Diocese Of Bismarck

April 30, 2020 Health Care Enrollment (9:30am)

&

Parish Business Office Forum (10:30am)

Fiscal and Internal Audit Staff

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Health Care Enrollment 2020-2021 Informational Review

April 24th Emails to Parishes and Schools



Health Care & Dental/Vision Changes



Employee enrollment 2020-2021



401K Changes

Health Care 2020-2021

Effective 7/1/2020



- > PPO 750-2 80/60 (same as current)
- > HSA 1500-1 90/70 (change to 90% plan)



- > Remove Class Employee + 1
- Add Classes Employee + Spouse and Employee + Child/Children



- Avg. Increase 5% (below national average)
- Decrease 2% for vision.
- Increase .7% for dental
- Parishes continue 100% single & 75% other classes
- Schools increase to 89% single and 65% other classes (based on HSA)



- > Feb 28th Msgr. Lindemann Communication to Parishes and Schools
- Claims Improving
- Pastors again requested to reply on parish's dental and vision

Highlights of Option A: PPO 750-2 80/60 Plan (Anthem 1120)

- \$750 Individual / \$1,500 Family Deductible
- 80/20 Coverage after deductible is met (Plan pays 80% [60% out of network], Employee pays 20% [40%] up to Out-Of-Pocket Maximum)
- \$4,000 Individual \$8,000 Family Maximum Out-Of-Pocket (In-Network)
- \$25/\$40 Office Visit Copay

Highlights of Option B: HSA 1500-1 90/70 Plan (Anthem 1126)

- \$1,500 Individual / \$3000 Family Deductible (non-embedded)
- 90/10 Coverage after family deductible is met (Plan pays 90% [70% out of network] Employee pays 10% [30%] up to Out-Of-Pocket Maximum)
- \$5,000 Individual \$10,000 / Family Maximum Out-Of-Pocket (In-Network)
- Diocese & Parishes: Monthly Income Add-On for Employee (due to lower cost to be on plan)
- Money put into deferred account is TAX-FREE and remains in the individual's account for life OR until used for qualifying expenses

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2020-2021	11	120 Anthem F	PPO 750-2 80/6	60
NO. LINE CO.	Employee	EE+Spouse	EE+Children	EE+Family
Reta Rate	769.07	1,691.95	1,268.96	2,153.39
Full-Time	100	3500		76
A. Location Rates - Diocese & Parishes	784.07	1,706.95	1,283.96	2,168.39
Employer	784.07	1,283.96	966.72	1,630.04
Employee	0.00	422.99	317.24	538.35
B. Location Rates -SCHOOLS	784.07	1,706.95	1,283.96	2,168.39
Employer	629.88	1,002.96	755.97	1,272.40
Employee	154.19	703.99	527.99	895.99
Part-Time				
C. Location Rates - Diocese & Parishes	784.07	1,706.95	1,283.96	2,168.39
Employer	399.54	649.48	490.86	822.52
Employee	384.53	1,057.47	793.10	1,345.87
D. Location Rates - SCHOOLS	784.07	1,706.95	1,283.96	2,168.39
Employer	322.44	508.98	385.49	643.70
Employee	461.63	1,197.97	898.47	1,524.69
COBRA RATES				

Anthem 1120 PPO 750-2 80/60 Plan

Anthem 1126 HSA 1500-1 90/70 Plan

2020-2021	112	26 Anthem HS	SA 1500-1 90/7	90/70 HSA Employer Paid Add On (Income to emp				mployee)
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Reta Rate	690.88	1,519.94	1,139.95	1,934.46				
Full-Time						100		
A. Location Rates - Diocese & Parishes	705.88	1,534.94	1,154.95	1,949.46				
Employer	705.88	1,154.96	869.96	1,465.85				
Employee	0.00	379.98	284.99	483.61	78.00	129.00	96.00	164.00
B. Location Rates -SCHOOLS	705.88	1,534.94	1,154.95	1,949.46				
Employer	629.88	1,002.96	755.97	1,272.40				
Employee	76.00	531.98	398.98	677.06				
Part-Time								
C. Location Rates - Diocese & Parishes	705.88	1,534.94	1,154.95	1,949.46				
Employer	360.44	584.98	442.48	740.42				
Employee	345.44	949.96	712.47	1,209.04	39.00	64.50	48.00	82.00
D. Location Rates - SCHOOLS	705.88	1,534.94	1,154.95	1,949.46				
Employer	322.44	508.98	385.49	643.70				
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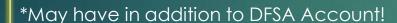
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Effective 7/1/2020

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	EE Only	EE+Spouse	EE + Children	EE+ Family	EE Only	EE+Spouse	E + Childre	EE+ Family			
Reta Rate	9.55	21.00	15.75	26.73	11.61	25.55	19.16	32.52			
Full-Time											
1. Location Rates - Employer 100%											
Employer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							
Employee	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							
2. Location Rates - Partial Subsidy - Dependents	9.55	21.00	15.75	26.73							
Employer	9.55	9.55	9.55	9.55							
Employee	0.00	11.45	6.20	17.18							
3. Location Rates - Employee 100%					11.61	25.55	19.16	32.52			
Employer			8		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Employee					11.61	25.55	19.16	32.52			
Part-Time											
4. Location Rates - Employer 100%								10			
Employer	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							
Employee	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00							
5. Location Rates - Partial Subsidy - Dependents	9.55	21.00	15.75	26.73							
Employer	4.78		4.78	4.78							
Employee	4.77	16.22	10.97	21.95							
6. Location Rates - Employee 100%		74 33	51		11.61	25.55	19.16	32.52			
Employer					0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00			
Employee			y.	2 80	11.61	25.55	19.16	32.52			
COBRA RATES	\$ 9.45	\$ 20.78	\$ 15.58	\$ 26.45	\$ 11.49	\$ 25.28	\$ 18.96	\$ 32.18			



