

# Parish Helper Online 2.0

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**User Manual** 

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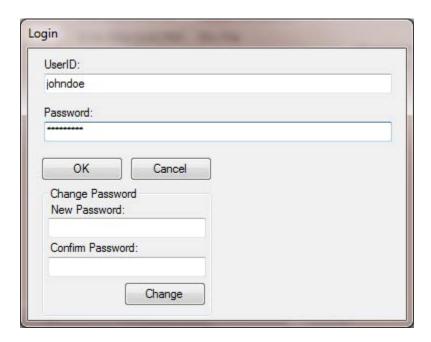
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# **Logging In**

In most cases, you are logged in automatically. However, you may see the log in screen:



If you do not know your username or password, contact Parish Support 314.792.7716. You can also change your password via the login screen.

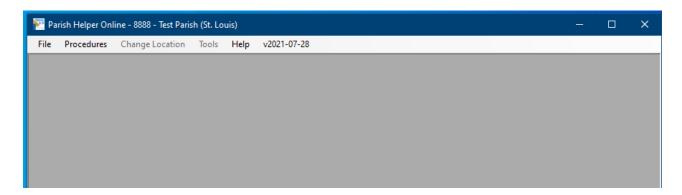
# **Accessing a Location**

If you only have access to one location or parish, you are automatically set to that parish and do not see the screen below. If you have access to more than one parish, you see a dropdown list of the locations you may access. Select the location you want (you can change locations at will through the menu).



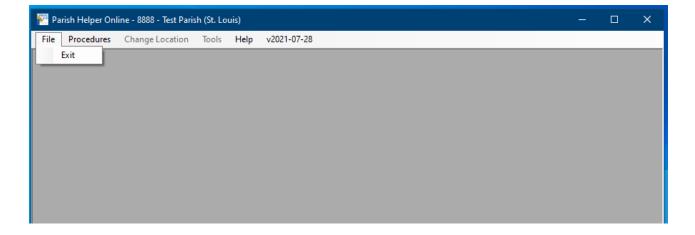
# Main Screen and Menu

The title bar on the main screen lists the currently selected location name as well as the location code (parish number) where applicable. There are five main menu items: File, Procedures, Change Location, Tools, and Help. The Tools menu is not accessible to all users. The Change Location menu is only accessible to users with access to more than one location.



# File Menu

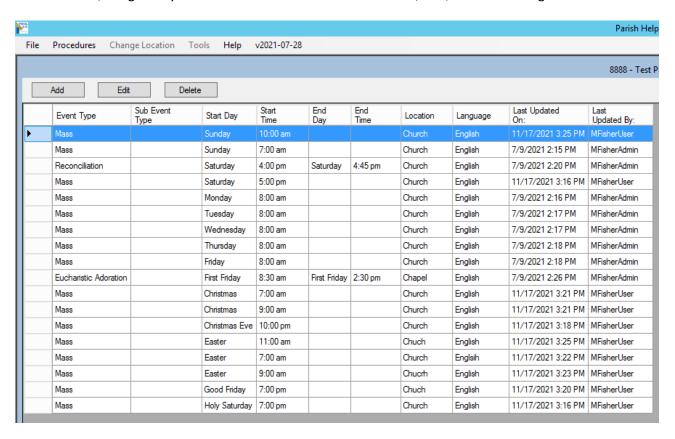
For Log Out and Exit. You can also just click the red X button on the top right of the window.



# **Procedures**

# Mass, Reconciliation, and Eucharistic Adoration Times

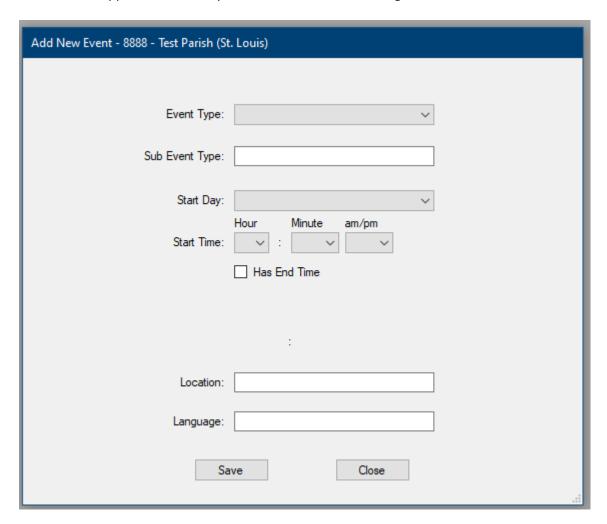
On this screen, is a grid of your location's event times. You can Add, Edit, and Delete single events.



#### **Add New Event**

Click the **Add** button on the main **Events** screen. A new window opens with a blank record.

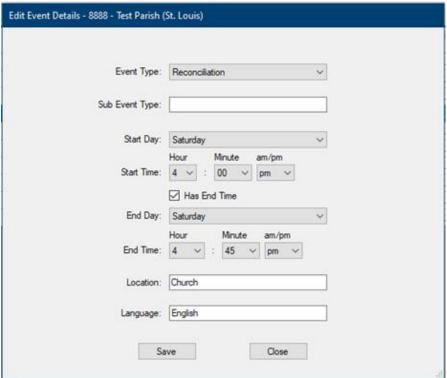
Select an **Event Type** (Mass, Reconciliation, etc.). The **Sub Event Type** is optional but can be used to be more specific. Please note **Start Day** contains a drop down list of specific days and Holy Days for you to scroll through and make a selection. The only time you need to put in an **End Time** is for something that ends at a specific time, such as Reconciliation. To enter an **End Time**, check the **Has End Time** box and the fields appear. Make sure you click **Save** to save all changes.



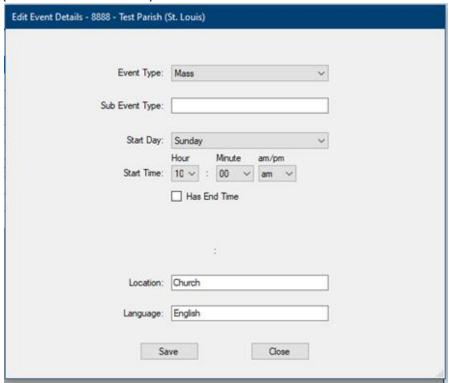
# **Edit Existing Event**

To edit an existing event, select the row in the grid and click **Edit**. You can also double click the row to open the record. Here you can make any changes needed. Make sure you click **Save** to save all changes.

# (Event with End Time)

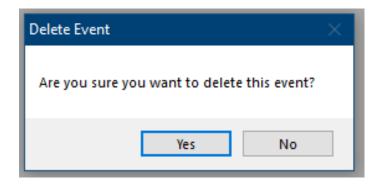


# (Event without End Time)

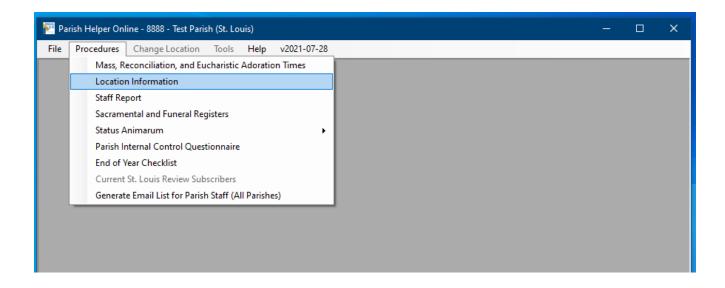


#### **Delete Event**

To delete an event, select the row in the grid and click the **Delete** button. You receive the following prompt to confirm the deletion. Click **Yes** to delete, **No** to cancel.

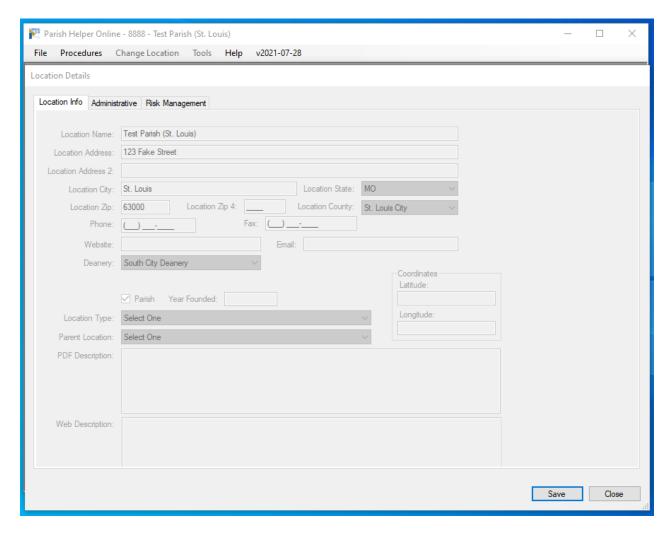


# **Location Information**



#### **Location Info**

The Location Information is the basic information for the location. This is the data that shows up on the Archdiocesan website. Clicking this menu item brings up the following form:



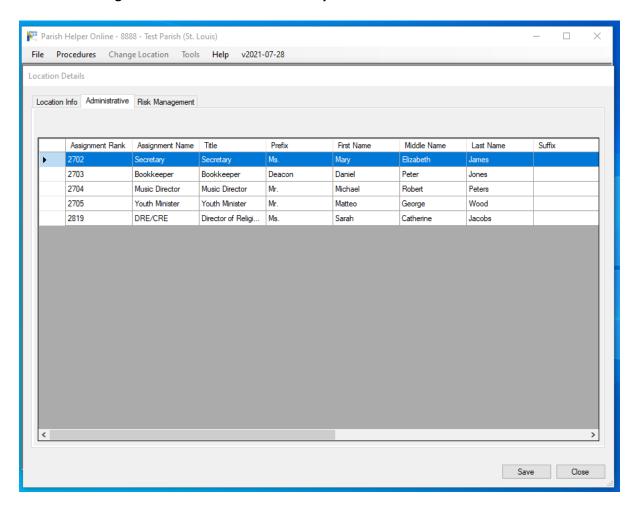
**Location Type** cannot be accessed if the **Parish** box is checked, therefore the information is grayed out for parish users. The information on this tab is maintained by the Archdiocese. If any information on this tab is incorrect, please contact Parish Support at 314.792-7716.

# **Risk Management**

Risk Management information is maintained by the Office of Risk Management at the Archdiocese, and is grayed out for parish users.

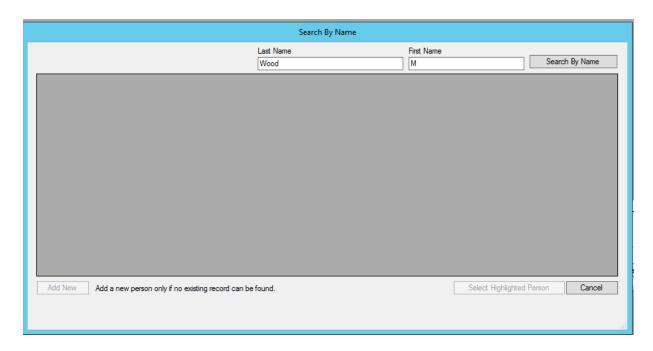
#### **Administrative**

On the second tab, labeled **Administrative**, is a grid list of positions, or assignments, at the location. Here you can add, edit, and remove people from the staff list. \*\*You cannot add/edit/delete Priest and Deacon assignments. These are maintained by the Archdiocese.

