**Monsters**

**The Cleric Beast**

A massive creature with deformed horns, the cleric beast is a terrifying monster whose shrieks sound almost like cries of agony. With a wolf-like head, large horns, a skeletal body and one arm twice as large as the other, the cleric beast is surprisingly quick and powerful. You must be a strong and daring hunter to go face such a monstrous beast.

**Cursed Priesthood**

The Healing Church was once renowned for its use of sciences to derive healing blood, a medicine that could keep the sickness of the old blood away. However, after some time the healing blood became tainted, resulting in the realization of a horrifying nightmare known as the scourge, in which those who has received blood transfusions from the church began to transform into terrible monsters.

Rumor has spread that the cleric beast was once a clergyman of the city of Yharnam. The captain of the Church hunters became afflicted by the scourge, and transformed into this terrifying monster. Now, it prowls through the cobblestone streets of Yharnam, killing any unlucky enough to cross it.

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**Cleric Beast**

*Large aberration, chaotic evil*

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**Saving Throws** Str +7, Dex +6

**Skills** Perception +2

**Damage Resistances** bludgeoning, force, lightning

**Damage Vulnerabilities** fire

**Condition Immunities** charmed

**Senses** darkvision 50 ft. passive Perception 10

**Languages**

**Challenge 6 (2300 XP)**

**Brute.** The cleric beast deals one extra die of its damage when it hits (included in the attack).

**Rejuvenation.** When the cleric beast is reduced to half health, it releases a red glow from its body that heals it for 10 hit points per round, until it reaches its maximum health, at which time this effect ends.

**Actions**

**Multiattack.** The cleric beast makes two claw attacks and one grab attack.

**Claw.** Melee Weapon Attack: +7 to hit, reach 10 ft., Hit: 13 (2d8+4) slashing damage.

**Grab.** One target within 10 feet must make a DC 15 Dexterity saving throw or be grappled (escape DC 15). While grappled, the target is restrained and takes 7 (1d6+4) bludgeoning damage per round. The cleric beast cannot use its grab attack while it is grappling a target.
Father Gascoigne
Medium human, chaotic evil

Armor Class: 17 (natural armor)
Hit Points: 97 (15d8 + 30)
Speed: 30 ft.

**STR** 18 (+4)  **DEX** 16 (+3)  **CON** 14 (+2)  **INT** 12 (+1)  **WIS** 14 (+2)  **CHA** 12 (+1)

**Saving Throws**: Str +6, Dex +6, Wis +5
**Damage Vulnerabilities**: fire
**Condition Immunities**: charmed
**Senses**: passive Perception 12
**Languages**: Common
**Challenge**: 8 (3900 XP)

**Versatile Axe.** When Father Gascoigne is reduced to 2/3 of his maximum health, he will transform his handaxe into a greataxe, increasing his damage from 1d8 to 1d12, and increasing his range from 5 feet to 10 feet. He is still wielding this weapon in one hand, and his pistol in the other.

**Bloodlust.** When Father Gascoigne is reduced to 1/3 of his maximum health, he will transform into a wolf-like creature. While in this form, he has a +4 bonus to Strength and Dexterity, an additional 10 feet of movement, and can use his claw and pounce attacks.

**Actions**

**Multitack.** Father Gascoigne can make one handaxe attack and one pistol attack. When he is reduced to 2/3 of his maximum health, his handaxe attack is replaced by a greataxe attack. When he is reduced to 1/3 of his maximum health, he loses his axe and pistol, but can make two claw attacks and a pounce attack.

**Handaxe.** Melee Weapon Attack: +7 to hit, reach 5 ft., Hit: 8 (1d8 + 4) slashing damage.

**Greataxe.** Melee Weapon Attack: +7 to hit, reach 10 ft., Hit: 10 (1d12 + 4) slashing damage.

**Pistol.** Ranged Weapon Attack: +6 to hit, range 60/120 ft., Hit: 8 (1d10 + 3) piercing damage.

**Claw.** Melee Weapon Attack: +9 to hit, reach 10 ft., Hit: 10 (1d8 + 6) slashing damage.

**Pounce.** The transformed Father Gascoigne pounces on one target within 20 feet, moving into any open space adjacent to it. The target must make a DC 17 Dexterity saving throw. On a failed save, the target takes 13 (2d6 + 6) bludgeoning damage and is knocked prone.

Father Gascoigne

Although not originally from Yharnam (“Father” is not a rank in the Healing Church), Father Gascoigne is rumored to have been afflicted with the curse, and traveled to Yharnam for its blood healing. Like many others before him, after receiving the blood transfusion, Gascoigne became a hunter, seeking out and purifying the city of its many corrupted beasts. For reasons unknown to most, Gascoigne eventually parted ways with the Healing Church, pursuing his own personal quests.

