

SECTION 1.1

Act of Incorporation 1968 Chapter 107

An Act to Incorporate the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan

(Assented to May 2nd, 1968)

Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislature Assembly of the Province of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as The Catholic Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan Act.
2. The Most Reverend Henri Routhier, Archbishop of the Catholic Archdiocese of Grouard-McLennan (hereafter referred to as the “Archdiocese”) and each of his successors in the Archdiocese in communion with the Church of Rome continues as a body corporate and politic by the name of “La Corporation Episcopale Catholique Romaine de Grouard” as successors to the Very Reverend Emile Grouard, heretofore constituted a body corporate under that name by chapter 50 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1914.
3. The corporation is hereby authorized and empowered:
 - a) to acquire by gift, purchase, devise, bequest, transfer or otherwise, real or personal property of every nature in the Province of Alberta and to have, hold, possess, enjoy, take and receive the same for the general uses and purposes, ecclesiastical, religious, charitable, educational and recreational of the Archdiocese or any part thereof;
 - b) to give, sell, exchange, convey, transfer, assign, mortgage, encumber, demise or otherwise dispose of all or any of the property, real or personal, of the corporation or any interest therein;
 - c) to borrow, raise or secure the payment of money for any of the purposes of the corporation in such manner as is considered expedient and in particular by negotiable instruments and by the issue of debentures or debenture stock, bonds, mortgages or obligations, charged upon all or any of the property of the corporation, and to purchase, redeem or pay off any such securities in whole or in part;
 - d) to make loans and to receive mortgages, bonds and debentures, negotiable instruments or other securities as security therefore: and to assign, sell, transfer, hypothecate, pledge or otherwise dispose of mortgages or securities so received; and to discharge and release mortgages or other securities so given, either in whole or in part and to extend the period for payment thereof;
 - e) to give any guarantee for payment of any loan, mortgage, bond or debenture issue, obligations or securities made or issued by any parish or mission, situated within the territorial limits of the corporation;
 - f) to enact such regulations and orders which are considered necessary for the management of the affairs of the corporation.

4. All instruments or documents to be signed or executed by the corporation shall be signed or executed by the Archbishop.
5. (1) The Archbishop may establish parishes or missions within the Archdiocese and every such parish or mission shall become a body politic and corporate by the style and name of “The Parish of

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” or “ La Mission de.....” with the specific name given in each case by the Archbishop.

(2) Each such parish or mission shall be represented by the Archbishop and the priest appointed by the Archbishop for the administration of each such parish or mission.

(3) All instruments or documents to be signed or executed by each such parish or mission shall be signed or executed by the parish priest or missionary appointed by the Archbishop to be in charge of such parish or mission as the case may be and by the Archbishop with the seal only of the parish or mission as the case may be.

(4) Each such parish or mission has mutatis mutandis, all the powers herein conferred upon the corporation except the powers conferred in clause (e) of section 3.
6. All powers and authority of the corporation herein authorized to be exercised by the Archbishop may be exercised in like manner by
 - a) the Coadjutor Archbishop of the Archdiocese, or
 - b) the Archbishop or Bishop Auxiliary to the Archbishop or the Archdiocese, or
 - c) the Vicar General of the Archdiocese or
 - d) the member of the Clergy canonically elected or appointed to administer the affairs of the Archdiocese, and all instruments or documents to be signed or executed by the corporation or by any parish or mission may likewise be signed or executed by any of the foregoing persons instead of the Archbishop.
7. Every parish or mission of the Roman Catholic Church in the Province of Alberta that, before the passing of this Act, became a body politic and corporate under An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, and the Roman Catholic Parishes and Missions in the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, being chapter 50 of the statutes of Alberta, 1914, is continued as a body corporate by this Act.
8. It shall be lawful for any person or corporation in whose name any real or personal property is now or may hereafter be held in trust or otherwise for the benefit of the Archbishop or for the benefit of any parish or mission established by the Archbishop to assign, convey or transfer it to the corporation or to the parish or mission as the case may be.
9. The powers herein granted are subject to the general laws of the Province now in force or hereafter enacted.
10. An Act to incorporate the Roman Catholic Bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, and the Roman Catholic Parishes and Missions in the Apostolic Vicariate of Athabasca, being chapter 50 of the Statutes of Alberta, 1914 is hereby repealed.

This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.