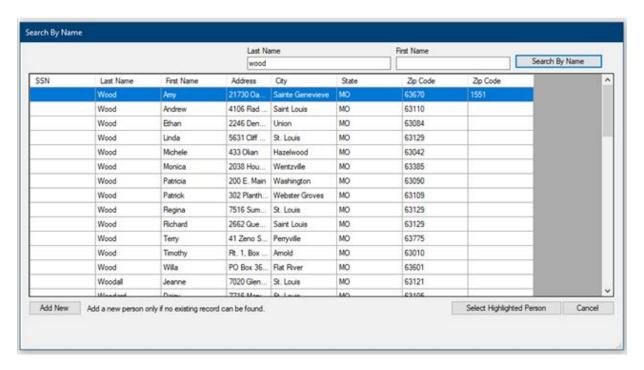


#### **Add New Position**

To add a new position, click the Add Person button. To add a new person, first search the database to check if they already exist. On the search screen, the **Add New** is not accessible. This verifies that the user actually searches the database for the person they are trying to add. It becomes accessible once the search is completed.



Example: If you need to add Matteo Wood as your Youth Minister. The first thing to do is search for him. Type in his last name and clicked **Search By Name.** (You can search by **Last or First Name**, it can be helpful to search without the first name in case of nicknames, i.e. Robert and Bob.) There are results, but Matteo is not on the list. If he were in the results, you also have the address field visible to help verify that it is the correct Matteo Wood. If he were already in the database, you want to click **Select Highlighted Person** to open his record. Since he does not exist, click **Add New**.



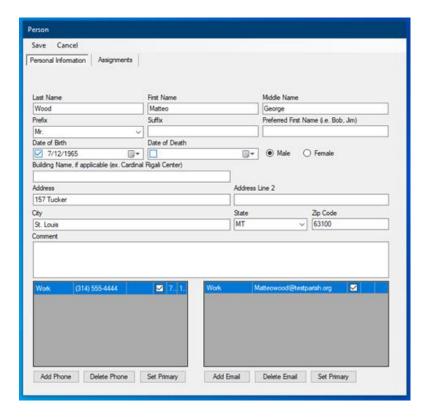
After clicking **Add New**, you may see a prompt similar to this for confirmation:

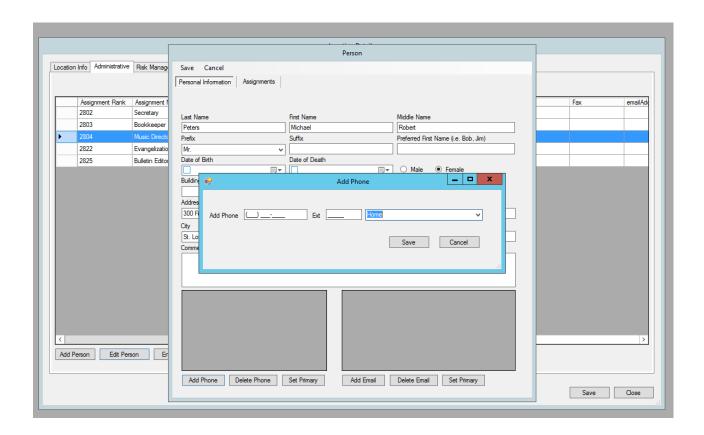


After clicking **Yes**, you see the **Person** form. It has two different tabs: **Personal Information** and **Assignments** 

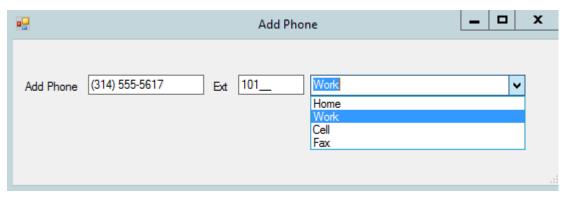
# **Personal Information**

The **Personal Information** tab fields are mostly basic information. Personal information must include an email address and those assigned to secretary, bookkeeper and business manager must include a cell phone number.





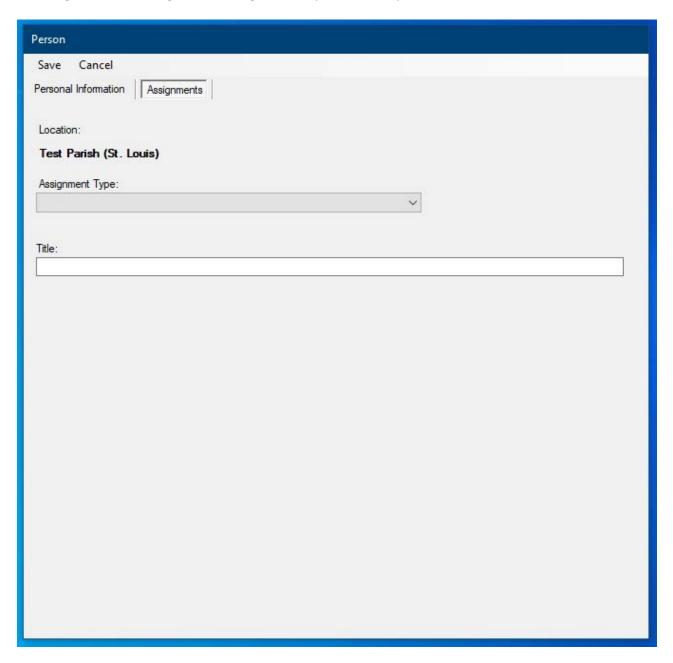
Click on the "Add Phone" or "Add Email" tab to add contact information for staff. When adding a phone number or email address use the drop down arrow to select the type of phone number or email entered. Users may add more than one phone number or email address. If more than one phone number or email is added, be sure to set one of them to primary by highlighting the number you wish to set to primary and click the **Set Primary** button.



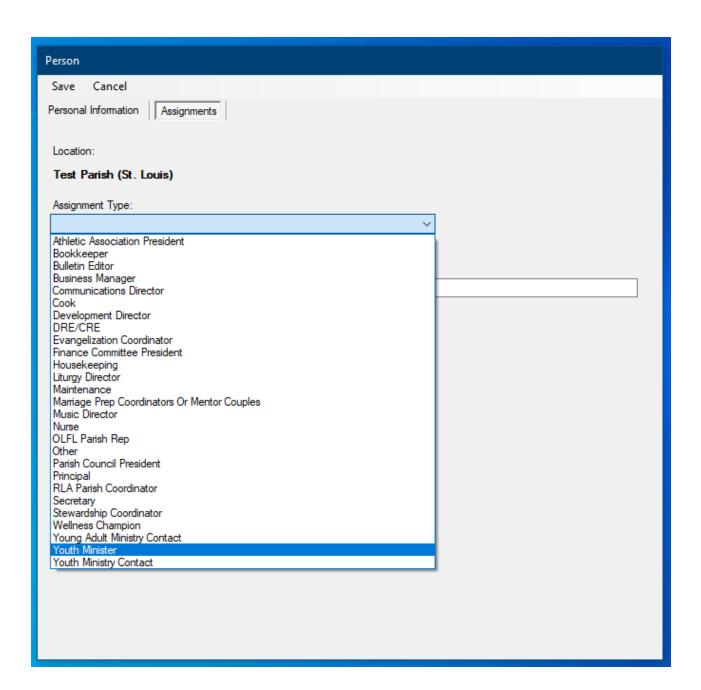
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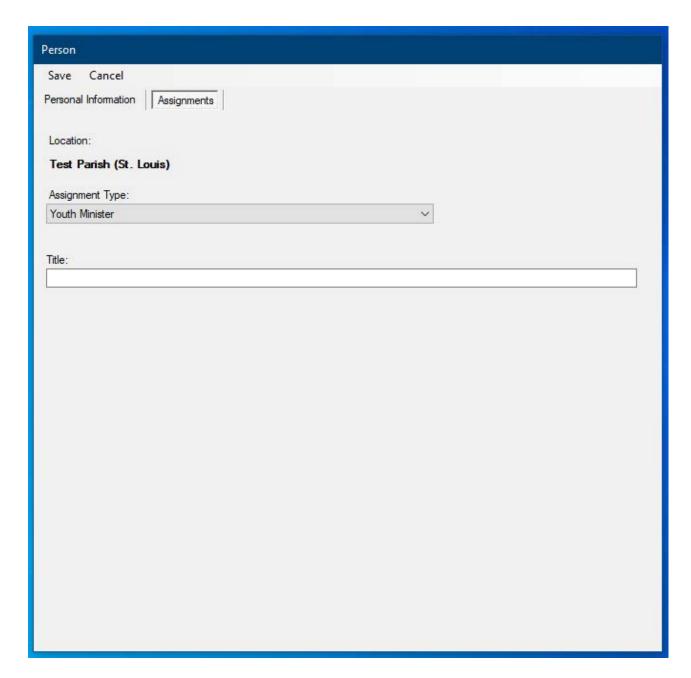
# **Assignments**

The Assignments tab designates an assignment or position, to a person.



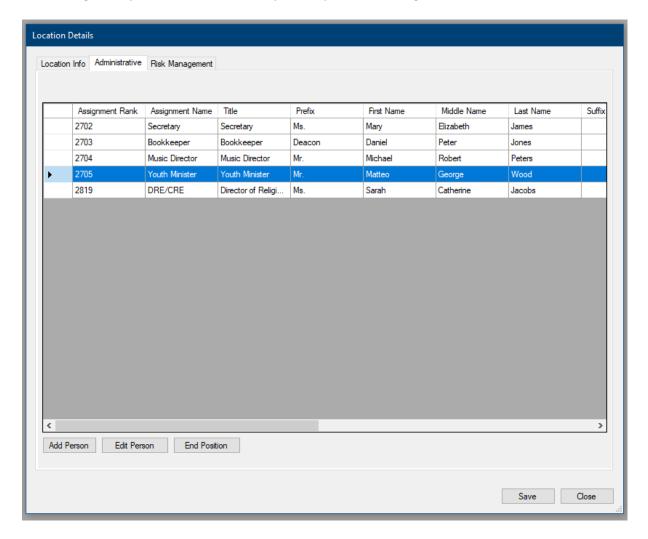
In Matteo Wood's case, you want to select **Youth Minister**. The **title** field is available for the user to be more specific, if needed. For example, if Matteo was being hired as a groundskeeper, you would notice there is no assignment selection for that. So select, **Other**, or even **Maintenance**, then in his **title** field, enter Grounds Keeper. In many cases you can leave the **title** blank since the **assignment type** is the same as the **title**.





If title is the same as assignment, it remains blank. Make sure to save your changes by clicking **Save** on the top left section of the window.

After hitting **Save**, you should see the newly added position in the grid list:



#### **Edit Person**

Select the person you want to edit and click **Edit Person**. The edit person tab allows changes to personal information or change the assignment. To add an additional assignment to a person already existing in the database select "Add Person" search for them by name, open their record and add the additional assignment (s). See **Personal Information** and **Assignments** section above for instructions.