Gascoigne eventually met his wife, Viola, and with her had two daughters. He began living a normal life with his family. However, eventually Gascoigne began to lose his sanity, like many of the Yharnam residents around him. And with the blood given to him from the Healing Church, he began to transform into a terrifying beast. The only thing that could bring back Gascoigne’s humanity was a small music box of Viola’s that played soothing music and calmed his monstrous heart.

One fateful night, Gascoigne and Viola set off to a safe place away from their children to deal with his affliction. And on that night, Viola forgot her music box. Gascoigne transforms that night, and murdered his wife, hitting her so hard she was flung onto a nearby rooftop.

Driven mad by the scent of blood, Gascoigne began killing any who cross his path in his blood frenzy. He eventually lost himself entirely, transforming into a savage, murderous beast as he was completely corrupted by his affliction.
The Blood-Starved Beast

The blood-starved beast that can be found in Yharnam’s cathedral. A deformed creature whose skin is peeled off and hanging from its back, this beast is lightning-fast and unnaturally agile, making it a very dangerous enemy.

Rumor has it that the blood-starved beast was a person receiving blood healing from the Healing Church as part of their rituals to learn more about their gods, as the corpses of similar beasts can be found chained up in chapels around Old Yharnam. At the very least, these creatures had some sort of connection to the ritualistic practices of the Healing Church, and may lead to some insight on the powers of blood healing.

**Blood-Starved Beast**

Large fiend. chaotic evil

- Armor Class: 17 (natural armor)
- Hit Points: 75 (10d10 + 20)
- Speed: 30 ft.

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- Skills: Athletics +6, Perception +3
- Damage Resistances: lightning
- Damage Vulnerabilities: fire
- Condition Immunities: charmed
- Senses: darkvision 60 ft., passive Perception 10
- Languages:
- Challenge: 7 (2900 XP)

**Bloodlust.** As the blood-starved beast begins to taste its own blood, it will enter into a greater frenzy, becoming stronger and faster. When the blood-starved beast is reduced to 2/3 of its maximum health, it can move an additional 10 feet per round, and make one additional claw attack.

**Poison Aura.** When the blood-starved beast is reduced to 1/3 of its maximum hit points, it will begin releasing a poisonous mist around it. Any creature that begins its turn within 5 feet or moves within 5 feet of the blood-starved beast must make a DC 13 Constitution saving throw, or take 2d6 poison damage and be poisoned. A poisoned creature can make a second Constitution saving throw on the beginning of their next turn. On a failed save, the creature takes 1d6 poison damage per round for 1 minute. A creature that is currently poisoned cannot be poisoned again.

**Poison-tipped Claws.** When a target is hit by the blood-starved beast, it must succeed a DC 13 Constitution saving throw or be poisoned. A poisoned creature can make a second Constitution saving throw on the beginning of its next turn. On a failed save, the creature takes 1d6 poison damage per round for 1 minute. A creature that is currently poisoned cannot be poisoned again.

**Magic Resistance.** The blood-starved beast has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.

**Actions**

- **Multiattack.** The blood-starved beast makes two attacks with its claws.

  - **Claw.** Melee Weapon Attack: +6 to hit, reach 10 ft., Hit: 10 (2d6 + 3) slashing damage.

  - **Feral Lunge.** The blood-starved beast ravenously lunges at a target within 30 feet, landing in any open space next to it. The target must succeed a DC 15 Dexterity saving throw or take 17 (4d6 + 3) slashing damage.
The title of Vicar was given to the heads of the Healing Church, and Amelia was the last of the Vicars. She watched as Yharnam fell to the corruption of the old blood. Her last moments as a human were in her cathedral, praying to the altar and clutching her gold pendant, passed down through the lineage of Vicars.

**Transformed by the Old Blood**

Amelia was as susceptible to the old blood as the rest of the Yharnamites, and because of her position in the church, was exposed to much more of it than most. Her corruption was grotesque, transforming into a large, vicious beast with huge claws. But even in the throes of her madness, she clutched at her gold pendant, as if clutching on to the last remains of her humanity. And even when consumed by bloodlust, she did not forget to pray to the gods for aid and forgiveness.

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**Vicar Amelia**

Large aberration, chaotic evil

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**Saving Throws** Str +8, Dex +7, Cha +7

**Skills** Athletics +8, Religion +5

**Damage Resistances** bludgeoning, lightning

**Damage Vulnerabilities** fire

**Condition Immunities** charmed, frightened

**Senses** passive Perception 12

**Languages**

**Challenge** 9 (5000 XP)

*Magic Resistance*. Vicar Amelia has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.

