



REV. PETER PRITZL

Mass Set Sunday For Pritzl

The 50th anniversary of the ordination to the priesthood of the Rev. Peter P. Pritzl, O. Praem, will be observed during a 3 p.m. concelebrated Mass on Sunday at St. Norbert Abbey, De Pere.

Father Pritzl will be the principal celebrant, with Rt. Rev. Jerome G. Tremel, O. Praem, presiding; the Rev. Benjamin T. Mackin, O. Praem, homilist; Sister Joan Pitsch, C.S.F.M., and Lawrence L. Motiff, lectors; the Rev. Bartholomew A. Agar, O. Praem, organist and Frat. Thomas E. Scholler, O. Praem, master of ceremonies.

The honoree, who retired in 1974, resides at St. Joseph Priory on the St. Norbert College campus. At 75, he is still active in parish work and in the charismatic movement. He received the St. Norbert College Alma Mater Award in 1975.

Father Pritzl was still in his teens when he joined the Norbertine Order in 1923. Several years later, equipped with a BA degree from St. Norbert College and a master's degree from the University of Wisconsin-Madison, he began a career that span-



ned three and one-half decades at St. Norbert.

He challenged students in the chemistry labs throughout that time and for 26 years served as chairman of the chemistry department, which won national recognition for its excellence. During World War II, he served as dean of the college, and for years after the war directed the Veterans Administration Counseling Center in Green Bay.

In 1961 he left De Pere to improve his failing health. He headed for California, where he established a novitiate for the newly-formed Hungarian Norbertine Fathers and then went to Montana, where he served for 13 years as pastor of parishes at Shelby and Sunburst. There he re-acquainted himself with the religious life of the laity and began his work in charismatic religion.