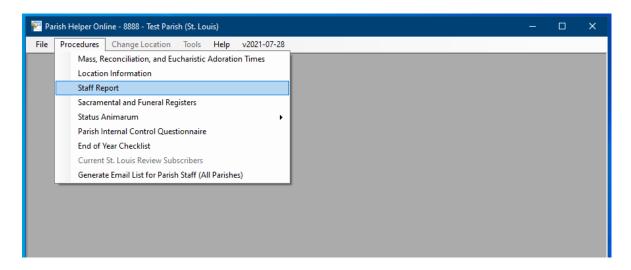
# **End Position**

To end a position, simply select the record and click **End Position**. Their assignment ends and is removed from the grid. **IF A NEW PERSON IS BEING ASSIGNED TO AN ENDING ASSIGNMENT, DO NOT OPEN THE EXISTING RECORD AND CHANGE TO A DIFFERENT PERSON. END THE POSITION, THEN ADD NEW PERSON BY CLICKING Add Person.** 

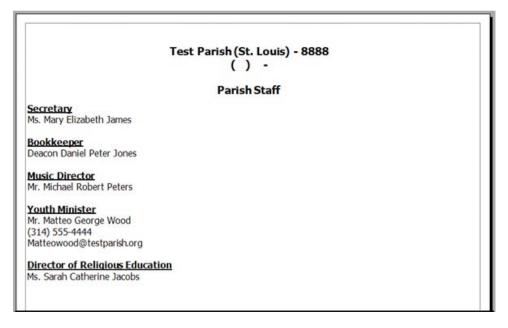
<sup>\*\*</sup>You cannot add/edit/delete Priest and Deacon assignments. These are maintained by the Archdiocese.

#### **Staff Report**

The Staff Report menu selection prints the personnel listed on the **Administrative** tab of the **Location Details** window.

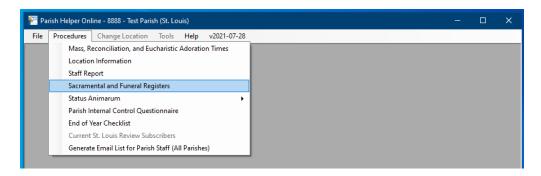


This is simply a list to verify staff assignments. The report reflects what is in the Location Information tab. Please note that the list should contain a contact for ALL available assignments.



## Sacramental Data

To enter Sacramental data, select **Sacramental and Funeral Registers** from the **Procedures** menu.



# **Guidelines for Entering Sacraments**

## If you are the Church of Baptism

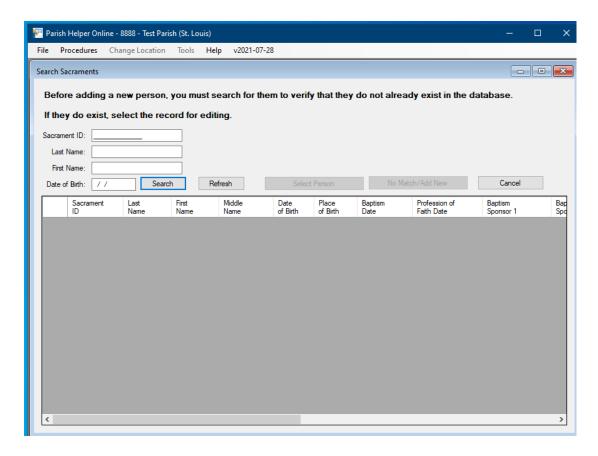
- A. Sacraments administered in the current fiscal year (July 1 June 30):
  - a. Enter all sacraments administered at your parish in the current fiscal year. This includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, ordinations, vows, and funerals. PHOL tallies these entries for the Status Animarum.
  - b. Enter all sacrament notifications received from outside the Archdiocese. Be sure to click on the "Sacrament occurred outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis" box. If this box is not checked, the sacrament is included in the Status Animarum and needs to be corrected.
  - c. Do not enter sacraments administered at another Archdiocesan parish.
- B. Sacraments administered in **prior years**:
  - a. As you receive sacramental notifications, you may enter all prior year sacraments that appear in your ledger. Be sure to enter the correct date and location of the sacrament.
  - b. If you find a duplicate record please email Sally Serbus (<a href="mailto:sallyserbus@archstl.org">sallyserbus@archstl.org</a>) and include the Sacrament ID#'s in question.

# If you are NOT the Church of Baptism

- A. Sacraments administered in the current fiscal year (July1 June 30):
  - a. Enter all sacraments administered at your parish in the current fiscal year. This includes baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, ordinations, vows and funerals. PHOL tallies these entries for the Status Animarum.
  - b. Click on the Notification button to print a notification for mailing. At this time, please continue to mail notifications printed from PHOL to ALL parishes even though an email is being sent.
  - c. Do **NOT** enter baptisms that were not administered at your parish NO EXCEPTIONS. For baptisms outside of the Archdiocese, you may enter the date and location of baptism in the comments/notes field of the sacrament administered at your parish.
- B. Sacraments administered in prior years: You may choose to enter prior year sacraments administered at your parish.

# Searching for a Person

Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database.

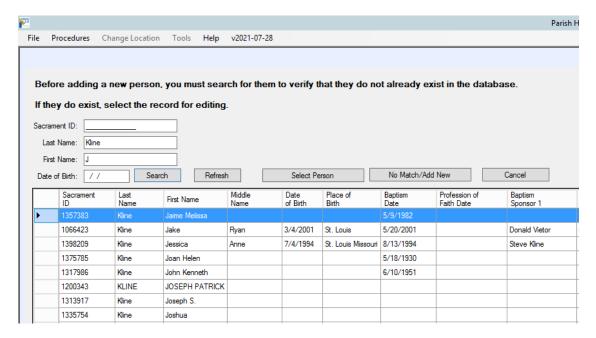


You can search by **Last Name**, **First Name**, and/or **Date of Birth** (or any combination thereof). It can be helpful to search without the first name in case of nicknames, i.e. Robert and Bob.

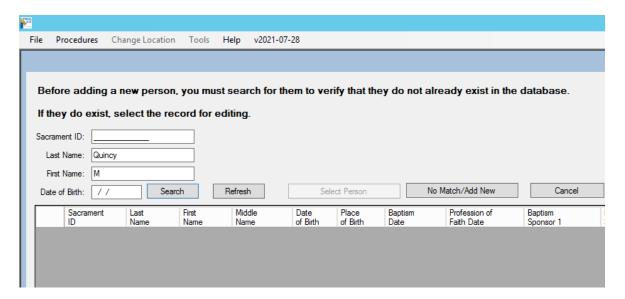
The search determines whether or not a record for the person exists in the database. If so, click the **Select Person** button. If no match is found, click **No Match/Add New** to create a new person.

**Note**: If two (or more) records exist for an individual please send an email to <a href="mailto-sallySerbus@archstl.org">SallySerbus@archstl.org</a>. Be sure to include all the Sacrament ID numbers to be merged.

# (Match found)

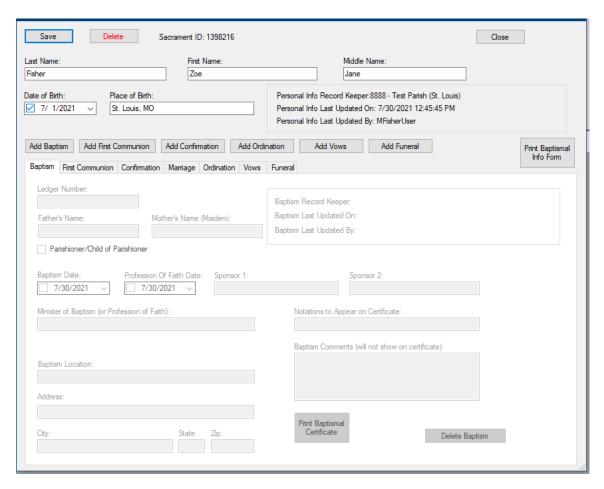


# (No match found)



#### Adding a New Person

After clicking No **Match/Add New**, a blank Sacramental Record page appears. The basic personal info is on top. **You cannot add any Sacramental data until the personal info is entered and Saved**.



After entering and saving the personal data, two things appear:

1. To the right of Place of Birth, is a box with three fields, Personal Info Record Keeper, Personal Info Last Updated On, and Personal Info Last Updated By.

**Personal Info Record Keeper**: This is the location of the user that entered the record. Users at that location are the only ones who can edit and delete this record. However, all locations can see this record.

**Personal Info Last Updated On**: The timestamp of the last save of the Personal Info. **Personal Info Last Updated By**: The User who last saved the Personal Info.

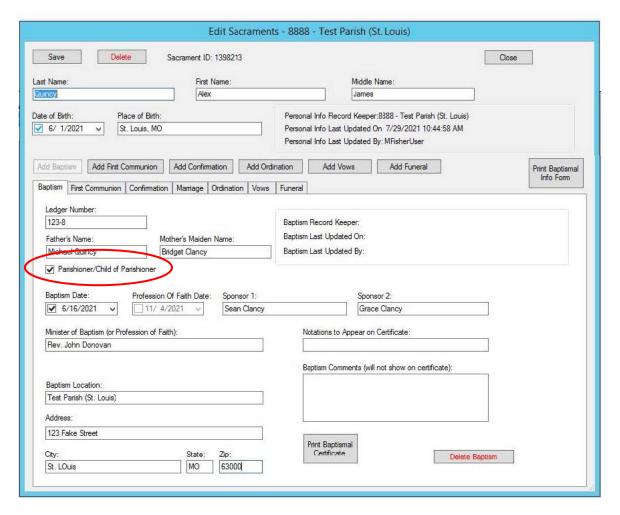
2. The Add buttons for all Sacraments are enabled.

Now that a record exists for a person, Sacraments can now be added.

# **Add Baptism**

Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23. Do not add baptism if it did not occur at your parish.

Once we have selected the correct record or have added our new person we click **Add Baptism**.



Once the **Add Baptism** button is clicked, the **Baptism Info** on the **Baptism** tab becomes available. The **Baptism Location** data fills automatically based on the Location set. This can be changed manually if it is different.

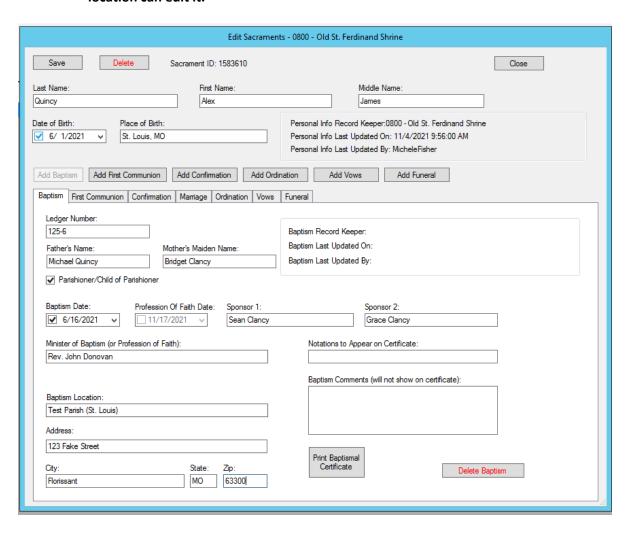
**Mother's Maiden Name** field must contain only her first and last name as shown on her birth certificate.

Check the Parishioner/Child of Parishioner box if appropriate. The parents of the child must be members of the parish to be considered a child of a parishioner.

After all data is entered, click the **Save** button.

#### After the **Save** button is clicked:

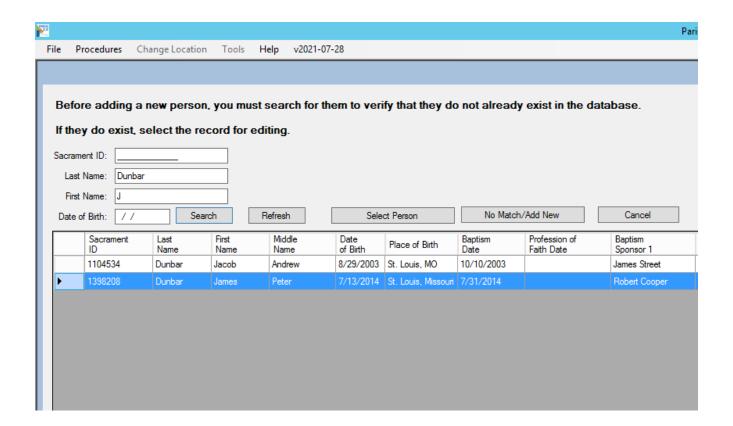
- 1. The Add Baptism button is disabled. A person can only have one Baptism record.
- 2. The Print Baptismal Certificate and Print Baptismal Info Form buttons become available.
- 3. The **Baptism Record Keeper** information is visible.
  - \*Reminder The Baptism Record Keeper is the Location that added the Baptism Sacrament. All locations can VIEW the Baptism Record, but only the Record Keeper location can edit it.



#### **Add First Communion**

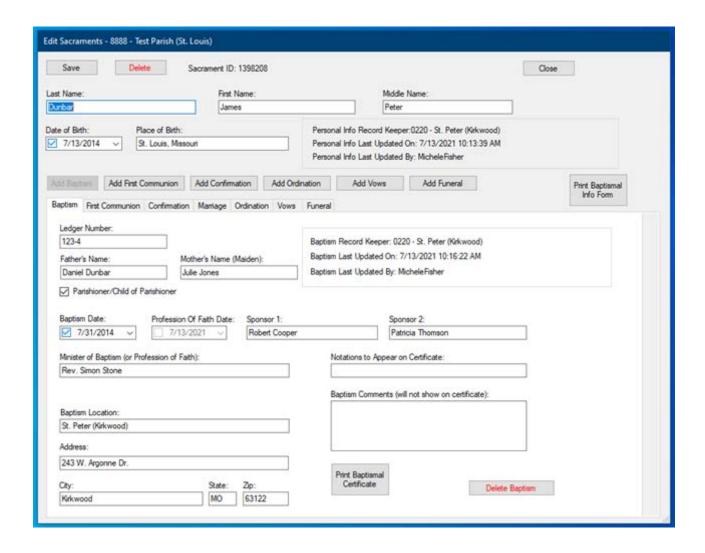
Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23. Do not add the first communion if it occurred at another parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Once you have selected the correct person or have added a new person click the **Add First Communion**. **The First Communion** tab becomes available.



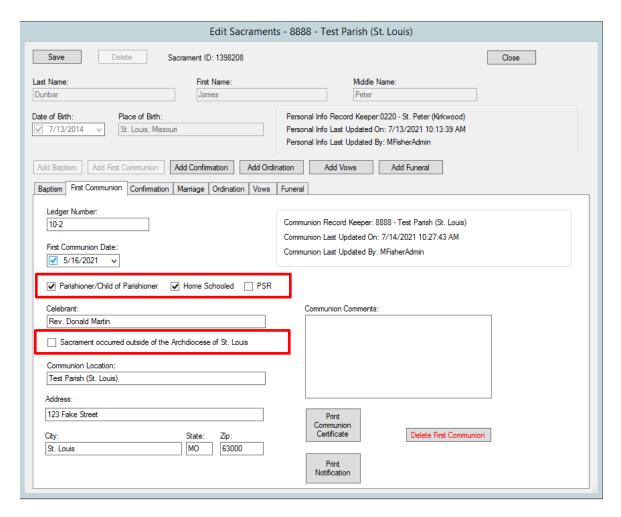
As the record comes up, notice that, in this sample, his **Personal Info** and **Baptism** data sections are visible but NOT available for edit. This is due to these records having a different **Record Keeper**. The **Personal Info** and **Baptism** data **Record Keeper** is St. Peter (Kirkwood). The current Location is Test Parish.

Since there is no First Communion record, the Add First Communion button is available.



Click the **Add First Communion** button and the **First Communion** tab becomes available. Enter the first communion data. **Be sure to check all boxes that apply**.

<sup>\*</sup>Reminder – The First Communion Record Keeper is the Location that added the First Communion Sacrament. All locations can VIEW the First Communion Record, but only the Record Keeper location can edit it.



Please check all applicable Parishioner/Child of Parishioner, Home School, and PSR boxes. A parishioner is someone that is a registered member of the parish. The parents of the child must be members of the parish to be classified a child of a parishioner.

If you received notification of a First Communion taking place outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and are entering the sacrament into Parish Helper On-line, be sure to check the "Sacrament occurred outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis" box.

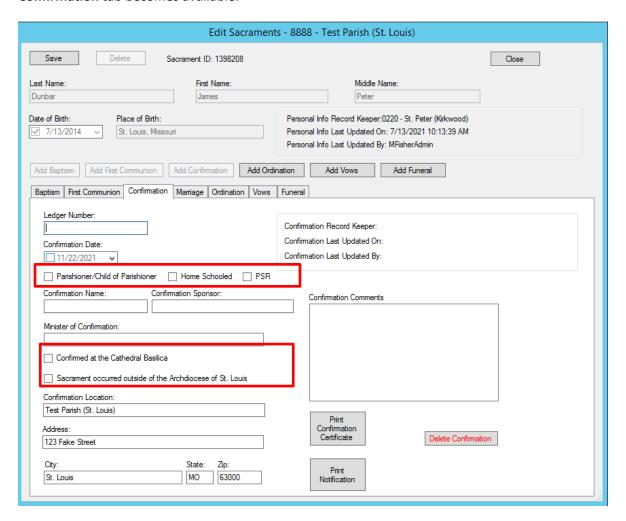
When finished entering First Communion information click **Save**. Now the **Print Certificate** button is available and **Print Notification** is available. It is not required to send a First Communion notification to the Church of Baptism. Also, the **First Communion Record Keeper** information is now set and visible.

In this example, St. Peter (Kirkwood) is the **Record Keeper** for the **Personal Info** and **Baptism** data (notice how the Personal Info is viewable but grayed-out), but Test Parish now controls the **First Communion** data (not grayed-out and is editable).

#### **Add Confirmation**

Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23.

Once you have selected the correct person or have added a new person click the **Add Confirmation**. The **Confirmation** tab becomes available.



Enter the confirmation data. **Be sure to check all boxes that apply.** If the confirmandi is a parishioner and a PSR student and confirmed at the Cathedral, be sure to check all three boxes. A parishioner is someone that is a registered member of the parish. The parents of the child must be members of the parish to be If you received notification of a Confirmation taking place outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and are entering the sacrament into Parish Helper On-line, be sure to check the "**Sacrament occurred outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis** "box.

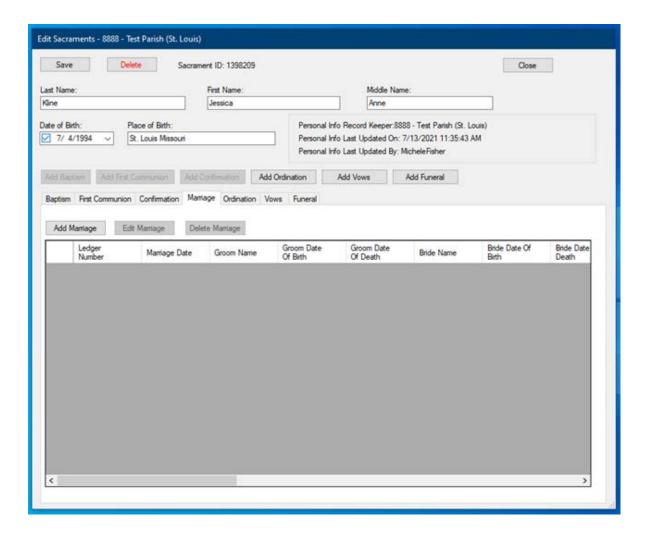
When data entry is complete, hit **Save.** Now the **Print Certificate** button is available and **Print Notification** is available. Print the notification and mail to the Church of Baptism. The parish is required to send a written Confirmation notification to the parish of baptism, even if the parish is located within the Archdiocese of St. Louis. Also the **Confirmation Record Keeper** info is now set and visible. \***Reminder** – **The Confirmation Record Keeper** is the location that added the **Confirmation.** All locations can VIEW the **Confirmation Record, but only the Record Keeper location can edit it** 

#### **Add Marriage**

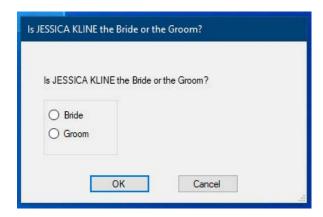
The Marriage section has a bit more to it since it involves two records. The first thing to do is search for ONE of the participants. It is best to start with the person more likely to have a record in the database.

Example: In this case, Brett Jefferson and Jessica Kline are getting married. Jessica was baptized at Test Parish, so start with her. Select Sacramental and Funeral Registers from the Procedures menu. That brings up the Search Page. Search for Jessica Kline and select her record.

On her Sacramental record, go to the **Marriage** tab. She has no Marriage data, so the only button available to click is **Add Marriage**.



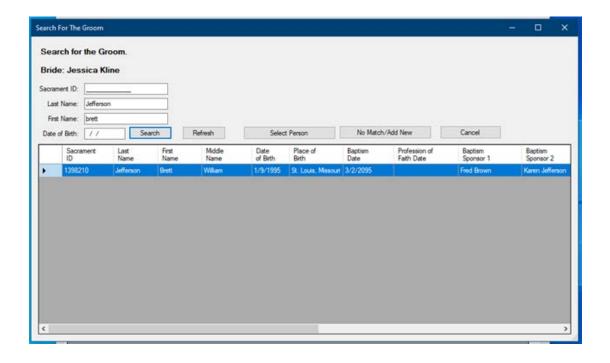
After clicking **Add Marriage**, the window pictured below appears. The program needs to determine which record is which. She is the Bride, so we select **Bride** and click **OK**.



Now you must search for the Groom (if you had selected Groom on the previous page you would now be searching for the Bride).

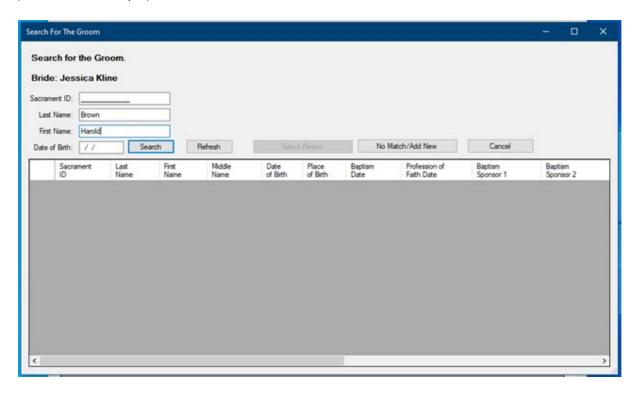
Enter the search data and click **Search**. Since the result shows the record you are looking for, click **Select Person**.

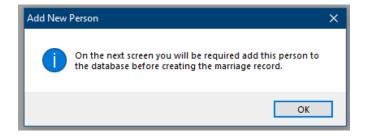
**Existing Person Example** 



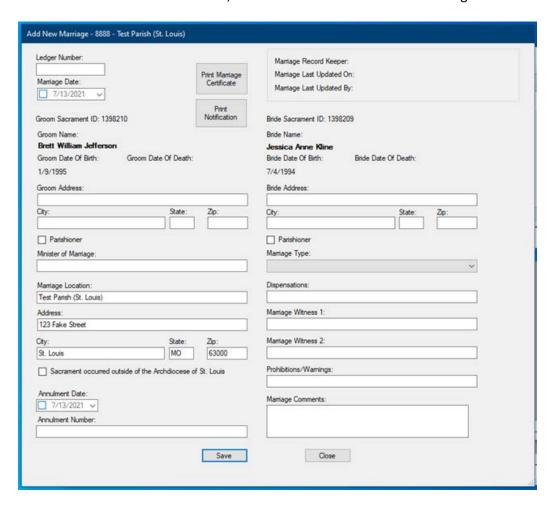
If the Groom (or Bride) doesn't show up in the search results, click **No Match/Add New**. This brings up a new person form and the user would have to add and save the **Personal Info** for the Groom (or bride). **Both records must exist to enter the marriage (even if one of the records has no Sacraments)**.

