

Modernizing Faith-Based Financial Management with SylogistMission ERP

How the Diocese of Fargo Improved Efficiencies and Exercised Good Stewardship Using SylogistMission

The Challenge:

The diocese relied on aging, fragmented financial systems that created significant inefficiencies:

- Manual data entry
- Limited cross-team visibility
- Slow reconciliations
- Disconnected systems
- Complex multi-entity reporting

“Trying to keep track of everything manually would be a nightmare.”
Scott A. Hoselton, CPA, CDFM,
Finance Officer, Diocese of Fargo

The Solution:

To modernize financial operations, Fargo selected SylogistMission ERP, a cloud-based system built on Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central and purpose-built for diocesan financial management.

- Purpose-built for diocesan financial workflows
- Built on Microsoft Cloud
- Real-time visibility across parishes and funds
- Automation that reduces manual work
- Secure, scalable, and audit-ready

The Diocese of Fargo: A Modern ERP for Complex Diocesan Operations

The Diocese of Fargo supports parishes, schools, and ministries across Eastern North Dakota. Finance Officer Scott A. Hoselton, CPA, CDFM, and his team manage complex financial responsibilities while ensuring every dollar serves the Church’s mission.

“We’re the administrative arm for the Catholic Church in Eastern North Dakota — helping parishes, schools, and ministries carry out their mission while ensuring everything is funded and managed responsibly.” — Scott Hoselton

What the Transition Delivered

With support from Sylogist’s implementation team, Fargo transitioned from on-premise software to a fully cloud-based solution. Staff quickly adapted to the modern interface, automated workflows, and centralized data.

40%

reduction in manual reconciliation and data entry

100%

real-time visibility across all ministries and entities

Key Outcomes

- Faster month-end close
- Accurate, consolidated reporting
- Cloud-based access and secure hosting
- Improved multi-entity fund management
- Real-time financial visibility across ministries and parishes

“The efficiencies we’ve gained mean more time and resources going directly to ministry.”

A Network of Collaboration

The Diocese of Fargo is a member of the Diocesan Fiscal Management Conference (DFMC) — a national network where financial leaders across the Church share insights, best practices, and technology strategies.

Through its use of SylogistMission ERP, Fargo has become a model for modernization within this network, demonstrating how technology can empower diocesan offices to manage finances with integrity and agility.

Powered by Microsoft Cloud

This Microsoft-native foundation improved visibility, strengthened governance, reduced operational risk, and enabled diocesan leaders to make more confident, timely decisions in support of their mission.

- Microsoft Dynamics 365 Business Central
- Microsoft Teams and Office 365 Integration
- Azure Security and Cloud Hosting

Technology that Serves the Mission

Purpose-Built for Diocesan Financial Management

SylogistMission ERP provides a comprehensive suite of tools designed specifically for diocesan and faith-based organizations.

- Multi-entity Accounting for Dioceses
- Grant and Fund Management
- Financial Reporting and Analytics
- Deposit and Loan Administration
- Budgeting and Forecasting
- Accounts Payable and Receivable
- Payroll and Human Resources Management
- Investment Management

The Diocese of Fargo’s investment in SylogistMission ERP has strengthened its ability to serve the Catholic faithful of Eastern North Dakota.



Next steps

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