

Father Duncanson Ordained in Massachusetts

NEWTON — Rev. Luke (Wesley) Duncanson, O.S.B., was ordained to the priesthood at St. Jude's Church, his home parish in Waltham, Mass., on Feb. 25, by Archbishop Cushing of Boston. He is a missionary of St. Paul's Abbey here.

Father Duncanson, son of the late Wesley E. and Mrs. Alice (Regan) Duncanson, of Waltham, attended St. Joseph's elementary



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school and St. Mary's high school in Waltham. In 1942 he enlisted in the U. S. Navy and saw action in North Africa, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany, before being discharged in 1946.

Returning to civilian life, Father Duncanson entered the University of Minnesota for pre-medical studies. While making a visit to St. John's Abbey in nearby Collegeville, Minn., he became interested in the religious life of the Benedictine Order, and, with a special view to missionary work, came to St. Paul's Abbey here in December, 1948.

He completed his college studies at the Abbey Seminary, and after finishing his novitiate made his profession of religious vows on Aug. 15, 1950. He is at present completing his theological studies at St. Mary's Monastery, Morris-town.

Father Luke celebrated his first holy Mass at St. Jude's. Rev. Daniel A. McCabe, pastor, was arch-priest; Rev. Richard J. Daly, C. P.S., deacon; and Rev. Francis J. Toolin, S.J., was subdeacon. The sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. Charles V. Coriston, O.S.B., Abbot of St. Paul's Abbey.