(New Person Example)



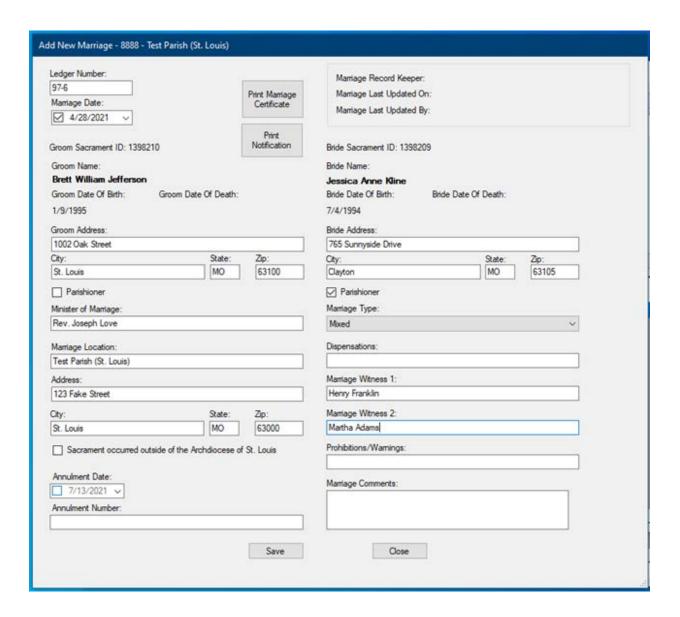


Now that both records are selected, a form is available to enter the Marriage data.

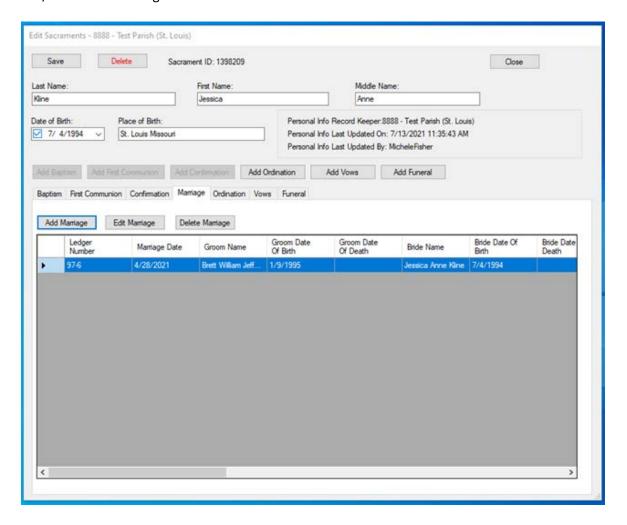


Note: **The Annulment date** and **Annulment number** fields should remain blank when entering a new marriage. These fields are only completed when or if **this** marriage is annulled in the future. These fields are not intended to show an annulment date or annulment number of previous marriage of the bride or groom.

After entering all the necessary data, click **Save**. The **Marriage Record Keeper** data is now set. Now the **Print Certificate** button is available and **Print Notification** is available. Print the notification and mail to the Church of Baptism for both the bride and groom. (Assuming they are Catholic) The parish is required to send a written Marriage notification to the parish of baptism, even if the parish is located within the Archdiocese of St. Louis.



Now the Marriage appears on Jessica Kline's main Sacramental Record. The Groom has the same marriage record on his main Sacramental record. Again, only the **Marriage Record Keeper** can edit/delete the Marriage.



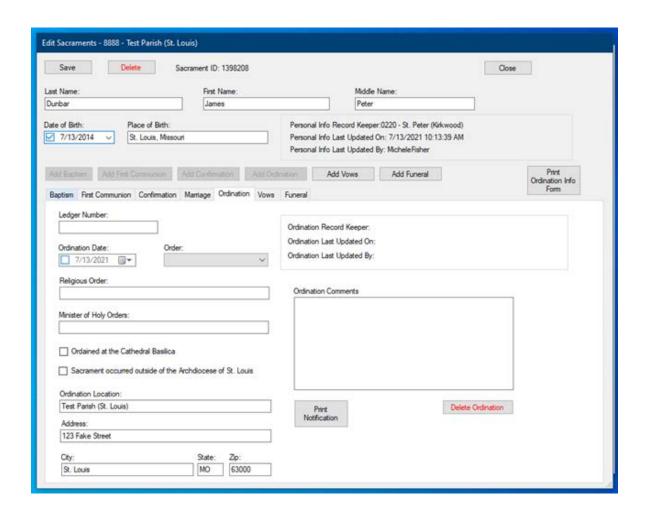
#### **Add Ordination**

Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23. Do not add the Ordination if it occurred at another parish in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

Once you have selected the correct person or have added a new person click the **Add Ordination** button. The **Ordination** tab becomes available. Enter the information and Click **Save**.

Now the **Print Notification** is available. Print the notification and mail to the Church of Baptism. Also, the **Ordination Record Keeper** info is now set and visible. If you received notification of a Ordination taking place outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and are entering the sacrament into Parish Helper On-line be sure to check the "**Sacrament occurred outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis**" box . The parish is required to send a written Confirmation notification to the parish of baptism, even if the parish is located within the Archdiocese of St. Louis

\*Reminder – The Ordination Record Keeper is the Location that added the Ordination. All locations can VIEW the Ordination Record, but only the Record Keeper location can edit it.



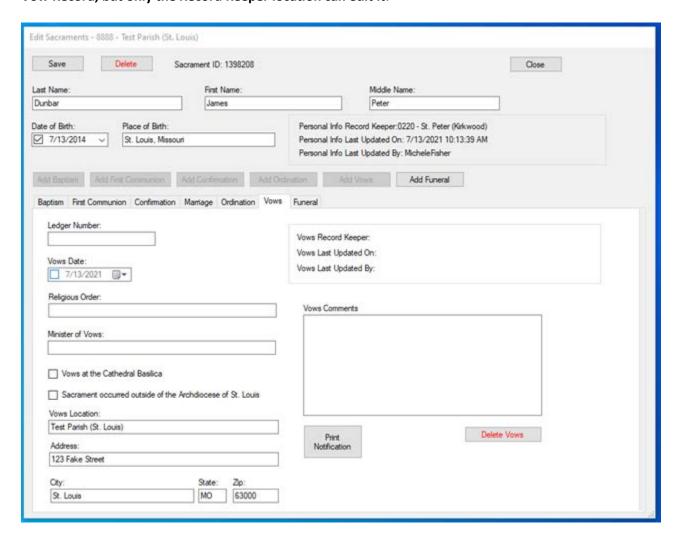
#### **Add Vows**

Before adding a new sacrament you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23.

Once you have selected the correct person or have added a new person click the **Add Vow** button. The **Vow** tab becomes available. Enter the information and Click **Save**.

Now the **Print Notification** is available. Print the notification and mail to the parish of baptism. Also the **Vow Record Keeper** info is now set and visible. If you received notification of a Vow taking place outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis and are entering the sacrament into Parish Helper On-line be sure to check the "**Sacrament occurred outside of the Archdiocese of St. Louis**" box . The parish is required to send a written Confirmation notification to the parish of baptism, even if the parish is located within the Archdiocese of St. Louis

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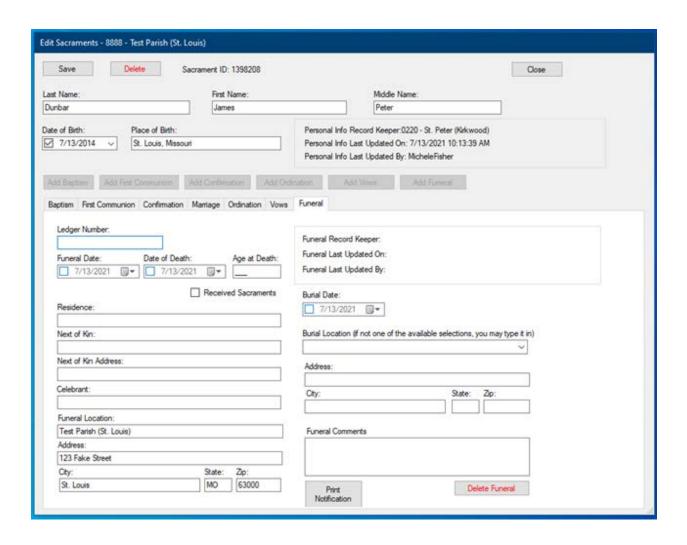
#### **Add Funeral**

Before adding a Funeral you must first search for the person to verify whether or not their record exists in the database. See instructions on page 20-23. When entering a funeral for a female search for her record by using her maiden name (first and last name as shown on her birth certificate)

Once you have selected the correct person or have added a new person click the **Add Funeral** button. The **Funeral** tab becomes available. Enter the information and Click **Save**.

After you click the **Add Funeral** button, the **Funeral** tab becomes available. Enter the Funeral information and click **Save**. The **Burial Location** tab features a list of local cemeteries or you may add one that does not appear on the list.

\*Reminder – The Funeral Record Keeper is the Location that added the Funeral. All locations can VIEW the Funeral Record, but only the Record Keeper location can edit it.



# **Parish Helper On-Line Email Notification**

After entering First Communions, Confirmations, Vows, and Ordinations into PHOL for individuals baptized at a parish within the Archdiocese of St. Louis, the PHOL system automatically generates an email to the parish of baptism notifying them that a sacrament has taken place and entered into PHOL. The email is sent to the <a href="mailto:parish###@archstl.org">parish###@archstl.org</a> email address. Parishes should regularly check this email for notifications and record them in their corresponding register in a timely manner. An example of an automated email is below.

On Wed, Dec 30, 2020 at 3:04 PM Parish\_Support < Parish\_Support@archstl.org > wrote: Parish Administrator,

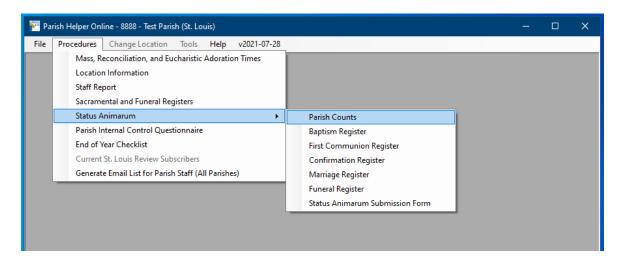
0289 - St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (Mehlville) has entered or updated a Confirmation for Sacrament ID: 157826

Sincerely, Parish Support

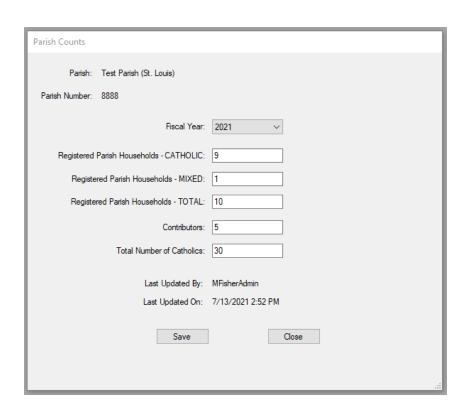
# **Status Animarum**

#### **Parish Counts**

Parish Counts are one of the items submitted every year. To enter your numbers, go to the **Status Animarum** menu item under the **Procedures** Menu. There is a sub menu under that. It is the first item, labeled **Parishioner Counts**.

