

# PROCLAMATION

## REVEREND JOHN W. MCGIVERN APPRECIATION JUNE 26, 2022

**WHEREAS**, the Rev. John W. McGivern has led St. Edmund, Oak Park's oldest Catholic Parish, as Pastor since 2004; and,

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John, throughout his tenure at St. Edmund, has served his Catholic faith, the St. Edmund Parish Community, and all Oak Parkers with great devotion; and,

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John worked diligently to maintain and advance St. Edmund's legacy as a spiritually inclusive and welcoming home where all are embraced regardless of race, background, and preferences; and,

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John has provided comfort to many who were lost, grieving, or experiencing troubled times with grace, dignity, and thoughtful prayer; and,

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John has worked tirelessly in support of many of Oak Park's most critically important social services institutions including Housing Forward, the Community of Congregations, Sarah's Inn and Beyond Hunger; and

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John has earned the admiration, respect, love, and friendship of his entire St. Edmund Parish community; and,

**WHEREAS**, Fr. John's tenure at St. Edmund is ending on June 30th, 2022 as he prepares to move on to his next Chicago Archdiocese assignment.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I**, Vicki Scaman, President of the Village of Oak Park and the Board of Trustees, do hereby proclaim the June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2022 as “**Rev. John W. McGivern Appreciation Day**” in the Village of Oak Park, and thank Fr. John for his dedication to the community for the past 18 years and our best wishes for continued success and happiness in all his future endeavors.

**DATED** this 21st day of June, 2022

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Vicki Scaman, Village President

**ATTEST**

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Christina M. Waters, Village Clerk