**Actions**

**Multiattack**. Vicar Amelia makes three attacks: two with its claws and one with its bite.

**Claw.** *Melee Weapon Attack*. +8 to hit, reach 10 ft., Hit: 8 (1d8 + 4) slashing damage.

**Bite.** *Melee Weapon Attack*. +8 to hit, reach 5 ft., Hit: 11 (2d6 + 4) piercing damage.

**Prayer (Recharge 4-6)**. Vicar Amelia clutches her pendant close to her chest and prays, recovering 30 hit points.

**Frenzied Barrage (Recharge 5-6)**. Vicar Amelia makes four claw attacks.

**Prayer Strike**. Vicar Amelia clasps her hands in prayer above her, and then slams the ground, creating a shockwave in a 20 foot cone in front of her. Any creature in that area must make a DC 16 Dexterity saving throw. On a failed save, the creature takes 14 (3d8) bludgeoning damage and is knocked prone. On a successful save, the target takes half as much damage.

**Reactions**

**Howl (1/day)**. Vicar Amelia releases a terrifying howl to the heavens and for a moment is surrounded by a dazzling white aura. She is cured of all status effects.
Hidden in a gravesite deep within the Forbidden Woods, the shadows of Yharnam are the corrupted souls of three once-great hunters of the Church of Healing.

Corruption of the Snake
Similar to many poor souls, the shadows were corrupted by the evil snakes in the Forbidden Woods, turning them from church protectors to mindless monsters. Always fighting together, they grow stronger as the battle rages on, revealing the parasites within themselves and summoning great snakes to come to their aid.

First Shadow of Yharnam
Medium aberration, chaotic evil

Armor Class 15 (natural armor)
Hit Points 65 (10d8 + 20)
Speed 30 ft.

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Saving Throws Str +5, Dex +5, Wis +4
Damage Vulnerabilities lightning
Senses darkvision 60 ft. passive Perception 12
Languages Common
Challenge 4 (1100 XP)

Magic Resistance. The shadow has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.

Snake Corruption. When the health of one of the shadows falls below 45 health, all three transform. The shadow’s hood falls back and reveals multiple snake heads. During this phase, the shadow gains the use of the viper strike action.

Snake Charmer. When this shadow is the only one of the three left conscious or alive, it can use the snake summon action.

Actions
Multiattack. The shadow makes three katana attacks, one fire breath action, or one snake summon.

Katana. Melee Weapon Attack: +5 to hit, reach 5 ft., Hit: 7 (1d8+3) slashing damage.

Viper Strike. Melee Weapon Attack: +5 to hit, reach 20 ft., Hit: 15 (2d8+6) slashing damage.

Snake Summon (Recharge 5-6). The shadow summons giant snakes that burst through the ground and attack its enemies. All targets within a 30 foot radius of the shadow must succeed on DC 13 Dexterity saving throws. On a failed save, a target takes 18 (4d8) piercing damage and 18 (4d8) poison damage. On a successful save, the target takes half as much damage.
# Third Shadow of Yharnam

*Medium aberration, chaotic evil*

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**Saving Throws** Str +5, Dex +5, Wis +4

**Damage Vulnerabilities** lightning

**Senses** darkvision 60 ft., passive Perception 14

**Languages** Common

**Challenge** 4 (1100 XP)

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**Magic Resistance.** The shadow has advantage on saving throws against spells and other magical effects.

**Snake Corruption.** When the health of one of the shadows falls below 45 health, all three transform. The shadow's hood falls back and reveals multiple snake heads. During this phase, the shadow deals an additional 2d6 fire damage with its flame missiles.

**Snake Charmer.** When this shadow is the only one of the three left conscious or alive, it can use the snake summon action.

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**Actions**

**Mace. Melee Weapon Attack:** +3 to hit, reach 5 ft., *Hit:* 5 (1d8 + 1) bludgeoning damage.

**Flame Missiles.** The shadow launches 3 bolts of fire at targets within 30 feet. The shadow makes a ranged spell attack for each bolt, using its Wisdom modifier for its attack roll. On a hit, the target takes 7 (2d6) fire damage.

**Snake Summon (Recharge 5-6).** The shadow summons giant snakes that burst through the ground and attack its enemies. All targets within a 30 foot radius of the shadow must succeed on DC 13 Dexterity saving throws. On a failed save, a target takes 18 (4d8) piercing damage and 18 (4d8) poison damage. On a successful save, the target takes half as much damage.
### MAD ONE

*Medium aberration, chaotic evil*

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**Senses**  darkvision 60 ft, passive Perception 8  
**Languages**  -  
**Challenge**  2 (450 XP)

**Actions**

**Multiattack.** The mad one makes two sickle attacks.

**Sickle.** *Melee Weapon Attack:* +5 to hit, reach 5 ft., *Hit:* 6 (1d6+3) slashing damage.

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### HUNTSMAN

*Medium humanoid, true neutral*

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**Senses**  passive Perception 10  
**Languages**  Common  
**Challenge**  1 (200 XP)

