Record Nr. UNINA9910809108403321 Mission of change in southwest Alaska [[electronic resource]]: Titolo conversations with Father Rene Astruc and Paul Dixon on their work with Yup'ik people, 1950-1988 / / Ann Fienup-Riordan [editor] Fairbanks, : University of Alaska Press, c2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 1-60223-162-1 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (386 p.) Altri autori (Persone) Fienup-RiordanAnn Disciplina 306/.08997140798 Soggetti Yupik Eskimos - Missions - Alaska - Saint Mary's Region Yupik Eskimos - Land tenure - Alaska - Saint Mary's Region Yupik Eskimos - Alaska - Saint Mary's Region - Social conditions Interviews. History Electronic books. Saint Mary's (Alaska) History Saint Mary's (Alaska) Social life and customs Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Description based upon print version of record. Note generali Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di contenuto Acknowledgments; Introduction by Ann Fienup-Riordan; 1. Changing Continents: Father Astruc Begins Work on the Lower Yukon; 2. Changes in Education: Father Astruc as Superior of St. Mary's Mission; 3. Changing Careers: Paul Dixon Begins Work in Rural Alaska; 4. Changing Communities: The City of St. Marys; 5. Changes on Nelson Island; 6. Regional Changes Before ANCSA; 7. Statewide Changes: ANCSA and Its Aftermath; 8. Change Continues in St. Marys; 9. Changes in the Church: Yup'ik Spirituality in Transition; References; Index. Sommario/riassunto Mission of Change is an oral history describing various types of change-political, social, cultural, and religious-as seen through the eyes of Father Astruc and Paul Dixon, non-Natives who dedicated their lives to working with the Yup'ik people. Their stories are framed by the an analytic history of regional changes, together with current

anthropological theory on the nature of cultural change and the formation of cultural identity. The book presents a subtle and

emotionally moving account of the region and the roles of two men, both of whom view issues from a Catholic perspective yet.