



Another Catholic priest kidnapped in Sokoto

• 9 killed in Borno explosion

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FEW days after the burial of a Catholic priest who was kidnapped and killed in Kaduna State, another priest from the Catholic Diocese of Sokoto, Father Tony Udemezue, was

reportedly kidnapped by unknown gunmen in Sokoto State.

Daily Sun gathered that the priest was kidnapped yesterday morning from his residence in Tambuwal, the hometown of Governor Aminu Tambuwal

of Sokoto State. The Director of Communications for Sokoto Diocese, Rev. Fr. Chris Omosho, confirmed the incident.

He said: "One of my parishioners in Tambuwal, Sokoto State, Tony Udemezue, has just been kidnapped in his house. No police has responded yet, despite the fact that they were

called by him before he was taken away. Please let us keep him and family in prayers."

Meanwhile, at least nine people were reportedly killed after a bomb exploded in Bama Local Government Area (LGA) of Borno State, yesterday.

Although details of the incident were sketchy at the

time of going to press, Daily Sun gathered that the victims were scrap metal scavengers, who resided in Government Girls Secondary School Bama, which is currently an internally displaced persons' camp.

Bama is 68 kilometres from Maiduguri, the Borno state Capital.