**Actions**

**Multiattack.** The huntsman makes 1 axe attack and 1 torch attack.

**Axe.** *Melee Weapon Attack:* +3 to hit, reach 5 ft., *Hit:* 5 (1d8+1) slashing damage.

**Torch.** *Melee Weapon Attack:* +3 to hit, reach 5 ft., *Hit:* 4 (1d8+0) fire damage.
**Huntsman’s Minion**

*Large humanoid, chaotic neutral.*

**Armor Class 13**
**Hit Points 45 (6d10 + 12)**
**Speed 30 ft.**

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**Senses**  passive Perception 11

**Languages**  Common

**Challenge 3 (700 XP)**

**Brute.** The huntsman’s minion’s attacks deal an extra die of damage.

**Actions**

**Multiattack.** The huntsman’s minion makes two attacks with its brick.

**Brick.** *Melee Weapon Attack:* +4 to hit, reach 5 ft., *Hit:* 6 (1d8+2) bludgeoning damage.
The Witches of Hemwick

The witches of Hemwick are elderly hunchbacked women who seem harmless at first glance, until you realize that they’ve adorned themselves in human eyeballs. The witches conduct secret rituals in the dead of night, gathering the eyeballs of the living in sacrifice to the old gods.

Old, Evil Magic

While the witches themselves are not very dangerous in combat, they use their magic along with their summoning skills to defend themselves. The first witch summons hordes of sickle-wielding Mad Ones to attack her foes while the second witch stuns and knocks back her enemies with spells. Together, they form a deadly duo.

Second Witch of Hemwick

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Skills: Arcana +6, Deception +3, Stealth +3
Senses: darkvision 60 ft, passive Perception 13
Languages: Common, Infernal
Challenge: 6 (2300 XP)

Innate Spellcasting. The first witch of hemwick can innately cast invisibility, requiring no material components. Its innate spellcasting ability is Intelligence.

Actions

Dagger. Melee Weapon Attack: +3 to hit, reach 5 ft., Hit: 2 (1d4+0) piercing damage.

Spirit Burst. The second witch of hemwick releases a burst of energy. All targets within 20 feet must succeed on a DC 15 Strength saving throw or be pushed back out of the radius of the spell and be knocked prone.

Spirit Ring. One target within 30 feet must make a DC 15 Dexterity saving throw. On a failed save, a bright white ring appears around the target, and it is immobilized for 1d4 turns.

First Witch of Hemwick

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Senses: darkvision 60 ft, passive Perception 13
Languages: Common, Infernal
Challenge: 6 (2300 XP)

Innate Spellcasting. The first witch of hemwick can innately cast invisibility, requiring no material components. Its innate spellcasting ability is Intelligence.

Actions

Dagger. Melee Weapon Attack: +3 to hit, reach 5 ft., Hit: 2 (1d4+0) piercing damage.

Summon Mad Ones (Recharge 4-6). The first witch of hemwick summons 2 mad ones within 20 feet of her. The mad ones attack the closest enemy to them.
The darkbeast is a malformed creature enveloped in blue lightning. A long, sinuous body of bone, and a wrinkled skull for a head, people say that this beast is ancient, resurrected through some mad ritual.

**Treacherous and Unpredictable**

Darkbeast Paarl’s movements are like the electricity that courses across its body—erratic, unpredictable and deadly. Despite its tremendous size, the darkbeast moves with unmatched agility, and its long reach and razor-sharp claws tear through its enemies. And if that wasn’t enough, its electricity-charged attacks are certain to rend your flesh from your bones.

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**Darkbeast Paarl**

**Huge aberration, chaotic evil**

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**Saving Throws**

Dex +11, Con +8, Int +6

**Skills**

Perception +9

**Damage Resistances**

bludgeoning, lightning

**Damage Vulnerabilities**

fire

**Senses**

darkvision 60 ft. passive Perception 14

**Languages**

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**Challenge**

14 (11,500 XP)

**Lightning Body.** When Darkbeast Paarl hits with his attacks, the attacks deal an extra 4d8 lightning damage.

**Actions**

**Multiattack.** Darkbeast Paarl makes three claw attacks.

**Claw.** Melee Weapon Attack: +18 to hit, reach 15 ft., Hit: 11 (2d6+4) slashing damage, plus 18 (4d8) lightning damage

**Lightning Nova (Recharge 5-6).** Darkbeast Paarl releases a burst of lightning from its body. Each creature within 20 feet must make a DC 17 Dexterity saving throw. On a failed save, creatures take 45 (10d8) lightning damage. On a successful save, they take half as much damage.

**Reactions**

**Static Discharge.** When Darkbeast Paarl is targeted by a melee attack, it can force the target to make a DC 17 Dexterity saving throw. On a failed save, the target is struck by a discharge of electricity from Paarl’s body, taking 45 (10d8) lightning damage. On a successful save, the target takes half as much damage.