- FSA (Flexible Spending Account)*
 - - Health Care expenses
 - Must be used up between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021
 - USE IT OR LOSE IT
 - Annual contribution may not exceed \$2,750





- DFSA (Dependent Flexible Spending Account)*
 - Pre-Tax salary dollars can be put into account for Dependent Care expenses
 - Must be used up between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021
 - USE IT OR LOSE IT
 - Annual contribution may not exceed \$5,000 (\$2,500 max. if married, filing separate income tax returns)

*May have in addition to FSA Account!



Flexible Spending Accounts

New This Year for HSA Enrollees

- LPFSA (Limited Purpose Flexible Spending Account)
 - Pre-Tax salary dollars can be put into account for Dental and Vision Expenses Only
 - Must be used up between July 1, 2020 and June 30, 2021
 - USE IT OR LOSE IT
 - Annual contribution may not exceed \$2,750



Health Savings Account Contributions

Can enroll/manage in Open Enrollment Wizard \$3,550/\$7,100 (+\$1,000 age 55+)

Additionally for those with HSA Accounts:

- New Banking Relationship
 - From Health Equity to Act Wise (through Anthem)
 - Act Wise will integrate with Anthem
 - Current enrollees will be contacted regarding their choice to move current balances

March "Lookback" Communication

- Why is it important?

-"Heads Up" at ACA Report Time

- COVID-19 Related Comment

Administrators:

- ENGAGE with ALL Eligible Employees on Enrollment
 - ➤ Default this year is No Coverage If Employees do not sign in and select coverage, they will have no coverage effective July 1, 2020.
 - Eligible Employees not wishing to take benefits, must sign in and decline coverage (ACA / Affordable Health Care Act documentation)
 - Administrators must document their reminders and engagement with Employees to enroll or decline benefits.



Administrators:

(continued)

- ➤ Help answer employee questions (Sarah Seibel can provide support to administrators)
- REMEMBER that PRIESTS are employees and must enroll (note new priest assignments)
- Remind employees on responsibility of dependent documentation
- Check that employee status is accurate for their enrollment – (administrator performed employee lookback in early April)

RETA Enrollment

May 1, 2020 thru May 15, 2020

401K

Effective 7/1/2020

- Inactive employees with account balances of \$5000 or less will no longer be in the plan.
- They will be contacted and given a choice to move funds into individual IRA or move their account to existing IRA of their choice.



401K

Future Considerations

- □ Employer Benefit 5%
- First 2% Employer Paid Benefit
- ▶ Up to 3% Employer Paid Match
- ▶ Employee contributions by percent



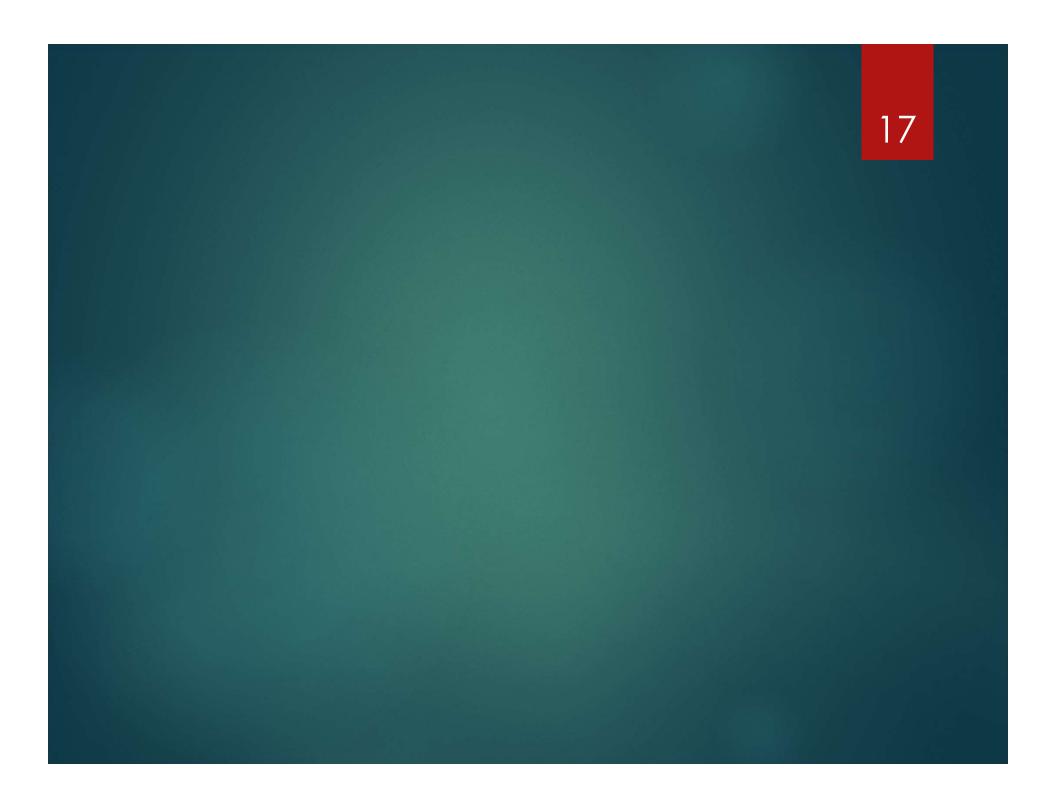
Enrollment/Benefits



Reminder from Fall Forum

Life Events (LE) Process:

- 1) Employees Log-On to RETA website to submit Life Event under Quick Links
- 2) Employee fills out forms online & has to attach supporting docs.
- 3) Trustor (Diocese -Sarah)- gets notification that LE is entered in RETA *cannot approve LE until the supporting docs are uploaded
- 4) Sarah will send Email to Location Employee & Benefits Administrator regarding LE and need for supporting docs to be uploaded to complete LE
 - **IMPORTANT: It is the Employee's responsibility to make sure that their LE is completed in RETA & they provide the proper docs. Location Benefits Administrators Assist and follow up with their employees.
- 5) Sarah reviews open LEs weekly to see if Life Events can be approved
- 6) LE must be completed by Employee & APPROVED by Sarah within 30 days of the LE
- 7) Administrators include any changes with next payroll to payroll processor.



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Diocese of Bismarck Parish Business Office Forums

Spring & Fall

2 Locations

Risk Management & Insurance

Insurance Inspections

Self-inspection – required by CMG during years when no onsite inspection is performed

Onsite Inspections – Near 20% of entities inspected each year.

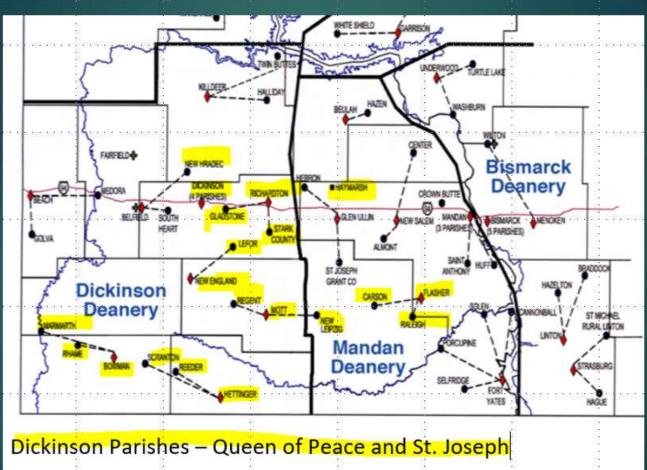
Self-inspection -

Submit online to CMG

Onsite Inspections –

- After inspection CMG report submitted to parish
- Parish requested to respond within 60 days

2020 Onsite Inspections Week of June 8





Synod Appendix 37

Updated on DOB Website



Appendix 37: Contract Review Policy

PURPOSE: This policy designed to help parishes navigate the often-complex process of entering into contracts and agreements with 3rd parties. The ultimate goal of this policy is to protect parishes/institutions by ensuring that liability under the contract is assumed by the proper party and additionally that the Diocese does not agree to any unnecessary hold harmless provisions.

DEFINITIONS: For the purpose of this policy, the term, "Contract" is defined as a written agreement between a service provider and the Diocesan entity (parish, school, etc.) which outlines terms of a work, service, and payment. The term "Contractor" is defined as a service provider who provides a written contract for signature. The term Service Provider (or Service Vendor) is used to denote any business/vendor that is hired to provide a service but does not work issue a contract.

TYPES OF CONTRACTS: This paragraph provides and overview of the types of contracts commonly used by a parish/institution.

1. Large Construction Contracts: Large or complex projects, especially those involving new

Internal Auditor

Property Records

Parishes

- Parish Reviews
- Parish Desk Audits
- Parish Contribution Records Audits
- Parish Annual Reports

Diocese

Department Audits

Internal Auditor Spring 2020

Conducts Parish Financial Reviews:

- Large Parishes (>500 families) every 18 months.
- Small Parishes (<500 families) every 3 years.
- Special Reviews: Completed with new pastor assignment, due to financial concerns, or at parish request.
- 38 parish corporations reviewed last fiscal year, 38 programmed for current fiscal year.

Conducts Annual Parish Desk Audit:

- Completed for each parish annually.
- Graphs statistical data, God Share Goals & Contributions, Income-Expense, and Savings & Investment data over past five fiscal years.
- Provides overall risk assessment of parish corporation.

Review of parish Annual Contribution Records:

- Review of Parish procedures for producing annual contribution reports to parishioners.
- 9 parishes reviewed last fiscal year, 3 parishes programmed for review this fiscal year.

Reviews Parish Annual End-of-Year Financial Reports:

- Review of each parish Corporate Board meeting minutes, annual fiscal reports, and cost-share agreements.
- Feedback/findings provided to parish through Parish Resource Office.

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Conducts Financial Review of Diocesan Departments:

- Review of General Ledger entries and transaction documentation, budget process/accuracy, and written policies and procedures.
- New responsibility beginning this fiscal year.
- Emmaus Place currently under review.

Review/Compile Active Property Records:

- Five-year project to identify active property deeds for all Diocesan properties
- Goal: Establish "Active" and "Historical" property records for all Diocese and Parish Properties.
- Consists of review of Ownership Reports from County Treasurers and legal review (Bair Law Firm) of property deeds at county archives.
- Emmons County currently under review. Burleigh, Morton and Sioux Counties programmed to be completed this fiscal year.



Internal Auditor - Financial Review Program

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Types of Financial Reviews

Normal Cycle: - Large Parishes (>500 families) completed every 18 months.

