Church breakthrough

PERTH, Tuesday. — The first Aboriginal to become a Roman Catholic priest will be ordained in Broome on May 17. He is Deacon Patrick Dodson, 27. a grandson of Mr Paddy Djagween, one of the oldest surviving Aborigines of the Yaroo tribe in Broome.

Deacon Dodson was born in Broome but spent most of his childhood with his family at Katherine, in the Northern Territory. He completed his education in Victoria and then took up studies for the priesthood in Canberra.