

Catholic Woods  
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Catholic Woods was a plot of land consisting of 128 acres located north of Adams Street and east of 38th Street. More specifically, today it is directly east of Ashby Park, and extends to 34th Place.

It was bought by the Sisters of Mercy in 1921 with the intention of building a home for the Order. They owned it until 1937, and it was probably mortgaged once during their ownership.

It is said to have been previously owned by a person named "Mann."

It is said to have been used as a Boy Scout camp at one time.

Sources:

Sister Bea, 900 Harmony St., Council Bluffs, IA 50503

Loretta Grenier, Archivist for Mercy Hospital

Legal Information, Book 694, Page 498, Section 29, Township 79, Range 24