

# Resolution

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, COUNTY OF SAN MATEO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
RESOLUTION COMMENDING AND HONORING

## ST. PIUS PARISH

UPON THE OCCASION OF ITS GOLDEN JUBILEE

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WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California that ST. PIUS PARISH is celebrating 50 years of service to the people of God; and

WHEREAS, ST. PIUS began as a few acres of land, a rustic ranch house, a water tower and a tiny cottage that was turned over to the beloved Father Michael Fitzsimon by Archbishop John J. Mitty with considerable debt and the message, "Here is your parish, Father!"; and

WHEREAS, today, ST. PIUS PARISH is a thriving community of 3,000 families, poised for the new millennium with faith, hope and confidence in the future; and

WHEREAS, Father Fitzsimon was joined in 1954 by newly-ordained and very young Father Peter Gomez Armstrong, whose vibrant energy and enthusiasm soon reached every corner of the parish in those special five years from 1954 to 1959. He served everyone and was cherished by all, but kids loved him the most. Fathers Fitzsimon and Armstrong were joined by Father Frank Hurley who was teaching at Serra High School and has since become the Archbishop of the State of Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the community expanded from 400 families to now 3,000 families and ST. PIUS continues to grow both physically and spiritually to a full service community, serving people from birth to all phases of their lives, and finally entrance into the promise of God's Heaven; and

WHEREAS, there are many ST. PIUS organizations, committees, and lay ministries that give unselfishly of their time, year in and year out, and they do it quietly, without fanfare; and

WHEREAS, a living, thriving community has grown for 50 years, unmatched in hard work and dedication by both clergy and laity. Through good and difficult times, in joys and in sorrows, parish life at ST. PIUS continues to strengthen, sustain comfort and heal the people of God on their journey toward the Father and that this great Parish is a force that pays tribute to the past while casting a bright light of hope to the future.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, does hereby join all those who honor their parish on their Golden Jubilee, that is 50 years of God's presence in the lives of the thousands who have been touched by this special place, this community of God in the heart of the Peninsula.

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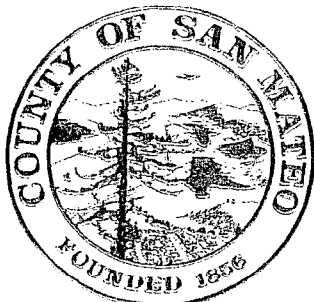
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