

# The Daily Dirge



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## Wave of Mass Hysteria Sweeps New York, Visions of Lucasta cited

In a wave of mass panic causing some experts to recall the "Devil's Thursday" incident last May (in which thousands of New Yorkers were overcome by temporary fits of insanity and engaged in murder and self mutilation en masse), reports have been pouring in all throughout the city of visions of infamous vigilante figure Lucasta and a band of followers descending from the New York sky.

Investigators initially dismissed reports, but after they continued for days on end, and hit numbers ranging in the hundred, they've come to believe that some sort of mass hypnosis or drugging is being perpetuated upon New York citizens.

"Lucasta simply *cannot* be in all of the places described at once, and what people are describing simply *cannot* happen," claims detective

Elaine Brown.

Apparently visions reported all include Lucasta descending from the sky on what witnesses describe as "wings of lightning and fire" and chastising those who witness him for their earthly sins. Most victims claim they not only saw him, but and army of shadowy followers who dissipated before their eyes. Police estimate given the strangeness of the visions that many people simply haven't reported anything.

"People are expecting they won't be believed. This is strange!" Brown continued.

This incident is sparking a great deal of debate amongst local religious figures, as some fundamentalist Christians are claiming that this development might be related to the Book of Revelations and the coming apocalypse. All parties admit that it's a situation that's hard to make sense of.

## Local Religious Leader Slain

Local philanthropist and religious leader, "Loa" was found murdered this past Wednesday in her group's temple in the Bronx. She had apparently been stabbed and then mutilated by an unknown intruder to the compound.

The groups Loa headed, known as the Pururea Incurca, or in some circles Loa's children, claims that

this assault was the result of Christian extremists, given evidence left at the scene of the murder. Police do not confirm this, but admit that it seems a likely possibility.



Artist's rendering of Loa, of whom there are few extant photos

The group has made a public statement of forgiveness directed toward Loa's killer, as they claim she did not believe in vengeance or grudge, although they are collaborating with police in every way to bring her killer to justice.

Pururea Incurca is a modern religious movement which started in Romania. It draws on beliefs relating to early sun worship and Pagan practice, but it's main imperatives have always included charity, community service and the virtue of compassion. Ironically, Loa was killed the night after she raised over \$200,000 for a children's charity known as *Growing Minds* at a charity dinner the night before.

Loa's body is to be cremated by the group after autopsy in a public ceremony. Many local community members are expected to attend.

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## Christine Darkwater Dead

Christine Darkwater, the Dominican nun believed to be responsible for the string of arson attacks last Fall, died yesterday evening in her room at Ward's Island Hospital for the criminally insane. Darkwater [27], had been committed there earlier last year in after she was deemed unfit to stand trial by the courts.



*Darkwater prior to her arrest*

Originally the operator of a lower Bronx soup kitchen, most of Darkwater's acquaintances regarded her as a kind girl, and expressed disbelief when she was arrested for multiple murders and arsons. The fact that Christine allegedly never spoke all throughout her arrest and confinement solidified a growing public sentiment that she was innocent, and has helped, especially in light of her death to fuel rumors of staff abuse against her.

Police and health officials are investigating the circumstances of Christine's death, apparently from natural causes, carefully. There is some concern, given that Christine seemed to be in stable condition the day leading up to her death, and given the death of her mother Allison Dark water last November under mysterious circumstances.

Christine is outlived by her father Julian. Her funeral is to be held at St. Patrick Cathedral on Friday 26.

## Horoscopes

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You can sometimes be overambitious, even when you have a good point to make. Don't overextend yourself.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You're the sort of person people remember, even when your aren't present. Don't feel obligated to stick around to make a point.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** You often stick to the sidelines, watch and let others make decisions around you. Don't be afraid to take a stand tonight. You're stronger than you think.

### CANCER (June 21-July 22)

If your friend is a Leo, don't trust his/her false gifts. They are Trojan horses and filled with pestilence and LIES! If you have no Leo friends, you are lucky, so try and keep it that way.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Right... you. Well Leo, tonight you shall learn that flowers can't fix everything, you feces encrusted, baboon felching, miserable piece of distended rectum intruding upon the toilet bowl that is your pathetic existence. Your horoscope: You will die alone and miserable with nobody to love you. Hang in there trouper! Ha ha ha!

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Your love life finally seems to have reached the point you've anticipated. Don't be shocked by disappointment it's not all you'd hoped for.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** Life will be frustrating. Don't be afraid to yell uselessly at some underlings.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** If you're feeling blue, get a backrub.

Remind yourself that you're a worthwhile person.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

If you own a puppy and it is a Leo, drown it.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You like to be in control, but occasionally get out of the loop a tad. Don't be bullheaded and trust your non-Leo friends on this one.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Patience has it's rewards, but some things border on Obsessive Compulsive! Don't get too caught up in menial tasks this week.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You're about to embark on a new phase in your life. Remember what brought you here.