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VOICE OF THE FAITHFUL OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
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**VOICE OF THE FAITHFUL OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.**  
**(A NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION)**

The undersigned, acting as incorporators of a corporation pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME**

The name of this corporation is VOICE OF THE FAITHFUL OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA, INC.

**ARTICLE II**

**PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS AND MAILING ADDRESS**

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be 3200 Tamiami Trail N., Suite 200, Naples, Florida 34103, and the mailing address shall be P.O. Box 111114, Naples, Florida 34101. Either the principal place of business or the mailing address may be changed from time to time as determined by this corporation's board of directors in a manner set forth in the bylaws.

**ARTICLE III**

The specific purposes for which the corporation is organized are religious, educational and charitable, and more specifically: to provide a voice through which the faithful can actively participate in the governance and guidance of the Catholic Church; to support survivors of sexual abuse by members of the clergy of the Catholic Church; to support priests of the Catholic Church; to shape structural change in the Catholic Church; to provide opportunities and resources for religious education of the faithful in the doctrines, traditions and customs of the Catholic Church; to elicit recommendations from the laity for the sound administration of the Catholic Church; to promote the establishment of representative democratic institutions within the Catholic Church so that the sense of the faithful may be articulated to the clergy; to provide opportunities for prayer, worship and fellowship consistent with the purposes of this corporation; to collaborate with the clergy for the greater good of the Catholic Church; to encourage accountability and reform of the institutional structures of the Catholic Church; and to do any and all things necessary, suitable and proper for the accomplishment of these purposes.

No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, except that, if the corporation so elects, it may make such expenditures in conformity with Section 501(h) of the Internal Revenue

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Code of 1986, as amended, or a corresponding provision of any future Internal Revenue law (hereinafter referred to as the "Code"), and the corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including by publication or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by either: (a) a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Code, or (b) a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Code.

#### ARTICLE IV

##### MANNER OF ELECTION OF DIRECTORS: INITIAL DIRECTORS

The method of election of directors shall be stated in the bylaws of this corporation. The numbers of directors of this corporation at all times shall never be less than three nor more than eleven. The names and addresses of the initial members of the board of directors are:

NAME:	ADDRESS
Margaret C. Clark	2480 Kings Lake Blvd. Naples, FL 34112
Joseph N. Daley	4401 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. #1102, Naples, FL 34103
J. T. Blount	24431 Woodsage Drive Bonita Springs, FL 34134

#### ARTICLE V

##### INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND STREET ADDRESS

The initial street address of corporation's registered office is 3200 Tamiami Trail N. Suite 200, Naples, 34103. The initial registered agent at this address is Steven V. Blount, Esq. The board of directors from time to time may change the address of the registered office to any other address in the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE VI

##### MEMBERS: INITIAL MEMBERS

The relative rights or interests of members as among themselves or in the property of this corporation shall be set forth in the bylaws of this corporation. The initial members of this corporation shall be:

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NAME:	ADDRESS
Margaret C. Clark	2480 Kings Lake Blvd. Naples, FL 34112
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**ARTICLE VII**  
**INCORPORATORS**

The names and street addresses of the incorporators for these Articles of Incorporation are;

NAME:	ADDRESS
Margaret C. Clark	2480 Kings Lake Blvd. Naples, FL 34112
Joseph N. Daley	4401 Gulf Shore Blvd. N. #1102, Naples, FL 34103
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**ARTICLE VIII**  
**DISTRIBUTION OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION OR FINAL LIQUIDATION**

No part of the assets, income or profit of this corporation may be distributed to or inure to the benefit of the members, directors or officers of this corporation or other persons. Reasonable compensation may be paid to employees or others for services rendered. Upon dissolution or liquidation, all of this corporation's assets remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution or liquidation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes or to the federal, state or local government for a public purpose or as authorized by a court of general jurisdiction to distribute the assets to accomplish the general purposes of this corporation.

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**ARTICLE IX**

**AMENDMENTS**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended, altered or repealed only in a manner set forth in the corporation's bylaws.

The undersigned incorporators have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 1<sup>st</sup> day of May 2003.

  
Margaret C. Clark

  
Joseph N. Daley

  
J. T. Blount

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ACKNOWLEDGMENT BY REGISTERED AGENT

Steven V. Blount, Esquire, having been named in the Articles of Incorporation to accept service of process for the above-named corporation at the address designated therein, hereby acknowledges that he is familiar with, and accepts his appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in this capacity.

  
Steven V. Blount, Esquire

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