic Church, in succession forever. The succession to the said Vicar General shall be the Vicar General of said Diocese regularly and lawfully chosen according to the rules and usages of the Roman Catholic Church, in succession forever. The succession to the said Pastor shall be the Pastor of the said Parish regularly and lawfully chosen in accordance with the rules and usages of the Roman Catholic Church, in succession forever. The term of office of each layman that may be a <sup>Director</sup> Trustee shall be two years, at the expiration of which term a successor is to be chosen to each layman by the remaining <sup>Directors</sup> Trustees. The term of the <sup>Director</sup> Trustees named in these Articles shall be two years from and after the commencement of this corporation.

The Board of <sup>Directors</sup> Trustees may at any time remove any Lay <sup>Director</sup> Trustee if they deem that the best interests of the corporation require such removal.

ARTICLE V.

The officers of said corporation shall be a President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The Bishop or the person appointed in his place or stead shall be ex-officio President, and the Secretary and Treasurer shall be chosen from the lay members of said corporation. The term of office of the Secretary and Treasurer and the duties of each, except so far as the same are fixed by the Articles, may be prescribed by the By-Laws. The Board of Trustees may at any time remove any Secretary or Treasurer if they deem that the best interests of the corporation require such removal. In all cases the Treasurer shall be required to give bond, with sureties, to this corporation, conditioned that he will faithfully account for and pay over all moneys that may come into his hands as such Treasurer, and otherwise faithfully discharge the duties of his office; such bond to be approved by the President, Vice President and Secretary of the corporation by endorsement in writing to that effect made thereon.

ARTICLE VI.

The <sup>Director</sup> Trustees of said corporation may by a four-fifths vote contract debts not exceeding in the total aggregate Three Hundred Dollars (\$300.00), but debts in excess of that sum not exceeding the sum of Four thousand <sup>Ten thousand</sup> Dollars may be contracted by the vote and consent of all the <sup>Directors</sup> Trustees. The said corporation shall have no power to contract debts binding at law or in equity upon it, its members or its property beyond the said sum of Ten thousand Dollars. No real estate belonging to the said corporation shall be sold, mortgaged, incumbered or disposed of in any way, and no purchases, improvements or undertakings of any kind which would entail upon the Church new and extraordinary expenditures shall be allowed without the consent of all the <sup>Director</sup> Trustees.

ARTICLE VII.

The affairs of the said corporation shall be managed and conducted by the said Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE IX.

The time of the commencement of the corporation shall be the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1910, and the duration of the said corporation shall be perpetual, and its termination shall be at the termination of time.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 10<sup>th</sup> day of October, A. D. 1910.

SIGNED AND SEALED IN PRESENCE OF

Clyde Edavis

IN REGARD TO

James J. Keane  
Hugh Cumiskey

SIGNED AND SEALED IN PRESENCE OF

J. H. Sharp  
Geo. D. Chase

IN REGARD TO

Francis J. Keller  
Thomas Cantillon  
Charles Sheehan

James J. Keane [SEAL]

Hugh Cumiskey [SEAL]

Francis J. Keller [SEAL]

Thomas Cantillon [SEAL]

Charles Sheehan [SEAL]

THE STATE OF WYOMING,

COUNTY OF Laramie } ss.

Before me, Clyde Edavis, a Notary Public within and for said County in the State aforesaid, personally came this day James J. Keane, and Hugh Cumiskey,

each to me well known and by me known to be the persons who signed and sealed the following instrument, and acknowledged that they signed, sealed and delivered the same as their free and voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Given under my hand and notarial seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of August, A. D. 1910

My commission expires the 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1913.

Clyde Edavis  
Notary Public

THE STATE OF WYOMING,

COUNTY OF Fremont } ss.

Before me, J. H. Sharp, a Notary Public within and for said County in the State aforesaid, personally came this day Francis J. Keller, Thomas Cantillon and Charles Sheehan