

DIOCESE OF MARQUETTE

POLICY FOR FINANCIAL AUDITS OF PARISHES

A financial audit of parish records shall be conducted as follows:

- 1. **All parishes/missions will be audited at least once every six (6) years.**
- 2. **Parishes can be audited more often than every six (6) years, if special circumstances exist and it is deemed advisable by the Bishop.**
- 3. **Audits will be conducted when requested by the pastor, pastoral coordinator or administrator.**

The diocese will be responsible for notifying the parish when the audit is due and coordinate with the parish appropriate dates for conducting such audit.

Costs for the audit will be the responsibility of the diocese.

Financial audits will be conducted by the Diocesan Auditors or by members of the Diocesan Department of Administration & Finance.

Effective: March 9, 2001

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By means of this general decree, I hereby establish the above policy as particular law within the ecclesiastical region of the Diocese of Marquette and as binding upon the faithful of the same Diocese, according to the norms of the Code of Canon Law (1983).

April 2, 2001
Date

Most Reverend James H. Garland
Bishop of Marquette

Reverend Alex K. Sample
Ecclesiastical Notary