

## Arcane Grail "Anachoret's Orisons"

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[Verses by Demether; music by Eugen]

Hearings 'bout the devil's coming spend as faster as the sunlight

It hath reached the ancient village near the city of Avilles

There has lived the aged friar who has almost lost his eyesight

But he not dement his reason and the power for his years

He was praying at the icon of God in the monastery Hung on shoulder the bag with the Gospel, and modestly

Took the verge and went toward macabre Nebelforst That towers ruefully in the heart of Black Forest

He made the unconspicuous grey tabernacle On the rivage of silvan warbling brooklet... Francis bode there peacefully (two days and one night),

Just berrying and gazing as birds and bees flit

Francis was ware, and every crackle As the prick of the profane morglay He was afraid the temptation of soul But not that his flesh would be slain

Walking one day in the forest and banished the drear fancies

Francis was suddenly startled -- He discerned a spectral silhouette

Which forthright vanished amid the trunks of the gleamy trees,

Seemed that in the sullen wood (was performing) a magical frondage's minuet

He stood unto the stool thereat the menorah, ignified the flames

The old monk settled his mind and set to exalt the prayer to the saints

The reason was sereneed and he plunged into the

deep sleep's waves

Barely he felt formication -- He heard the horissonant voice

As Tartarean trump it tanged, and the blood curdled in veins

"Thou art outlander!" -- it said -- O it was the atrocious noise

Francis tried to gin to pray but he leaned to the hithermost teil

"Let wit ye that my soul had embrewed with blood of thousands"

"My soul is so old and I hope that "Jhesu's sword" have found you,

All-father's clemency ain't fineless and your soul will be (as sure as fate)

Haunted by hellhounds"

"Let thy flesh and blood be devoured by terrene cerastes

Dost ye want to enhalo thy caitiff soul? Thy omnipotent deity isn't hearkeneth thy orisons and pleas!"

"Nay, I mere the meek theopathic thrall!"

"Oh lawks, empower me this even! Behold, I apostrophize to you Avaunt, the varletry of Devil! Erebus in this wield I've viewed"

Francis, with name of God in mouth, aspersed the air, which broke and ostended the bloodcurdling sight -- armoured "demons" were squirming and yowling; King Germanareh's standing hardily afore, wincing at fury.

"Well, you quasi have my army
But now my great suzerain citeth me
Don't think that your god is mightier him"

"SIX LUCEAT LUX!"

In the same flash of time all is perished...

"My faith won despite that my word was despisable, Oh God, why, his thersitical orations were so damnable That I couldn't listen them, my heart was cowered by awe

The evil was permeating into my forworn reason more

Dei gratia I have prevailed this horrendous fiend!"

## [Awakening of Newborn Light]

Francis took his belongings, left the loaf's crumbs for squirrels, sained himself and went out.

Next morrow he saw an auroral dawn And his martyred soul began to moan (That many slain people wouldn't see it) Yes, blackened evil took their souls But I believe that Love is law in our world (And beauty of this planet shall not wilt)

He knocked in the soil At the marge of the wood The blest timbered cross Which put out the roots...

And we'll return into the rood!

After several years the marvelous oak grown there, it's vast branches shielded the grassy path to the fragrant pine forest. Every man may rest in the shade of this magnificent tree. If you stare intently to the bottom of the trunk, you may decipher a small cross, etched in the bark by one's ungraspable design, and nothing can abolish it, nor the time, men or natural elements.

Already three hundred years peace and tranquility are reigning there. No animated being is frightened of ancient nighted horror, but the legend lives on the mouth of local inhabitants.

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