

Missioner's First High Mass Dec. 30

Rev. Francis C. Byrne, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Byrne, 31 Coronado St., will be ordained Dec. 21, along with six other members of St. Columban's Foreign Mission Society, at St. Columban's Major Seminary, Milton, Mass., by Most Rev. Jeremiah F. Minihan, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Boston.

Father Byrne attended St. Martin's and Holy Family schools before entering St. Columban's Seminary, Silver Creek, in 1950. He began his theological studies in 1959.

He will offer his first low Mass on Dec. 22 in the chapel in Milton. He will sing his first solemn Mass on Dec. 30 at noon in Holy Family Church.

Assisting him will be Rt. Rev. Msgr. Henry B. Shaw, pastor of Holy Family, archpriest; Rev. William McDonnell, assistant at Mother of Divine Grace, deacon, and Rev. Mr. Vincent Palm, a seminarian, subdeacon. Very Rev. Daniel Boland, director of the Columban Fathers in America, will preach the sermon.

A reception will be held in Holy Family School Hall from 4 to 7 p.m. that day.

After a short vacation at



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home with his parents, Father Byrne will return to St. Columban's Major Seminary to complete his theological studies. In June, 1963, he will receive his mission appointment.

The Columban Fathers engage in extensive mission work in Japan, Korea, Burma, Philippine Islands, Fiji Islands and in three countries in Latin America.