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The Vicar of Eastry Church

SPECIFICATIONS:

Date: 1956

Location: Eastry Church, near Sandwich, Kent,

England

Photographer: Mr.

Bootman

Type Camera: Unknown

Other Information: Location has a history of paranormal activity.

As further evidence that men of the cloth seem to enjoy hanging around their church long after they have shed their earthly mantle, I present the photo above. Taken by a Mr. Bootman in 1956, the photo shows what appears to be a transparent vicar sitting at one of the pews staring into the camera. The man who took the photo insisted that only he, his wife and a cleaning lady were present in the church at the time the photo was taken.

What can we make of it? It's possible it's a double exposure, though there is no obvious evidence of that, nor does it appear to be superimposed. Could be a

timed exposure, but even then you should be able to make out something of the man within the white horizontal bars running across his features. As such, this can only go down in the books as unexplained. However, churches often have a history of housing ghosts in general, so if this is one of the church's former vicars, it wouldn't be the first time they've chosen to hang around long after they're dead.

Close up of the apparition's face seems to suggest a moustache and glasses and a rather large nose.

Could this, then, possibly be the ghost of Groucho Marx?