- Small Parishes (<500 families) completed triennially.

Off-Cycle Reviews: - Parishes with Financial Concerns (loans, expenses, cashflow, bookkeeping, etc.).

- Parishes with newly assigned pastors.

Special Reviews: - Diocese Desk Audit Report - Snap shot of all parishes temporal activities (to include: God's Share

status, fiscal activities, and statistical report).

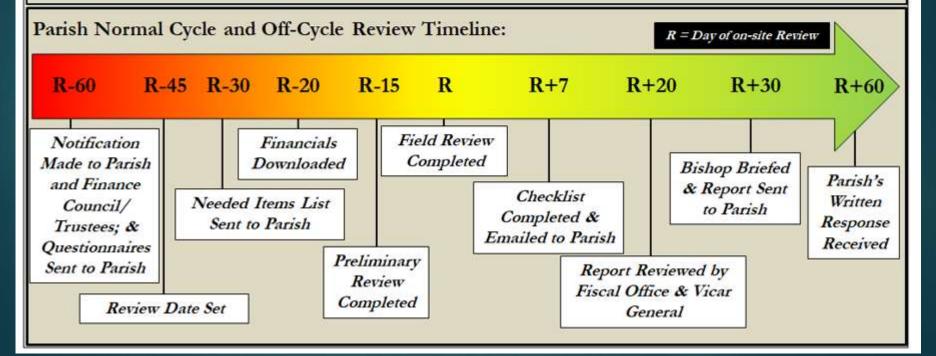
- Focused Review - Review done for particular topic area (grocery consumption, expense vs. income,

oil revenue, done for one or more parishes).

- Abbreviated Review - Parish financial review conducted as a desk audit, foregoing the onsite

portion of the review.

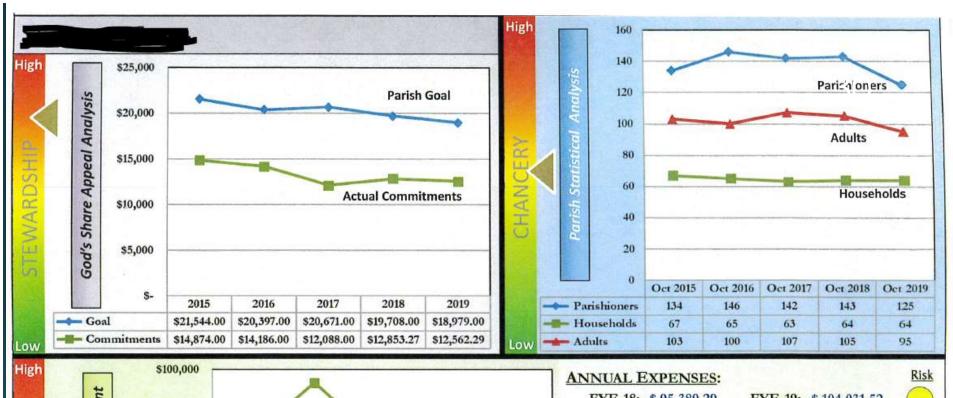
Diocese Office Reviews: - Financial review of Diocesan Office(s) when directed by Bishop of Vicar General



Internal Audit / Paris	sh Financial Review
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Parish	Reviewed:
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Category/Finding	Low	High	Finding	Parish	Diocese	Acct. Solution
I. Parish Organization (Corporate Structure, Parish Councils).			r fey in	DI) 70	Shi Sa	71.
• Finance Council meets approximately one-time per year. For the finance council to adequately advise the pastor, it is recommended the council meet quarterly.	x			X		
II. Cash Handling & Disbursement A. Collection Handling & Other Income. 1. Mass Collections:						
No concerns noted.		1		HOLL BY		
2 Other Income (Including walk-in/mail-in income, bequests, and fundraising):						
No concerns noted.						
B. Annual Giving Statements.		1000				
No concerns noted.		A VANDO	Residence	No. of the		
C. Cash Holding & Investing. 1. Bank & Investment Account Setup:						
Parish has multiple local checking and savings accounts. Most bills for expenses relating to these accounts are paid from the General Checking account and subsequently transferred out. Because the pastor is the only signatory on these accounts, the parish may be able to eliminate some of these accounts and reduce the number of transactions needed to manage these funds.	х			х		
2. Investments and Loans (Expansion Fund, Endowments, FDIC & Loans):			Transfer of			
 Parish has local trust fund valued at \$796K. Synod Statute 252 directs these funds be placed in the Catholic Foundation. Parish may request dispensation from this requirement in accordance with Statute 9 of the Synodal Legislation. Written requests for dispensation should include all supporting documentation to include bank statements and record of any stipulations or conditions made at the time of the original bequest and submitted through the Diocesan Finance Office for Bishop's approval. 		x		х		
 Pastor does not initial quarterly statements of the parish's local endowment, indicating his review. (Last fiscal year, this endowment had gains of \$58,990.76 and losses of \$42,343.91 due to market fluctuations, which require close reviewed by the Pastor). 		x		х		





FYE-18: \$ 95,389.29 FYE-19: \$ 104,031.52

FYE-19 Expense/Household: \$ 1,625.49

FYE-19 Expense Ranking: (26 of 95)

FUNDS MANAGEMENT:

Operating Fund Policy: Compliant FDIC Protection: Compliant

Savings/Investment Type: Expansion & Local

LOAN/BALANCE: None

APPROVED RESOLUTIONS:

FYE 2016- \$14.5K Parish Hall Air Conditioning FYE 2016- \$18.5K Parking Lot Chip Sealing

