

DISFIGURED ANGEL BY W. WRIGHT - PRIMARY CHARACTERS

Father Frederic Harris

Residing vicar over Saint Matthew's Cathedral, an old historic church in the river district of Chicago. It is declining in membership and in much need of repair. The priest knows his faith is wavering and resorts to alcohol and embezzling the church's money. Father Harris will take legal custody of baby Luke and believes he is the child's father. After years of a depressing life he finds everything changing when Luke comes into his life.

Lisa Evans

Lisa is the underage lover of Father Harris and mother to be of Adam Lucius Evans. Her dishonesty with Father Harris is eventually revealed, years after Luke was born.

Adam Lucius Evans

Known as Luke to most people, he is the bastard son of Lisa Evans. Deformed by Hurler's Syndrome (Gargoylism) he grows up hidden in an upper room of the cathedral. He has the singing voice of an angel but must stay hidden beneath hooded tunics. In time he will become known as The Gargoyle of the River District. This is a name given to him by staff reporter Jeffrey Hollister.

Sister Elizabeth Keifer

Member of the convent 'Sisters of the Sacred Heart', she becomes Luke's nurse maid, caretaker, and educator. She is a very strong willed nun who is devoted to her faith. Luke will come to love her as a mother figure for she sees Luke as a disfigured angel.

Margaret

She is the part time secretary at Saint Matthew's Cathedral. A kind and intelligent woman who will become a source of support and ally for Father Harris, Sister Elizabeth and Luke himself.

Cardinal Aaron McKinley

An arrogant heavy set man involved in illegal activity. He will become obsessed with acquiring the sacred veil of Veronica, also known as the Volto. His Vatican connection and "holier than thou" behavior is a serious threat to Father Harris and Luke.

Bishop Valero

Bishop over the parishes in Chicago and an accomplice to Cardinal McKinley, as well as a resource for Cecil Bianchi and his gang of thugs.

Cynthia Montgomery

She is the daughter of Raymond Montgomery, an influential furniture tycoon. With long blonde hair and sweet nature, she will become Luke's first romantic crush.

Cecil Bianchi

A large muscular and very dangerous ex-Vatican guard working as Cynthia's bodyguard. He is also working for Cardinal McKinley and Bishop Valero. After a fight with Luke he develops a deep hatred for the Gargoyle of the River District.

Paul, Kevin, and Fred

These gangsters are responsible for many break-ins as well as an assault on Father Harris. Paul; a slim, quick tempered and gun happy criminal, Kevin; a chubby, sloppy, foul mouth individual and Fred; big and dumb yet still a threat. These men find themselves working for Cecil Bianchi and become involved in a kidnapping. They will have more than one encounter with the gargoyle.

Jeffrey Hollister

Jeffrey is a staff newspaper reporter who becomes determined to uncover the identity of the mysterious Gargoyle of the River District before he retires. Luke must avoid letting his identity be known.

Ser Arnold Ravier

A commander of secret Templar Knights dispatched from France to the United States. His task is to retrieve a holy relic, known as the Volto, which was hidden centuries earlier within the catacombs beneath Saint Matthew's Cathedral.

Police Lieutenant Keifer

He is the younger brother of Sister Elizabeth and an officer for the Chicago Police. He loves his sister and serves as a key element in the arrest of Cardinal McKinley and his band of evil doers.

Samuel (Sam)

A street vagrant rescued by Luke. An old chatty character that smokes and drinks what he can find. Although a rather skittish man, he puts his trust in Luke but he can't help but to have concern for the young monk's safety.

Lucinda (Spooky)

Spooky is a lovely and very alert Latino woman that befriends Luke. Many years earlier she had a good job in a medical clinic but now she is homeless and sees herself as a motherly figure for her band of misfits.

Jasper

Jasper is a street vagrant that hangs with Spooky and Sam. This elderly black man stays in the shadows due to his fear of the creatures that lurk in the darkness of the alleys. He has good reason to be fearful.

Doctor Patterson

The doctor is a former civilian research scientist for the military. He was fired long before Luke was born due to his unethical practices. After establishing a secret laboratory he continued his unlawful research. Luke suspects that there is a connection between the doctor and his biological father. It's a connection that proves to be all too real.

The Wolf Man (a.k.a. Carl Norris)

Spooky refers to him as 'Fur Face' and after his attack on Sam she isn't at all fond of the mutant man. Following a violent altercation with the Sky Devil, Luke saves Carl from dying using the mystical power of the Volto. The two become friends and the Wolf Man helps Luke make a very dangerous connection with the Sky Devil.

The Sky Devil (a.k.a. Joe Taylor)

He was Doctor Patterson's first experiment after being dismissed from the military. Joe escaped the doctor's lab approximately twenty years before he met Luke. The mutant is dangerous and having mental problems resulting from the genetic alterations. Luke will attempt to reach out to this dangerous being as he searches for his biological father.

The Lizard Man (a.k.a. Larry Crothers)

Dr. Patterson will develop a mutant weapon to bring down the Gargoyle of the River District. A controllable mutated athlete with a strong ego is a project he's been working on for Aaron McKinley. With Luke out of the way the ex-cardinal hopes to acquire the sacred Volto. Larry likes his newly acquired strength and speed all too much.

Crazy Tamika

Tamika's body and mind have been ravished by years of drug abuse but Spooky and her little group have taken her in as part of their little street family. This is a rather crusty character with a hoarse voice and wacky grin that adds a bit of humor to an otherwise dark tale.

Mr. Fāng

Luke encounters Mr. Fāng quite by accident. This elderly Asian man knows the history of the gargoyle and the Infinity Rod. He will share what he knows with Luke then afterward he will issue a puzzling poem that depicts a horrifying future for young Luke.

General Cartwright

After rolling into Chicago with a large military unit the general is destined to meet Luke. Without Luke's help the general would have a difficult time containing the terror that is moving about in the darkness of the city. Later he will reluctantly betray Luke's trust.

Linda Chamberlain

Linda is a staff reporter for the newspaper and Jeffrey Hollister's grand-daughter. After Jeffrey's retirement Luke sought her out in regards to the military's activity within the city. Just as Luke is beginning to have feelings for her something goes very wrong in Luke's life. Linda will find herself in desperate peril for the beast will stalk her!

Kruban

Kruban is a very clever and blood thirsty symbiote that resided within an ancient weapon that once belonged to Genghis Kahn. Luke found this weapon among the relics within the catacombs beneath the cathedral. Kruban was awakened the day Luke began to twirl the Infinity Rod. It is he that the young monk refers to as *the beast*.