

"Aidan's Darkest Sermon"

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EXT. STREET - NIGHT

He attacks again, raising the knife. He runs at her, bringing the knife crashing down, but the girl spins out of the way. Aidan crashes the knife on the wall. He curses under his breath, then gives chase to the girl.

The girl runs as fast as she can, but Aidan easily catches her. He pulls her round and slams her against the wall. Her lunges, but she catches the knife and wrestles with him.

But it's no use. He overpowers her with ease. Just as he is about to bring the knife crashing down, she knees him in the nuts. He crumples over. As the girl is about to run, he spins and lashes out.

AIDAN
You fucking bitch! You fucking
little BITCH!

The blade slices perfectly across the girl's throat. There's nothing at first. We know he landed the cut, but what the hell happened? He looks at her and smiles as her expression turns from shock to terror.

The girl grasps at her throat as blood filters through her fingers. Aidan inspects the knife that is dripping with blood, then jumps forward at her again, stabbing her wildly like an animal again and again.

The girl extends her arm for help, but Aidan backs away, out of reach.

The girl falls to the floor and Aidan smiles.

AIDAN
Our father, who art in heaven...

He looks at the blood on his clothes.

AIDAN
...thy kingdom come...thy will be
done...

He looks at the dying girl and smiles.

AIDAN
...on Earth...as it is...

STAB!

AIDAN
...in HEAVEN!

He pulls back, revealing himself, completely bloody. He looks down on his dead victim. He closes his eyes and chants.

AIDAN
Give us this day, our daily
bread. And forgive us...our
trespasses. As we forgive
those...

He opens his eyes and looks down, filled with rage once
more.

AIDAN
...who trespass...

STAB! He attacks the corpse again.

AIDAN
...against us!

STAB!

Now on his knees, he smiles, stroking the girl's hair.

AIDAN
(Whispering)
Lead us not into temptation. But
deliver us from evil. For thine
is the kingdom...the POWER...

He grips the girl's hair, then her bloody throat, hard.

AIDAN
...and the GLORY!

He smiles, relaxes his grip, then makes the sign of the
cross. He closes his eyes.

AIDAN
Amen.

Aidan grows tired and looks up to the sky, hysterically
full of joy. He jumps back in the car and drives off as
fast as he can without attracting attention, leaving his
victim on the floor.