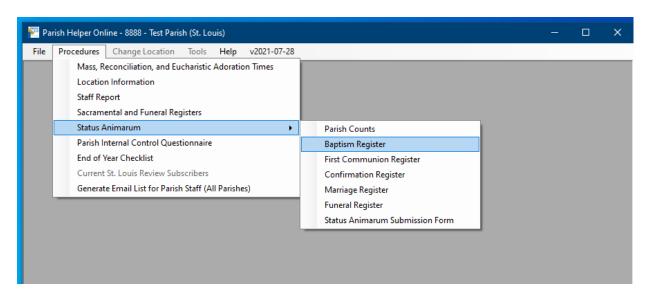


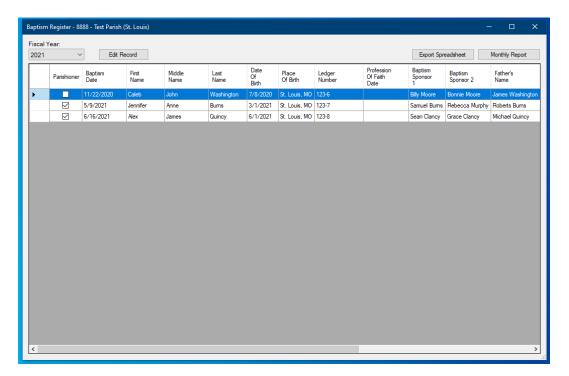
The fiscal year for the Archdiocese runs from July 1 to June 30 and **Fiscal Year** you are submitting is based on the June 30 date. For example, if the year ended June 30, 2021 you would select 2021. Using the data pulled from parish Servant Keeper database (See Parish Support webpage for Statistical Report Instructions), enter the counts in the five fields. Once the fields are filled, click **Save**. A user and timestamp should appear to verify your save.



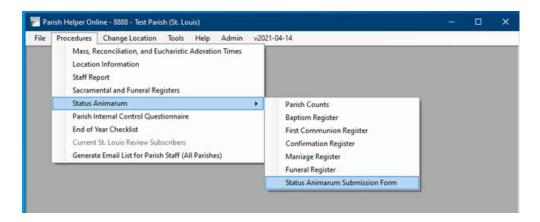
#### **Registers**

These items are a list of the selected Sacraments for the specified year. Keep in mind that the year is the **Fiscal Year**, running from 07/01-06/30. So if a child is baptized on 9/21/20, their record would show under **Fiscal Year** 2021. These lists are for your reference. You should compare these PHOL registers to your official written parish registers. You can edit a record with the **Edit Record** button, as well as export the list to Excel with the **Export Spreadsheet** button. These lists are automatically generated for physical submission through the **Status Animarum Submission Form** (covered in next section).

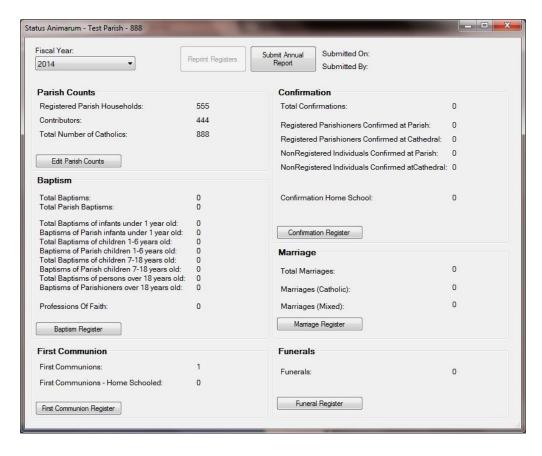




#### **Status Animarum Submission Form**

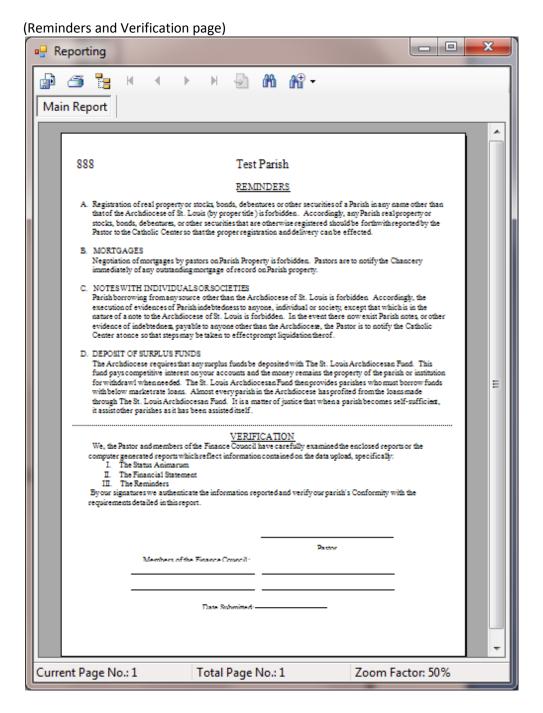


This form is used to submit your counts and Sacramental data. All of the sacrament numbers are automatically generated based on your entries. Be sure to check your numbers before you submit. If anything is/seems incorrect, there are shortcut buttons available to get you where you need to be to make your changes. Once everything looks good, click the **Submit Annual Report** button.

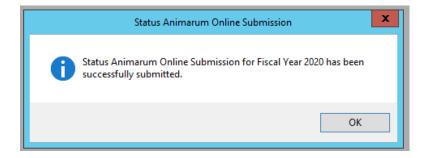


Once submitted, the program automatically generates the Baptismal, Confirmation, and Marriage Registers.

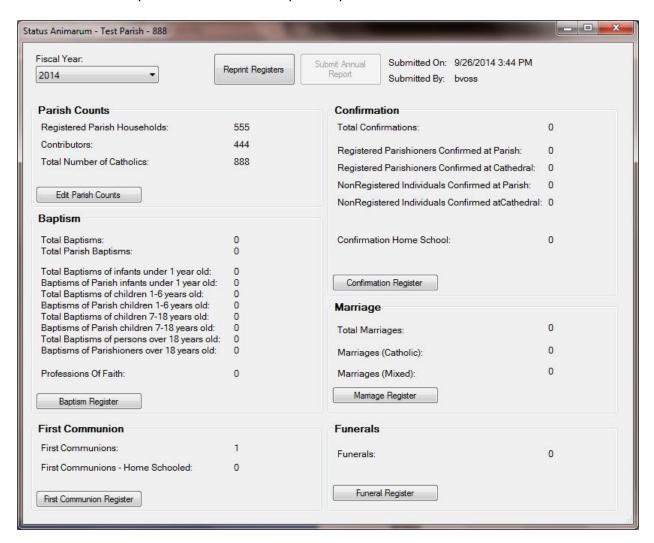
Print each one off before closing the form! The fourth form to open is the Reminders and Verification page. All pages of the Registers and the Reminders and Verification page MUST be <a href="mailto:printed, signed">printed, signed</a><a href="mailto:by the Pastor, and mailed">by the Pastor, and mailed</a> to Parish Support, 20 Archbishop May Dr., St. Louis, MO 63119. First Communion and Funeral registers are not generated.



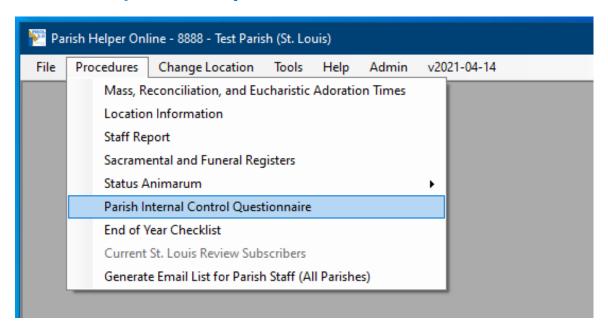
Once all pages are printed, the following message appears, informing you that the submission process is complete.



You can verify your submission by the user and timestamp of submission. The **Submit Annual Report** button becomes unavailable. If you need to reprint the Registers and Reminders and Verification Form, a **Reprint Registers** button is now available. However, any changes you make after submission are not reflected in the reprints. If you make any changes and need to re-submit, contact Parish Support at 314.792.7716 so they can reset the Annual Report for you to re-submit.



# **Parish Internal Questionnaire-Optional**



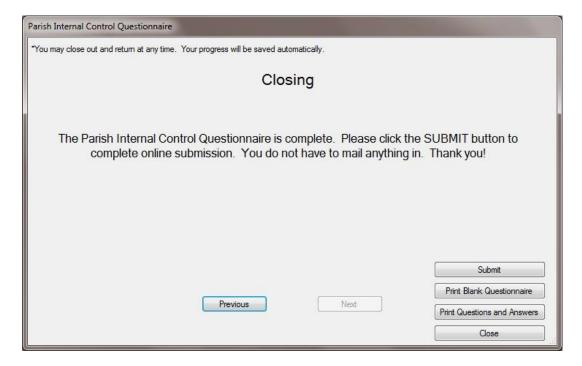
You only see one question at a time. Most questions require a Yes (Y) or No (N) answer. Some require an open-ended text answer. Click the **Next** button to move on to the next question. You can also use the **Previous** button to return to the previous question. You can **Print** the blank or the answered questionnaire out at any time. The Submit button is not available until you reach the end of the questionnaire. You can close out the window and return at any time. Your progress is saved automatically.



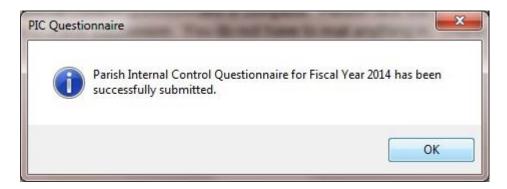
Some questions contain skip conditions. If, for example, there is a series of questions regarding your school, the first question would be, "Do you have a school?" If you answer No, the questions regarding the school are automatically skipped. There are also some questions that may require an explanation based on your Yes or No answer.



Once you reach the final page of the questionnaire, the **Submit** button becomes available. Click to complete the submission.



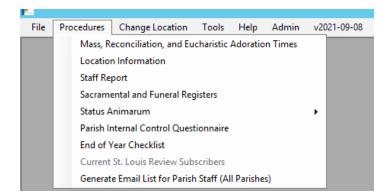
If the submission is successful, you receive the following message:



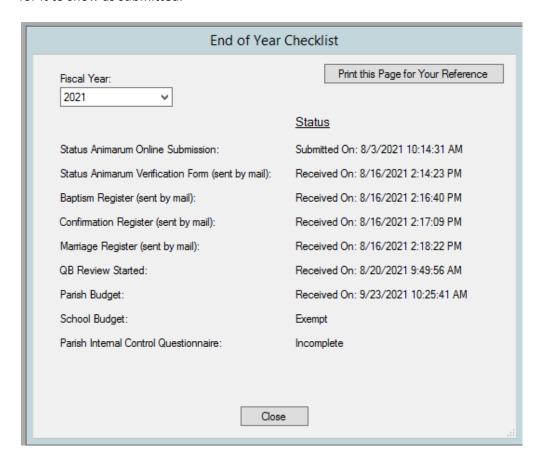
The submission timestamp appears on the top right corner of the window, as well as the **Submit** button being disabled again. Also, you can navigate back through the questionnaire with the Previous and Back buttons, but all answers are disabled and not editable.



