

Portrait of Father as Always in Exorcism

never fist-to-jaw / never belt-in-a-fist / never broken fist or
fist in cold steak / only threat fist / memory fist / ghost fist of
his father's fist / fist convulsing in the holy water / fist
constantly vomiting sweat / fist frying itself on the rosary /
fist praying to be a merciful fist / fist heart-shaped & pale /
fist of impossibly possible desire / fist of cannibalistic
tendency / hungry hungry hungrier fist / goddamn damnable
fist / no-need no-good fist / the *spoiled spoiling spoiler* fist /
I'll show you fist / prank fist always retreating / fist standing
at the edge of a restraining order / fist standing at the edge of
my luck / one fist two fist red fist soon fist / even the
doorknob looks like a fist / a fist the clod of each footstep / a
dropped-box fist / & every fist I wanted to be the final fist /
fist on the steering wheel doing donuts / table fist
punchlining a joke / fist holding the clean string of a good
mylar balloon / fist teaching me how to make a good fist /
fist on the back of a bicycle just before he lets go