FYE 2018- \$11.1K Church Carpeting

ANNUAL FISCAL REPORT: Compliant



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Parish Post Gifting Vocations





INTERNAL AUDITOR



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The Internal Auditor assists the Bishop of Bismarck in his role as administrator of the temporal goods of the Diocese by providing independent, objective assurance and advisory services designed to promote operational efficiency and effectiveness and adherence to Diocesan policies and procedures. The auditor is responsible with supervision for review/audit of financial records and practices of both Diocesan Departments/Ministries and Parishes/Schools as assigned, to assess effectiveness of internal controls, accuracy of financial records and efficiency of operations to ensure compliance with diocesan policy and procedure and governmental reporting requirements. The auditor further provides assistance and support, as assigned, with educational sessions on financial and risk control topics including the areas of budget preparation, payroll issues, accounting, internal controls, tax and best business practices.

Resources for Parish Reviews

Diocese Best Practices Guide - Complete

Parish Review Checklist

Parish Review Questionnaire

Mass Stipend - Stole Fee Questionnaire

External Investment Questionnaire

Parish Concern Questionnaire

Taxes

State Sales Tax

Federal UBI Tax



State Sales Tax

Churches are subject to ND sales and use tax

PURCHASES

- Must Pay
 - Only Exemption "..purchase of bibles, hymnals, textbooks and prayer books "

SALES

- Must Collect, Report and Pay if operating a for-profit retail store.
- May be granted exemption for one-time events if requested and approved with ND State Tax Commissioner office.

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SALES TAX-CHURCHES IN NORTH DAKOTA

Occasionally questions arise if churches are exempt from paying sales tax on purchases or if they are obligated to pay sales tax if they sell religious items, religious cd's or books to their parishioners.

PARISHES REQUIREMENT TO PAY SALES TAX:

Generally, churches are obligated to pay sales tax on purchases, unlike private and parochial schools where exempt from paying sales tax when purchasing items to be used exclusively in the operation of their school. There is a single sales tax exemption for churches regarding the purchase of certain books such bibles, hymnals, textbooks and prayer books.

PARISHES REQUIREMENT TO COLLECT SALES TAX:

- Parishes operating a for-profit retail store, regardless of size, is required to have a ND Sales Tax License to collect Sales Tax in accordance with state law.
- Generally, churches can be granted exemptions from collecting and remitting sales tax, if requeste
 on sales at one-time events when the entire amount is expended for charitable or religious
 purposes. Exemption does not apply:
 - a. if the gross receipts exceed \$10,000
 - b. if the event is held in a public facility
 - if receipts are from regularly scheduled or ongoing activities in direct competition with other retailers.

To file for exemption, send an email to salestax@nd.gov requesting sales tax exemption and provide:

- 1. WHO Your parish name, address and tax identification number
- 2. WHAT what are you planning to sell
- 3. WHEN date(s) you are conducting the sales or if it is ongoing
- 4. WHERE state if the sales will be at the parish or provide location of the sales
- 5. WHY the purpose of the sales i.e. religious purposes, specific fundraising or charitable purpose

The links below provide more information on churches and sales tax.

- · State of North Dakota Tax Commissioner Memorandum
- · State of North Dakota Tax Commissioner Guideline
- See page 15 under Exemptions of the North Dakota Century Code on Sales Tax Chapter 57-39.2

Tax~Churches in North Dakota

Info on DOB

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Planned Giving/Foundation

Unrelated Business Income

(Requires Filing 990-T)

UBI – Generally income generated from a "trade or business" activity that is "regularly carried on" and is not "substantially related" to one or more of the organization's exempt purposes

Common Examples

- Operating a public restaurant
- Selling unrelated items in a bookstore or gift shop
- Selling advertising
- Parking lot operations

Rental property

- Is property debt financed?.... > 85% used for exempt?
 Plans to demolish building(s) for exempt use within 15 years?
- Other Considerations i.e. legal liability, land use, property taxes, sales taxes

Unrelated Business Income

UBI

(Requires Filing 990-T)

Gain on sale of debt-financed property not used for exempt purposes may be taxable

Example:

Church buys a vacant parcel of land for \$1,000,000 in Year1 and incurs debit in the amount of \$800,000 in so doing with the intent of using the property for exempt purposes at some time in the future. The church never uses the property for exempt purposes. In Year10, Church sells the property for \$10,000,000 at a time when the remaining acquisition indebtedness is \$500,000. Church will incur a substantial liability related to its \$9,000,000 gain.

Planning Pointer:

If Church had paid off the acquisition debt 13 months before it closed on the sale of the property, NONE of the gain would have been taxable. This is an example of where good tax planning could have resulted in a very substantial tax savings!

Unrelated Business Income

UBI

(Requires Filing 990-T)

Substantial Unrelated Business Activity can jeopardize exempt status

990-T -must file if \$1000 or more, \$500 or more must pay est. tax

IRS – "Donations" are revenue

Unrelated Business Income Tax has nothing to do with sales tax

Mineral royalties are excluded from UBI whether measured by production or by gross or taxable income from the mineral property.

"Silo Rule" change effective 2018 no longer allows using losses from separate unrelated activities to offset income in others.

