



Memo

Date: August 10, 2026

To: Pastors, principals, administrators, business managers and bookkeepers

From: Patrick Warner, parish accounting manager, RCAA Administrative Services, Inc.

Re: Fiscal year-end close in ParishSOFT Accounting for 2025-2026

REMINDERS BEFORE CLOSING FISCAL YEAR-END 2025-2026

IMPORTANT DATES:

Below is a reminder of the important dates concerning the 2025-2026 fiscal year-end.

August 31, 2026 – Close fiscal year 2025-2026.

Non-ParishSOFT Accounting users, please submit your June 30, 2026, financial reports to the Office of Finance by this date

September 30, 2026 – Submit the Certification Letter for fiscal year 2025-2026 to the Office of Finance. The parish and school certification letter templates are posted on the archdiocesan Resources website under **Business - Parish Support**. *Annual Reports and Certification Letters Submissions* Website: <https://resources.archatl.com/business/parish-support/>

October 31, 2026 – Submit a copy of the annual report, published for parishioners or school parents, to the archdiocesan Office of Finance. See the website for instructions: Archdiocesan Resources website under **Business - Parish Support** - *Annual Reports and Certification Letters Submissions*. Website: <https://resources.archatl.com/business/parish-support/>

CASH – DEPOSITS IN TRANSIT – Before closing the year-end, make sure there is a zero balance in account 1070, Cash - Deposits in Transit. Clear any balance in the account before closing the fiscal year. This account must be zero before closing.

OUTSTANDING CHECKS AND DEPOSITS – Clear any outstanding checks or deposits, from the Bank Reconciliation, that are over 60-90 days old.

LOANS – If the parish/school has a loan, be sure to reconcile the loan balance on the balance sheet to the loan balance on the June 30, 2026, D&L (Deposit and

Loan) statement from the archdiocese.

RECONCILE – Reconcile all non-checking/savings account balances on the balance sheet. Contact Patrick Warner if:

- You have remitted all the second collections but still have second collection balances on the balance sheet
- You have any tax withholding accounts (federal, FICA, state) with balances.
- You have any other balances in the assets or liabilities (ex. petty cash, payroll deductions, Mass stipends, prepaid items, etc.) that you cannot reconcile

ENDOWMENT ENTRIES:

Please do not close the fiscal year without recording the endowment entries, through June 30, 2026. The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia no longer mails the statement. Instead, you will need to download the statement from the Catholic Foundation portal. The June 30th statements should be ready by the last week of July. If you do not have access the Catholic Foundation portal, please contact, John Ronco, jronco@cfnga.org, director of finance at the Foundation.

ARCHDIOCESAN INVOICES:

As one of the last journal entries for the 2025/26 fiscal year, the Office of Finance requires all parishes and schools to record, on the Balance Sheet, any unpaid archdiocesan invoices (more than 60 days old) as of June 30, 2026. In ParishSOFT Accounting, these unpaid invoices will be recorded as journal entries. You will Debit the appropriate expense – Assessment, Annual Appeal Shortfall, Employee Benefits, etc. – and credit the Balance Sheet account, 2990 Due to archdiocese (we may need to add this GL# to your chart of accounts). Please date the journal entry 6/30/2026. When these specific invoices are paid in the future, you will use the GL# 2990 on the bill/payment to the archdiocese, instead of the actual expense account.

Please see the following pages for instructions on closing the fiscal year.