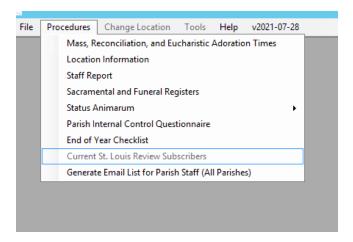
#### **End of Year Checklist**



The End of Year Checklist is a tool that allows you to keep track of your required submissions. If a task is completed the status is **Submitted On** (or "Received On"): **date and time**. If you are exempt from completing a task (i.e. only Parishes have to complete the PIC Questionnaire) the status is **Exempt**. Take note of the image below on the **School Budget** item. This is exempt because this location does not have a school. The status for items that still need to be completed (or have not yet been received or filed) is labeled **Incomplete**. Keep in mind some things have to be mailed in and filed, so it may take some time for it to show as submitted.

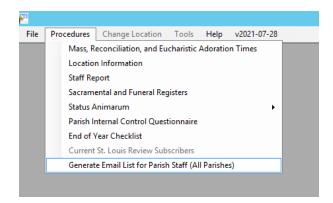


#### **Current St. Louis Review Subscribers**

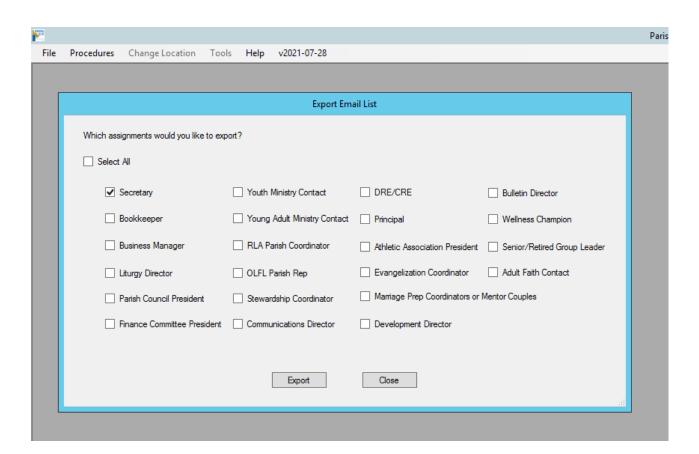


This option is no longer available in PHOL therefore is grayed out. If you need to add/remove people from this list, please see the Parish Support webpage for St. Louis Review Monthly Update Report instructions.

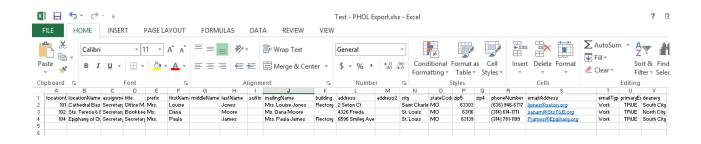
#### **Generate Email List for Parish Staff**



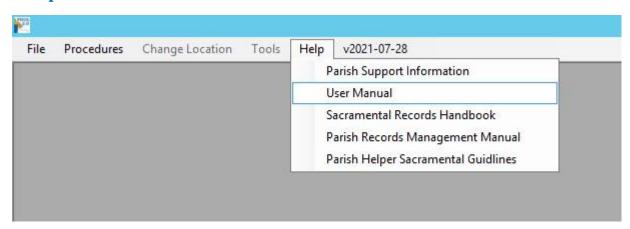
The Generate Email List option allows the user to generate and export contact information for individuals assigned to a specific position at parishes in the Archdiocese. You may select specific assignments you wish to export or you may choose to select all assignments. In the sample below we have selected secretary as the assignment.



Once you have selected your assignment(s), click the export button and PHOL generates a Save As window asking you to name you file. Select a file type and a location to save the file. PHOL exports your file as directed and asks if you want to view the file. Click yes to view your file. Below is an example of the exported file with the emails and contact information for secretaries.



# **Help Tab**



# **Parish Support Information**

This is simply an easy way to obtain contact information for Parish Support. Parish Support is a valuable resource dedicated to serving parishes and to support pastors and all parish staff including Parish Employee Training (QuickBooks, Servant Keeper, Parish Helper OnLine-PHOL, budgeting, etc.).

#### **User Manual**

This is where PHOL users may access the PHOL user manual. This manual is hosted here for your reference.

#### Sacramental Records Handbook

This Sacramental Records Handbook a guide and reference tool for our parish clergy and personnel to assist them in correctly and accurately keeping these records. Grounded in the Code of Canon Law and the particular laws of the Archdiocese of St. Louis, it is meant to facilitate consistent recordkeeping across the Archdiocese and to answer questions which may arise in unusual circumstances.

The handbook is not meant to be an exhaustive reference. If uncertainty remains in a particular case, parishes should contact the Office of Archives and Records for clarification.

#### **Parish Records Management Manual**

This Parish Records Management Manual a guide and reference tool for our parish clergy and personnel to assist them in managing their records from the moment of their creation to final disposition. It provides a greater understanding of records management principles and facilitates consistent recordkeeping across the Archdiocese.

The manual is not an exhaustive reference. If uncertainty remains in a particular case, parishes should contact the Office of Archives and Records for clarification.

#### Parish Helper Sacramental Guideline

This is a quick reference on when to enter sacraments in Parish Helper Online.

# **Statistical Report Instructions**

(Instructions are based on Servant Keeper 8)

After completing the following directions please COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7716 or 314-792-7072.

# **In Servant Keeper**

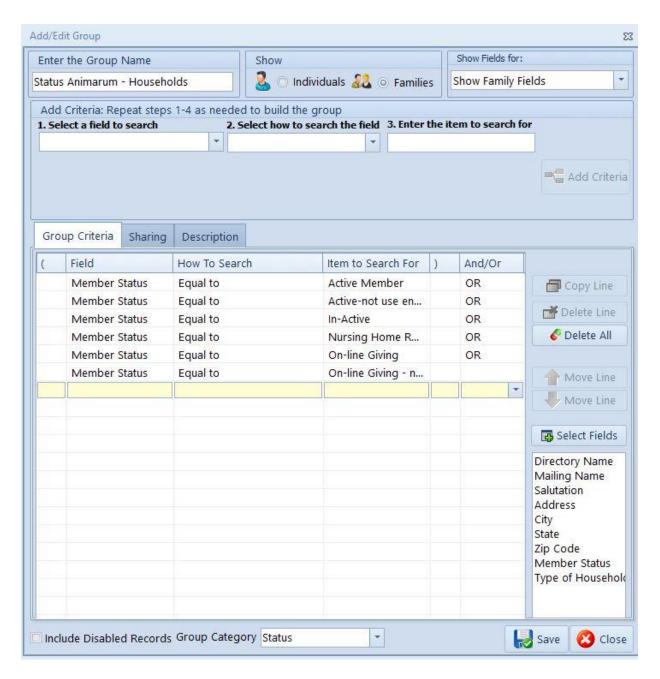
- Review Servant Keeper data to be sure the Religion field on the Individual profile contains either Catholic or non-Catholic.
- Review Servant Keeper data to be sure the Type of Household field on the family profile contains either Catholic or Mixed.

# Continue ONLY IF the 5 groups are not in SK — All groups should be in SK from last year and should be used to retrieve the count.

- Create the following five Groups in Servant Keeper
- ❖ 1 Status Animarum Households: This group is used to determine the number of households in the parish and is easily created by making a copy of an existing group used for your parish household and/or mailing group. If this group already exists please verify that the criteria are correct. There is no need to recreate the entire group again.
  - Click on the "Groups Keeper" button this will display your list of available groups
  - Click on the existing group you want to copy
  - Click on "Copy Group"
    - You will see the following message "You are about to copy the selected group. Are you sure you want to do this?" Click on "Copy"
  - > A new group opens
    - In the "Enter a name for the group" field enter "Status Animarum Households"
    - In the "List Search results using" field click on Family
    - In the "Choose Search Field from;" field select "Show Family Fields"
    - Verify that the search criteria is correct based on the group that was copied.
    - Click on "Save and Search"
  - ➤ The group will open and be displayed. In the heading at the top of the group list is a Total Records: followed by the number of records in the group. This number is the Household number needed in the Status Animarum report. Please make a note of it.

COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7072 or 314-792-7716.

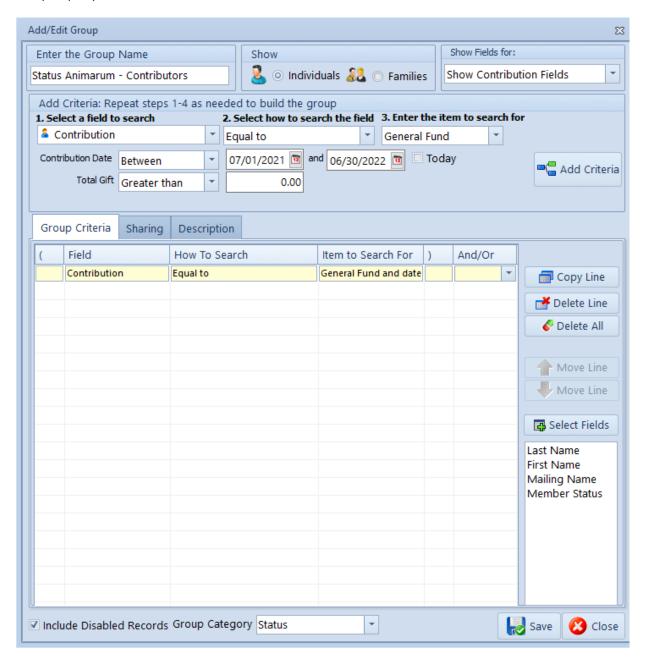
# Sample query for Households



- ❖ 2. Status Animarum Contributors: This group is used to determine how many contributors gave any amount to support the parish during the last fiscal year. If this group already exists please verify that the criteria are correct. Be sure to change the dates to 7/1/2021 6/30/22. There is no need to recreate the entire group again.
  - Click on the "Groups Keeper" button
  - Click on "Add Group" a new group window will open
    - In the "Enter a name for the group" field enter "Status Animarum –
       Contributors"
    - In the "List Search results using" field click on Individual
    - In the "Choose Search Field from;" field select "Show Contribution Fields"
    - Enter the following criteria:
    - Select a field to search select "Contributions"
    - Select how to search the field select "Equal to"
    - Enter the item to search for select "General Fund ", "Offertory Gift" or the equivalent fund used to record regular offertory gifts
    - Contribution Date select "Between" and enter 07/01/2021 and 06/30/2022 for the date range
    - Total Gift select "Greater than"
  - Click on "Add Criteria"
  - ➤ Repeat the above 6 steps if more than one general/offertory fund was used during the search period. Be sure to select OR in the AND/OR column for additional criteria.
  - Click on "Save and Search"
  - ➤ The group will open and be displayed. In the heading at the top of the group list is a Total Records: followed by the number of records in the group. This number is the Contributor number needed in the Status Animarum report. Please make a note of it.

COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7072 or 341-792-7716.

