Rev. St. Hilaire, at 53, served in Mattapan parish

Rev. Bernard A. St. Hilaire, 53, who has been on sick leave since 1968, died today at Brockton Hospital.

Fr. St. Hilaire's last assignment was assistant pastor in St. Angela's Parish, Mattapan.

Born in Brockton, he studied for the priesthood at St. Hyacinthe Seminary in Quebec, and St. John's Seminary, Brighton.

He was ordained on April 11, 1951 at Holy Cross Cathedral, Boston, by the late Richard Cardinal Cushing.

He leaves his mother, Mrs. Blanche St. Hilaire of Brockton.

A funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday at 10 a.m. in Sacred Heart Church, Brockton. Presiding will be the Most Rev. Daniel A. Hart, regional bishop of the Brockton region.

The principal celebrant and eulogist will be Rev. Ronald H. Paquin, associate pastor of St. Monica's Parish, Methuen.

The concelebrants will be Rev. William F. Lucey of St. Timothy's Parish, Norwood; Rev. Rene J. Joyal, assistant pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Brockton, and Rev. Richard J. Perron, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish.

Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery.