

**Michael John LaChiusa****"The Greatest Practical Joke"**

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The greatest practical joke  
Played on the common folk  
Is God!  
You want some mannegut?

The worst political prank  
Played by the vile and rank  
Is Christ! Mohammed  
Buddah, Bishnou  
Jokes of Smith and all his angels  
To keep the poor in check  
The business offers daily masses  
And threatens Hell and heck!

Look at the world  
You think there's a God?  
There isn't a God!  
Not when you got all those criminal types  
Like Henry Kissinger sneaking around  
And pedaling nukes!

Look at the world! If there's a God  
You'd think he'd do something  
To stop all the war  
And the crime and the crap  
And he'd punish those son of a bitches  
Who write all those stupid new TV shows!

Look at the world!  
There can't be a God  
Not when you got those crazy nuns  
Like Mother Theresa  
Who don't give those Indians rubbers  
And so they have babies and babies  
And everyone's crowded  
And hungry and starving...  
Of course, if Indian food was all I had to eat...  
I wouldn't eat!

There's lots of blood you can spill  
You got the right to kill for God

Eat up this warm lasagna!  
You'll earn your saintly reward  
Aiming your missiles toward  
The heathen who do not believe in  
All the crap that you believe in!  
You were always a gullible dope  
You keep playing dumb and baby, you'll be the Pope!

So mangle a feast before you fall  
For the greatest practical joke  
Of all!

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