

# Gabriel Updates

*News and updates for all those who use Gabriel Software in their ministry*



## October 9, 2020

Good Morning!

We have two new features of Gabriel Software to introduce this week. One comes in handy when recording non deductible contributions and the other feature helps with fund standardization.

All previous Gabriel Updates are available to all Parishes on the support site. Here is the link...

[Gabriel Updates](#)

God Bless you,  
Roy Verstegen

## Non Deductible Flag

When recording contributions from Parishioners you will find an additional tab stop in your entries. We feel the benefits of having it, are beneficial in a couple ways for the Parish. We are seeing an increase in the number of Non Tax Deductible contributions coming from Parishioners. In the past, we would see the occasional Stock gift or Corporate check come in from Parishioners. With the government raising the Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for folks over the age of 72, we are seeing an increase of donations from people giving checks to the Parish right from their retirement accounts.

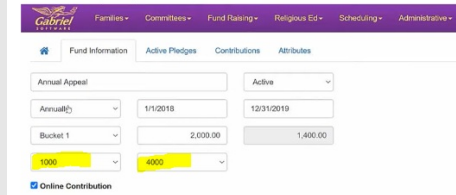
This allows you to record the Contribution to the Parish Support fund, flag it as Non Deductible for the member and keep going. You no longer need to create a Non Deductible Parish Support fund to record that contribution. For Parishes that do Pledging and Periodic statements with their Parishioners it comes in very handy because the contributions exist under the Parish Support fund where they belong. A much better picture of how the pledging and Parishioners are doing with a particular fund.

Contribution Date	Budget	Family	Contribution Amount	Non-Deductible	Reference	Comment
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## Standardizing Funds

Within the next few days we can expect to see two additional fields when setting up Funds in Gabriel. The Parish should continue to name the fund to fit your business need, These two fields will tie this fund to the appropriate Chart of Account codes in the accounting system.

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Here is a screen shot of the fund maintenance. The first account in the dropdown to the left is the Cash Account 1000 (Debit). The dropdown to the right will contain the Revenue or Distribution account 4000 (Credit).



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## Standardizing Funds - Next Steps

Once the fields become available, the next step would be to populate the existing funds with the current Chart of Account code for each fund. We have obtained the latest Chart of Accounts documentation, and list, from Finance and Accounting and will be populating the codes from the Diocese through a spreadsheet and upload process setup with Gabriel.

This list will have two finance people verify the codes before the upload.

If you have questions about the code assigned to a fund, please reach out to Roy Verstegen. Email - [rverstegen@gbdioc.org](mailto:rverstegen@gbdioc.org) or Phone (920) 272-8251

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## Standardizing Funds - New Fund

These two new fields are not mandatory fields when setting up a new fund in Gabriel. If you know the Chart of Account code when setting up a new fund, please put it in using the drop down boxes provided. Any Chart of Account numbers not populated will be populated appropriately by a finance person at the Diocese.

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## Standardizing Funds - Value

Parishes that Pledge based on fiscal year will be able to continue this pledging process by naming funds based on Fiscal years. When reporting on the calendar year, COA codes can be used to report on how a particular group of funds are doing, particularly weekly offerings.

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## Standardizing Funds - Wrap up

We have the latest Chart of Accounts documentation available for you on the Parish Support site. This document was updated in June 2020.

[Chart of Accounts](#)

A listing of current Chart of Account codes is also available on the Support site.

[Chart of Accounts List](#)

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## Office of Information Technology

*The Office of Information Technology provides support and development for technology infrastructure needs within the diocese.*

### IT Help Desk

If you are experiencing difficulties, please call or send an email to the IT Help Desk or Gabriel Software Support. We will support during normal business hours.

- IT Help Desk Email: [IThelpdesk@gbdioc.org](mailto:IThelpdesk@gbdioc.org)
- IT Help Desk Phone: (920) 272-8111
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