Reminders & Information Sharing



Reminder from Fall Forum

For Parish Checks to Diocese

Be sure NAME and address on check is correct: Beginning 1/1/2020 CHECKS WILL BE RETURNED

Diocese of Bismarck-Pastoral Center (PO Box 1137-58502)

Parish Expansion Fund (PO Box 1175-58502)

Priest Benefit Association (PBA) (PO Box 1175-58502)

Catholic Foundation of Western North Dakota (PO Box 1175-58502)

If payment is to the Diocese of Bismarck

- A. Is for a collection
 - -Provide the requested detail
 - -Do not combine check with other non-collection payments
- B. Is for other purposes provide information on the stub or memo line for the purpose of payment

i.e. Property Insurance, Payroll/Accounting Services, Software Subscription, Binations or Mass intentions (also provide intentions).

Note: Diocese of Bismarck-Chancery Office (PO Box 1575-58502)

Payments to Diocese

Diocese of Bismarck

PO Box 1137 Bismarck, ND 58502

- Binations
- Black & Indian Mission collection
- Catholic Mutual Property Insurance payments
- Clergy Conference/Retreat registrations
- Deacon Retreats
- Disaster Relief collections
- East Europe collections
- Faith Formation books/materials
- Family Ministry materials/Focus Scoring
- ***God Share payments***
- Holy Land collections
- Latin America collections
- Long-Term Care Insurance payments
- Mass Stipends/Intentions
- Parish Services payments
- Peter's Pence/Holy Father collections
- Propagation of Faith/World Mission collections
- Property Insurance premiums
- Retirement for Religious collections
- Rice Bowl collections
- Search registrations
- Special Event insurance
- Youth Ministry event fees

Parish Expansion Fund

PO Box 1175 Bismarck, ND 58502

- · Loan payments
- Term deposits
- Demand deposits

Priest's Benefit Association

PO Box 1175 Bismarck, ND 58502

- PBA dues
- Donations to PBA

Catholic Foundation of Western North Dakota

PO Box 1175 Bismarck, ND 58502

- African Mission
- Seminarian Burse
- Seminarian Major
- · Seminarian Minor
- Agency Accounts
- Endowment includes Parish
 Endowments, Family Named
 Endowments, Priest Care, Catholic
 Schools & Religious Education, etc.

^{***}God Share payments should not be included with other General Fund collections

Related Additional Item

Donor checks issued to parish endowment account and given to parish should not be deposited by parish!

Mail to: Catholic Foundation for Western ND
(Diocese PO Box address)

The Reverend Paul D. Becker to retire with the permission of the diocesan Bishop.

The Reverend William P. Cosgrove to retire with the permission of the diocesan Bishop.

The Reverend Charles A. Zins to retire with the permission of the diocesan Bishop.

The Reverend Monsignor Patrick A. Schumacher, S.T.L. to be Pastor of Corpus Christi, Bismarck.

The Reverend Robert P. Shea, to be Pastor of St. Wenceslaus, Dickinson.

The Reverend Joshua K. Waltz, to be Pastor of St. Joseph, Mandan.

The Reverend Terry R. Wipf, to be Pastor of St. Bridget, Parshall, St. Elizabeth, Makoti, and Sacred Heart, Plaza.

The Reverend Raphael M. Obotama, to be Parochial Administrator for Holy Trinity, Hettinger, Sacred Heart, Reeder, and Sacred Heart, Scranton.

The Reverend Patrick Ojedeji, to be Parochial Administrator for St. Patrick, Crosby, St. Luke, Noonan, and St. John the Baptist, Portal.

The Reverend Jordan J. Dosch, to be Diocesan Director of Vocations.

The Reverend Dominic F. Bouck, to be Chaplain for the University of Mary and Assistant Diocesan Director of Vocations.

The Reverend Jarad P. Wolf, Parochial Vicar for St. Mary Parish, Bismarck, to be also Chaplain for Light of Christ St. Mary Central High School.

The Reverend Brandon Wolf, Parochial Vicar for Spirit of Life, Mandan, to be also Chaplain for Light of Christ St. Mary Academy.

The Reverend Mr. Christian Smith, following ordination, to be Chaplain for Trinity Catholic Schools and part-time Parochial Vicar for St. Patrick, Dickinson.

The Reverend Mr. Mark Aune, following ordination, to be Parochial Vicar for Corpus Christi, Bismarck, and part-time Religion Instructor for Light of Christ St. Mary Central High School.

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Budget Process Budgets are Moral Documents

