

## 4 Feared Killed in Church Robbery

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Four people were feared killed and several others wounded in a robbery incident yesterday, at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church, Aguda, Surulere, Lagos.

The robbers were said to have stormed the church's premises around 2 a.m. and demanded for the money the church realised from the previous day's (Sunday) launch, in preparation for the forthcoming Harvest/Bazaar.

They succeeded in carting away money, running into several millions of naira and on their way out, shot sporadically into the air, killing four people in the process.

The robbers had earlier gone to another Catholic Church, Our Lord's Saviour Church, where they also demanded for money realised from bazaar, but when they realised that it was the wrong church, they quickly left without taking anything.

The Parish Priest, Reverend Jude, was not available for comment.

Speaking on the incident, Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Frank Mba, Superintendent of Police (SP), said the incident was not robbery, but a case of burglary, adding that nobody was killed.

Although Mba confirmed that certain amount of money was taken from the church, none of the members whom he said reported the case of stealing to the police at Aguda Police Station, gave the actual amount.