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Church's Finance Manager Convicted of Grand Larceny in the 2nd Degree

Rochester, NY- Yesterday, a jury convicted Marlo Santini of Grand Larceny in the Second Degree for stealing more than \$50,000.00 from St. Monica's Church at 831 Genesee Street in Rochester. The 44 year old Hilton resident was employed as the finance manager at St. Monica's and was responsible for all bank deposits as well as the financial records of the church. It was alleged that between July of 2008 and June of 2013, she stole approximately \$240,000.00.

St. Monica's used a local accounting firm, the Bonadio Group, to conduct an initial review of their books. The results were then reported to the police. The Rochester Police Department's Economic Crime Unit conducted further investigation and then referred the case to the Monroe County District Attorney where it was prosecuted by Senior Assistant District James Egan of the Economic Crime Bureau.

After the jury's verdict ADA Egan commented that, "St. Monica's Church gave Marlo Santini a position of responsibility and trust and in return she used that position to systematically violate that trust for over five years. It is our hope that this conviction sends a strong message that non-violent, financial crimes matter to the members of our community and will be investigated and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law."

Judge Vincent Dinolfo presided over the trial and will sentence Marlo Santini on June 23, 2016.

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