Dec / Jan Create initial budget draft using insight

Start with YTD actual or tweak last year budget

Provide to Pastor for review

Jan

Pastor provides input

Draft for finance council

Feb Mar

Council meeting & discussions

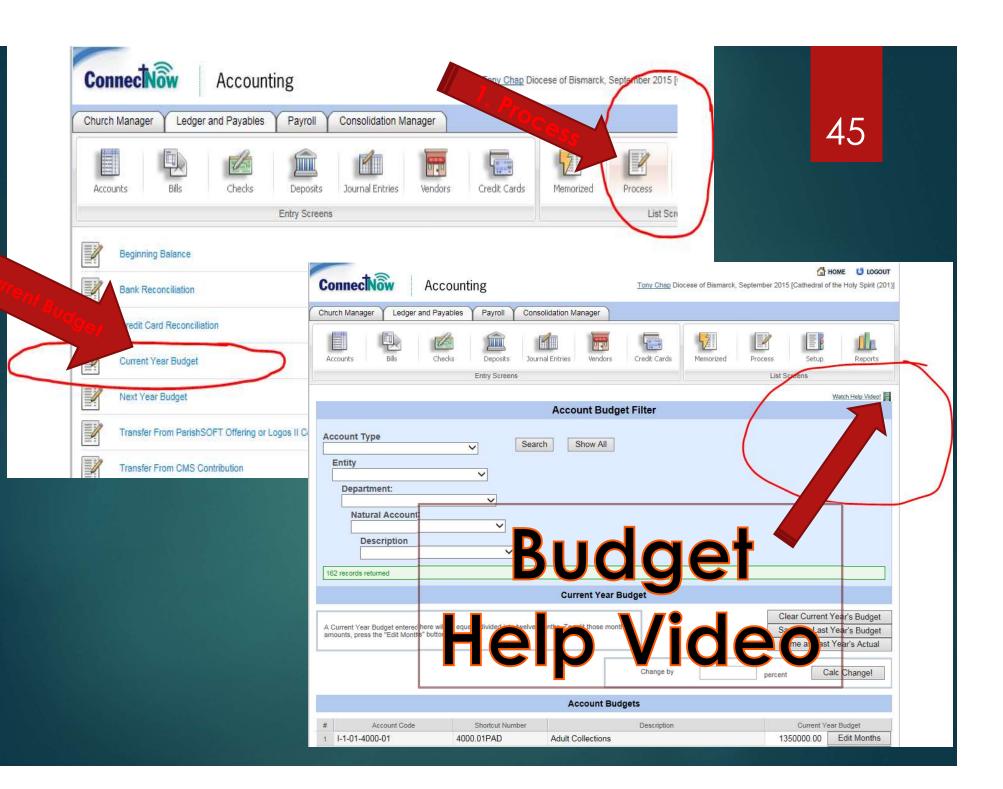
• Input for new draft

Apr May Jun Council meetings & discussions

• Budget draft updates

End of June

• Finalize Budget - signoff by June 30th



<u>Budget Related</u>

Parish Budget Cost Projections

For 2020-2021 Fiscal Year

April 30, 2020

Health Insurance Group (billed monthly) +5% avg (Msgr. Lindemann parish/school email 2/28/20)

Employer paid 401K: 0% change

Priest Benefit Assoc. (PBA) (Dec. billing) unknown +3% estimated *

Long Term Care (October billing) unknown +3% estimated *

Pastor / Associate Salary: To be announced early June by Chancery Office

Mileage: Current IRS rate \$0.575 per mile

Building/Liability Insurance (July billing) To be determined

Parish Soft Software (August billing) +5%**

DCA Postage (February billing) No change anticipated unless a parish household

changes*

^{*}billing based on number of parish households

^{**} ParishSOFT bases costs on threshold levels of parish households

Parish Oil / Gas Revenue Diocese assists 20+ parishes/schools

Use a consultant with over 40 years of experience in Oil/Gas industry in North Dakota

Assist with:

- >-Leases
- >-Division orders
- >-Easements / temporary line permits
- >-Other related

Parish uses their tax ID and name but PO Box 1137 Bismarck, ND (diocese) as primary address with energy companies.

Revenue checks are deposited in parish's Expansion Fund account and parishes are emailed details within 5 days of receipt



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Diaconate

Education

Emmaus Place

Family Ministry/Respect Life

Finance

FINANCE

The Finance Office of the Diocese of Bismarck is responsible for administering an temporal goods of the diocese to assure that assets and expenditures are legitim protected per the bishop, related diocesan authorities, and per norms of canons 4 Canon Law.

This office is directed with preparation and presentation of accounting reports for programs, maintenance of the diocesan financial accounting system and records Generally Accepted Accounting Principles and oversees the annual independent a diocesan corporate and trust entities, listed below. Other financial duties include a monitoring of the annual budget, maintaining diocesan employees' payroll, provid assistance to diocesan offices, related benefits, and overseeing the diocese (clerc parishes, & schools' 401(k) retirement and health plans. In addition, the office over computer and technology services for the diocese. The needs of the retired priest also served by staff of this office.

The Finance Office serves as the liaison between the diocese and the following to the Priest Benefit Association (priests' retirement plan), Casey Trust Fund (trust fi education), Expansion Fund (deposit and loan fund for parishes and schools), and Future (consists of Catholic Schools and Religious Education Fund, Priests' Care Scholarship Fund, and other small funds).

Navigate the links on the menu to the left to view the different information available

USCCB Resolution on Financial Reporting USCCB Group Ruling for IRS Non-Profit Status Internal Revenue Service P.O. Box 2508 Cincinnati, OH 45201

Date: August 21, 2019

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops 3211 4th Street, NE Washington, DC 20017-1194

Department of the Treasury

Person to Contact: R. Mever ID# 0110429

Toll Free Telephone Number:

877-829-5500

Group Exemption Number:

Dear Sir/Madam:

This responds to your August 14, 2019, request for information regarding the status of your group tax exemption.

Our records indicate that you were issued a determination letter in March 1946, that you are currently exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code because you are described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(i).

With your request, you provided a copy of the Official Catholic Directory for 2019, which includes the names and addresses of the agencies and instrumentalities and the educational, charitable, and religious institutions operated by the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, its territories, and possessions that are subordinate organizations under your group tax exemption. Your request indicated that each subordinate organization is a non-profit organization, that no part of the net earnings thereof inures to the benefit of any individual, and that no substantial part of their activities is for promotion of legislation. You have further represented that none of your subordinate organizations is a private foundation under section 509(a), although all subordinates do not all share the same sub-classification under section 509(a). Based on your representations, the subordinate organizations in the Official Catholic Directory for 2019 are recognized as exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code under GEN

Donors may deduct contributions to you and your subordinate organizations as provided

USCCB Group Ruling 501(c)(3) non-profit status







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DIOCESAN SYNOD

As the Diocese of Bismarck has become a much more diverse body of Catholic faithful, the pastoral needs of the diocese have also become more diverse. The Second Vatican Council understood that the institution of the Diocesan Synod would be an invaluable tool for implementing the legislation and pastoral initiatives that are relevant to the needs of particular churches. As stated in Christus Dominus:

This sacred ecumenical synod earnestly desires that the venerable institution of synods and councils flourish with fresh vigor. In such a way faith will be deepened and discipline preserved more fittingly and efficaciously in the various churches, as the needs of the times require.

