

# Orthodox priest injured in French shooting, assailant has fled: police source – Update, it looks like a personal dispute.

[he assailant is thought to be at large](#) after fleeing the scene on Rue Saint-Lazare in [The Times](#) the police are not treating it as terrorism. And

The priest, Father Nikolaos Kakavelakis who is employed by the Greek education and religious affairs, had been involved in a conflict with a former orthodox monk, Jean-Michel Dhimoila, who had accused him online of financial impropriety and sexual harassment, French media reported.

Father Nikolaos denies the claims and brought a libel suit in 2018 against Mr Dhimoila who was ordered to pay him damages.

Father Antoine Callot, also a Greek orthodox priest in Lyons, said there had been a conflict at Father Nikolaos' church since his arrival in 2007. "There were police interventions after they were called by Father Nikolaos, at least once if not several times. There were fights in the church," he said.

*It is understandable why everybody is so tense.*