

# Diocese of Sacramento

## JOB DESCRIPTION

**PARISH:** St. Catherine of Siena      **POSITION STATUS:** Part Time (15 hr./week)

**POSITION:** Parish Bookkeeper

**SCHEDULE:** 3 days per week (approx.. 15 hours total)

**CATEGORY:** Non-Exempt, Casual Part time

**SUPERVISOR:** Pastor

**JOB SUMMARY:** The Parish Bookkeeper provides day to day financial and operational services and computer input/output services in accordance with Diocesan internal control procedures. Has direct responsibility for the administration of personnel policies and procedures, human resource management, and financial management of the parish.

**ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS:** Applies the professional skills and knowledge of specialized field to perform work without specific directions using considerable judgment. Collaborates with and advises pastor.

### **Financial Responsibilities:**

- Responsible for maintaining an adequate internal control system to safeguard parish assets and ensure the efficient stewardship of parish resources.
- Prepare, administer and review the budget process in collaboration with the pastor, the Finance Council and other committees. Assist the Finance Council in preparing the annual budget.
- Serve as liaison between the parish and the diocesan finance office in financial matters including any requests for approval of parish expenditures of more than \$15,000.

### **Book Keeping Functions:**

1. Cash Receipts
  - Record cash receipts in the general ledger and subsidiary records
    - QuickBooks
    - ParishSoft Offering Module
  - Perform month-end reconciliation procedures
2. Cash Disbursements
  - Process vendor invoices and check requests for approval, ensuring compliance with Diocesan policy and legal requirements.
  - Prepare checks for signature by the Pastor
  - Record checks in the general ledger and cash disbursements journal
  - Perform month-end reconciliation procedures
3. Payroll
  - Obtain and gather applicable payroll and employee benefit information for processing
  - Compute wages and withholdings, and process payroll through ADP
  - Perform month-end reconciliation procedures
  - Prepare annual payroll information returns (W-2s, 1099s, etc.)
4. General Ledger and Financial Statements
  - Prepare monthly journal entries
  - Reconcile bank accounts and other general ledger accounts

- Review general ledger activity and post adjusting journal entries
  - Produce (print out) the monthly general ledger and financial statements
5. Financial Statements
- Prepare and submit monthly Financial Reporting to Pastor and Parish Finance council
    - Income and Expense
    - Collection trends
    - Capital Campaign results
    - Other reporting as requested
6. Other duties as assigned, including
- Respond and fulfill requests of the pastor.
  - Attend staff meetings and other committee meetings as appropriate. Attend diocesan meeting where appropriate for training and development.
  - Ensure that the Diocese of Sacramento safe-environment protocols are in place and followed.
  - Collaborate with the Finance Council.

**MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS:**

**Education:** B. A. in accounting, finance, or equivalent.

**Experience:** Three years of bookkeeping experience, or professional experience in accounting or business financial management.

**Skills / Knowledge:** Knowledge of the Church’s mission in the Diocese of Sacramento; practicing Catholic with knowledge and understanding of the Catholic Church in general; general accounting methods and practices, including general ledger, accounts receivable and payable, payroll, taxation, and personnel record keeping; reports writing; correct English usage, spelling, grammar, and punctuation; effective telephone techniques, and filing systems; proficiency in Microsoft Excel and Word; experience with QuickBooks helpful.

Ability to: Perform testing of account records and internal control systems; analyze accounting and financial data, prepare and deliver written and oral reports with clarity, accuracy, and substance; understands computer programs and application to audit and accounting systems; work well with pastors, other diocesan administrators, and staff, use independent judgment.

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EMPLOYEE SIGNATURE      DATE      SUPERVISOR SIGNATURE      DATE