Below is a link to a presentation containing a brief history on Diocesan Synods and a summary of the Second Synod of the Diocese of Bismarck.

Diocesan Synod Presentation

Watch the recording of the live stream from the Synod Mass, Nov. 9, 2016



Synod Resource Manual for **Parishes**

Compendium to the 2016 Synod Directory

(Update of 2011 Manual)

On DOB Website -under Synod 4/29/2020

Synod Resource Manual For Parishes

- Please note that the Synod Resource Manual for Parishes is NOT particular law of the Diocese in and of itself.
- ► The manual is meant to be a compendium of the Diocesan Synod Statutes and Appendices found in the Synod Directory to help in understanding these laws.
- If, by chance, you see something in the manual that conflicts with what you see in the Synod Statutes and Appendices, the Synod Statutes and Appendices always have precedence over this manual.
- There should be no conflicts and both the statutes and this manual will be updated together when necessary.

REQUIREMENTS

Only a person who has never been baptized in any valid Christian religion can be baptized (c. 864). If you have any questions about the validity of a certain religion's baptism or the manner in w

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RECORDING MARRIAGES

All marriages should be recorded in the marriage register of the parish in which the wedding was celebrated. Additionally, the information must be sent to the parish of baptism of Catholic parties (DOB Synod Statutes 168, 170).

Genealogical Research/Parish Archives

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MASS INTENTIONS

NORMAL MASS OFFFRING

In the Diocese of Bismarck, the set amount for a Mass offering is \$10 (DOB Synod Statute 270 §1).

No one may demand or suggest that a higher offering is to be made. A priest who agrees to offer Mass for a specific intention is morally and canonically bound to do so, even if no stipend

Orientation: New Parish Administrator (Bookkeeper/Manager)

>Since February 2019 13 new parish employees representing 27 parishes

>Engage with key diocese department staff

>Provide Overview, Emphasizing
-website and other resources available
-important timeline requirements
-benefits, insurance, accounting,
reviews, etc.

Human Resources

Employee Information

Where to Retain It

More Info on DOB website – Parish Post Archive-Employer Documentation

Type of Record	Location	
Education and training records	Personnel file	
Employment agreements (noncompete, confidentiality agreements)	Personnel file	
Handbook and policy acknowledgments	Personnel file	
Job descriptions	Personnel file	
Letters of recognition and awards	Personnel file	
Pay and compensation information	Personnel file	
Performance evaluations and goal-setting records	Personnel file	
Records relating to job offers, promotion, demotion, transfer and layoffs	Personnel file	
Recruiting and screening documents such as applications, resumes and educational transcripts	Personnel file	
Termination notice and documentation	Personnel file	
Warnings, counseling and disciplinary notices	Personnel file	
Medical records (medical questionnaires, benefit claims, doctor's notes, accommodation requests, medical leave records, workers' compensation claims)	Medical file	
Immigration (I-9) forms	I-9 file	
Affirmative action self-identification of race, gender and veteran status	Confidential file	
Child support/garnishments	Confidential file	
Credit Checks	Confidential file	
Drug test results	Confidential file	
Equal employment opportunity (EEO) self-identification of gender and race/ethnicity	Confidential file	
Litigation documents	Confidential file	
Reference/background check results	Confidential file	
Requests for employment/payroll verification	Confidential file	
Workplace investigation records (although relevant disciplinary action, counseling or other		
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New I-9 Mandatory May 1

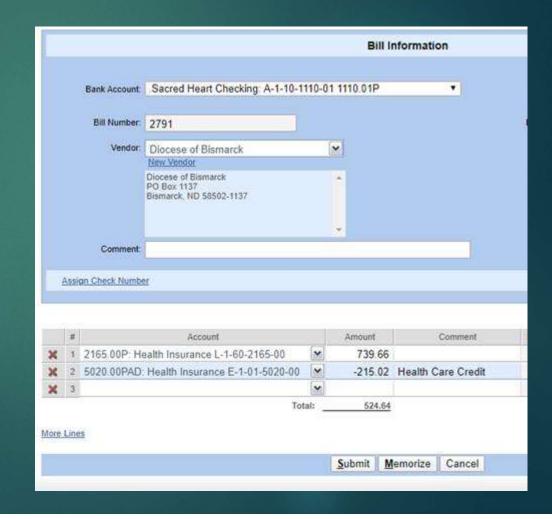
Info on DOB website – Parish Post Archive-New I-9 Form

Health Care Premium Credit

April 28th email

Credit to assist parishes

- When you process the medical bill
 - Use Health Care Payables as normal to reduce the full health care cost (not including credit)
 - Reduce Health Care Expense equaling the credit as a negative amount
 - Net effect is what is deducted from checking







Fall Parish Business Forum Meetings October 2020

ParishSOFT Roadshow April 21, 2021

Thank You

For all the effort and support that you give to your parishes and parishioners.

