Pastor arrested for shooting boy to death over knockout



The Imo State Police Command has arrested a Catholic priest identified as Joseph Enyinaya, in connection with the murder of a boy in his church.

The boy was reportedly shot by the priest on December 31, after he set off fireworks inside the St. Columbus Catholic Church in Amaimo Ikeduru Local Government Area.

The state Police spokesperson, Henry Okoye, said the suspect was arrested yesterday and that an investigation had been launched into the matter.

Okoye added that the remains of the victim had been deposited to a morgue in the nearby Atta Ikeduru community.

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"The priest has been arrested, and the body of the boy has been deposited at a mortuary in Atta Ikeduru," Okoye said.

"The police have launched a detailed investigation to ascertain the remote facts surrounding the incident."

The police spokesperson assured residents that details of the case would be communicated as investigation continued.