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# A Priest

There's a priest in town. Monsignor Something-Or-Another. He's been wandering up and down the streets with a saunter like his knees hurt. Makes it out as if he has a place to be and carries a face like he knows we're watching. Something's wrong about him, Ma'am. Young lot said he's been huffing old incense. Next-door Granny called it a stigmata. I spoke with the altar boy and he said there's a Cathar psalm in the cellar. Whatever it is, it's making him misspeak. Last sermon he said, "This life on Earth is just as it is in Heaven."