

CHAPTER 191.

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An act to incorporate the Trustees of Sacred Heart Church, Passed Mar. 11, 1834
in Saint Mary's county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of* ^{Corporate powers granted} *Maryland,* That the members of the Roman Catholic congregation at Sacred Heart church, in Saint Mary's county, from and after the passage of this act, shall be and they are hereby created and declared to be a body politic and corporate, in deed and by law, by the name, style and title of the Trustees of the Roman Catholic congregation at Sacred Heart church, in Saint Mary's county; and that they, the said Trustees, by the name aforesaid, and their successors to be elected as hereinafter mentioned, shall have perpetual succession, and shall be able and capable in law to purchase, take, have, hold, receive and enjoy to them and their successors, in fee simple, or for any lesser estate, any lands, tenements and hereditaments, by grant, gift, bargain and sale, and also by purchase, take, hold and possess and enjoy any monies, bank stock, stock of the United States, goods, chattels or personal property whatsoever, by gift or grant: *Provided,* that the lands which shall be acquired by and vested in the said corporation, by virtue of this act, shall not exceed the quantity of two hundred acres: *And provided also,* that the real and personal property acquired by and vested in the said corporation, shall not exceed in the whole the yearly value of two hundred pounds current money of Maryland; and the same lands, tenements, hereditaments and personal property to give, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of, as to them shall seem meet, for the use of the said religious society; and also that the said Trustees, by the name aforesaid, shall be able and capable in law to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in any suits or actions in all or any court of judicature within this state; and that it shall and may be lawful for the said Trustees, by the name aforesaid, to devise, make, have and use one common seal, to authenticate all and every the acts, deeds and instruments touching their business, and the same at pleasure to break, alter and renew; and generally that the said trustees, by the name aforesaid, shall have, hold and enjoy, all and singular, the rights, privileges, liberties and franchises, incident and belonging to a private religious corporation or body politic, ^{Estate limited} ^{Legal capacities} ^{General powers}