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A black-haired man wearing glasses and a red chasuble places a Communion wafer in an olde

Fr. Michael Pham, vicar general of the Diocese of San Diego, distributes Communion May 27, 2023, at San Diego Miramar College during Pentecost All Peoples Mass. On June 6, Pope Francis named Pham and Fr. Felipe Pulido, vicar for clergy and director of vocations for the Diocese of Yakima, Washington, as auxiliary bishops of San Diego. (OSV News photo/David Maung, courtesy Diocese of San Diego)



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Pham, 56, who was born in Vietnam, was ordained for the Diocese of San Diego June 25, 1999. Besides his diocesan position, he also is pastor of Good Shepherd Parish in San Diego. Pulido, 53, who was born in Mexico, was ordained for the Diocese of Yakima June 28, 2002. He also is pastor of St. Joseph Parish in Kennewick, Washington.

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The appointments were publicized in Washington June 6 by Archbishop Christophe Pierre, apostolic nuncio to the United States.

The San Diego Diocese covers 8,852 square miles in Southern California and has a Catholic population of 1.39 million out of a total population of 3.48 million.