

# Gunmen kill Anglican priest in Imo



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Gunmen on Tuesday killed an Anglican priest, Emeka Merenu, who hails from Amorji Agbomiri village in Nkwerre Local Government Area of Imo State.

The priest was said to have been murdered by men suspected to be members of the Eastern Security Network (ESN), which is the militant wing of the proscribed Indigenous Peoples of Biafra (IPOB).

This however has not been independently confirmed.

But a member of the State House of Assembly representing Nkwerre local government area, Obinna Okwara, who confirmed the killing to newsmen, described the incident as "inhuman".

According to him, Reverend Emeka Merenu was killed in his parsonage at Orsu Iheteukwa, in Orsu Local Government Area of Imo state in the early hours of Tuesday.

Okwara said the priest was killed over an unfounded allegation that he brought in military men to secure church and secondary school under his supervision.

The lawmaker added that his vehicle was also set ablaze.

Police spokesman, CSP Mike Abattam, could not be reached for comments.