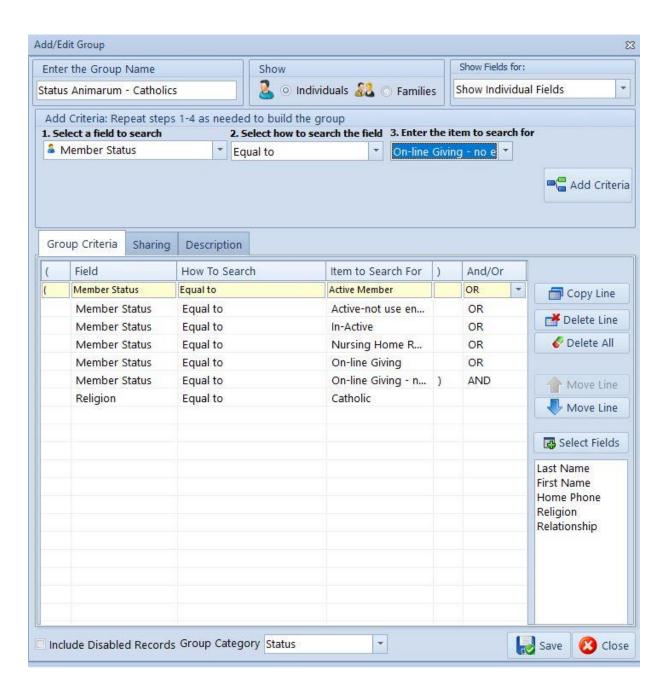
# Sample query for Contributors



- ❖ 3. Status Animarum Catholics: This group is used to determine the total number of Catholics in the parish and is easily created by making a copy of the Status Animarum Households group. If this group already exists please verify that the criteria are correct. There is no need to recreate the entire group again.
  - Click on the "Groups Keeper" button
  - Click on the Status Animarum Households group
  - Click on "Copy Group"
    - You will see the following message "You are about to copy the selected group. Are you sure you want to do this?" Click on "Copy"
  - A new group opens
    - In the "Enter a name for the group" field enter "Status Animarum –
       Catholics"
    - In the "List Search results using" field click on "Individual"
    - In the "Choose Search Field from;" field select "Show Individual Fields"
    - Verify that the search criteria is correct based on the group copied.
    - Add the following criteria
      - Select a field to search select "Religion"
      - Select how to search the field "Equal to"
      - Enter the item to search for select "Catholic"
      - Click on "Add Criteria"
    - Click on "Save and Search"
  - ➤ The group will open and be displayed. In the heading at the top of the group list is a Total Records: followed by the number of records in the group. This number is the Total Number of Catholics needed in the Status Animarum report. Please make a note of it.

COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7072 or 314-792-7716.

#### Sample query for Catholics

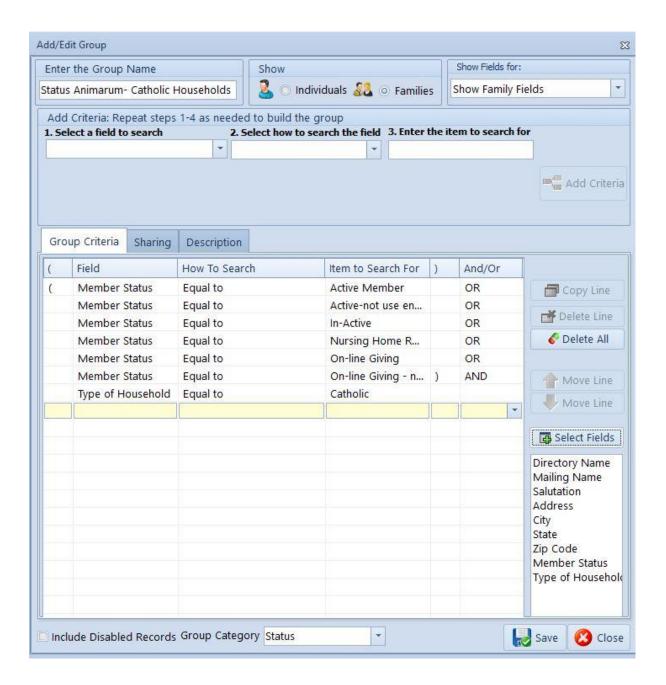


- **4 Status Animarum Catholic Households:** This group is used to determine the number of Catholic households in the parish and is easily created by making a copy the Status Animarum Households group.
  - Click on the "Groups Keeper" button this will display your list of available groups
  - Click on the Status Animarum Households
  - Click on "Copy Group"
    - You will see the following message "You are about to copy the selected group. Are you sure you want to do this?" Click on "Copy"
  - > A new group opens
    - In the "Enter a name for the group" field enter "Status Animarum Type of Households Catholics"
    - In the "List Search results using" field click on "Family"
    - In the "Choose Search Field from;" field select "Show Family Fields"
    - Add the following criteria
      - Select a field to search select "Type of Household"
      - Select how to search the field "Equal to"
      - Enter the item to search for select "Catholic"
      - Click on "Add Criteria"
    - Click on "Save and Search"
  - ➤ The group will open and be displayed. In the heading at the top of the group list is a Total Records: followed by the number of records in the group. This number is the Catholic Household number needed in the Status Animarum report.

    Please make a note of it.

COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7072 or 314-792-7716.

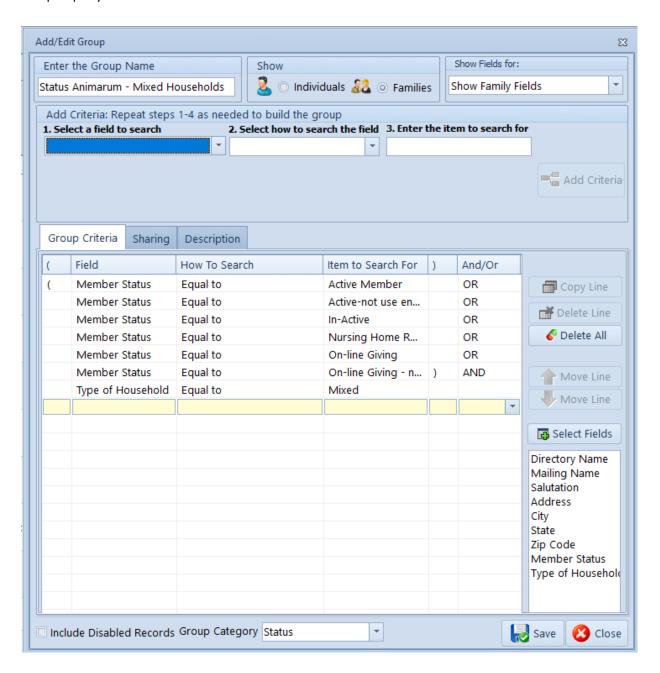
# Sample query for Catholic Households



- ❖ 5 Status Animarum Mixed Households: This group is used to determine the number of Mixed Households in the parish and is easily created by making a copy the Status Animarum Households group.
  - Click on the "Groups Keeper" button this will display your list of available groups
  - Click on the Status Animarum Households
  - Click on "Copy Group"
    - You will see the following message "You are about to copy the selected group. Are you sure you want to do this?" Click on "Copy"
  - > A new group opens
    - In the "Enter a name for the group" field enter "Status Animarum Type of Households Mixed"
    - In the "List Search results using" field click on "Family"
    - In the "Choose Search Field from;" field select "Show Family Fields"
    - Verify that the search criteria is correct based on the group that was copied.
    - Add the following criteria
      - Select a field to search select "Type of Household"
      - Select how to search the field "Equal to"
      - Enter the item to search for select "Mixed"
      - Click on "Add Criteria"
    - Click on "Save and Search"
  - The group will open and be displayed. In the heading at the top of the group list is a Total Records: followed by the number of records in the group. This number is the Mixed Household number needed in the Status Animarum report. Please make a note of it.

COMPARE THE RESULTS TO LAST YEAR'S FIGURES. If there is any question that the figures are not accurate contact Parish Support at 314-792-7072 or 314-792-7716.

#### Sample query for Mixed Households



#### PREPARING THE STATUS ANIMARUM

#### **In Servant Keeper:**

- 1. Review Servant Keeper data to be sure the Religion field contains either Catholic or Non-Catholic.
- 2. Review Servant Keeper data to be sure the Type of Household field contains either Catholic or Mixed.
- 3. Edit all profiles to moved or deceased appropriately. Run the following five Status Animarum groups in SK and write down the counts. The groups were created in a prior year and need not be recreated each year. If the groups do not exist in SK, use the Statistical Report Instructions (available on website) to create them.
  - i. Status Animarum Households
  - ii. Status Animarum Contributors (remember to change the date range to 7/1/2021 6/30/2022)
  - iii. Status Animarum Catholics
  - iv. Status Animarum Catholic Households
  - v. Status Animarum Mixed Households

**In Parish Helper Online:** The following is a list of items to report/verify. For detailed entry instructions please refer to Parish Helper Online User Manual, pages 40-45.

Log in to the Archdiocesan Data Center and select Parish Helper Online. Under Procedures review/update the following:

- 1. Review the Mass times, Reconciliations and Eucharistic Adoration times for accuracy. Make any necessary changes or corrections.
- 2. Review Location Information verify/complete the following:
  - a. Location Info tab: Review to be sure that everything is correct, i.e. no new buildings have been added, parking lots, buildings sold, etc.
  - b. Administrative tab: Review/complete the Parish Staff as follows:
    - i. Verify that clergy listings are correct. If incorrect contact Parish Support
    - ii. Enter the following required staff and their contact information: (all 3 positions MUST be entered even if it is the same person <u>be sure</u> to enter email addresses)
      - a. Secretary
      - b. Bookkeeper Shared Accounting parishes please enter the Parish contact NOT the Shared Accountant
      - c. Business Manager
    - iii. Enter additional staff. This contact information is used by all offices and agencies of the Archdiocese. Please keep all contact information current throughout the year.
- 3. Review the following Status Animarum details:
  - a. Parish Counts: Enter numbers from the Servant Keeper Statistical Report.
  - b. Baptism Register: select Fiscal Year **2022**. Review Baptisms to be sure all baptisms for Fiscal Year **2022** have been entered. Be sure to check the box for "Parishioner Child", if appropriate. Make any corrections or changes.
  - c. First Communion Register: select Fiscal Year **2022**. Review First Communions to be sure all First Communions for Fiscal Year **2022** have

- been entered. Be sure to check the box for "Parishioner Child", "Home Schooled" or "PSR", as appropriate. Make any corrections or changes.
- d. Confirmation Register: select Fiscal Year **2022**. Review Confirmations to be sure all Confirmations for Fiscal Year **2022** have been entered. Be sure to check the box for "Parishioner Child", "Home Schooled" or "PSR", as appropriate. Make any corrections or changes.
- e. Marriage Register: select Fiscal Year **2022**. Review Marriages to be sure all Marriages for Fiscal Year **2022** have been entered. Be sure to check the box for "Parishioner", if appropriate. Under "Type" of Marriage, the entry should be "Catholic" or "Mixed". No other notation is acceptable in this field. If the type is unknown, select "Catholic" and enter the following in the Marriage comments: "Marriage type is unknown. The approved default of "Catholic" was selected. Make any corrections or changes.
- f. Funeral Register: select Fiscal Year **2022**. Review Funerals to be sure all Funerals for Fiscal Year **2022** have been entered. Be sure to check the box for "Received Sacraments", if appropriate. Make any corrections or changes.
- 4. After all of this information has been completed and you determine that no additional information is necessary, you can submit the Animarum to the Archdiocese by clicking the "Submit Annual Report" button on the Status Animarum. During the submission process, the Sacramental Registers for Baptism, Marriage, Confirmation, and Verification pages will be printed. These registers will have a signature line for the Pastor's signature. The Reminders page should be signed by the Pastor and the Finance Committee. The Status Animarum is due by July 30, 2022.
- 5. When all pages of the Baptism, Confirmation and Marriage registers; and the Reminders page have been signed, please mail these forms to:

Archdiocese of St. Louis Parish Support 20 Archbishop May Drive St. Louis, MO 63119

If you discover any errors after you have submitted your report, please contact Parish Support at 314-792-7716 or 314-792-7072 to be reset.