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Prayers & marriage over



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He was the high priest of deception and the much-married Vijay Joseph had spun his guile on four ladies and their families — until the last one ripped his mask off.

The 40-year-old self-styled pastor was arrested last week when Pamela, his fourth wife of over five months, realised that she was merely one of those who had walked into his marital trap since his first target almost

20 years back.

Police said Vijay would visit homes to offer prayers claiming he was a pastor and a bachelor, befriend the family and lure them into giving away their daughters in marriage.

Vijay had married Rani Mary of Coimbatore in 1989, Rajani in 1994 and Jayanthi in 2007 and Pamela, a resident of Bangalore's Shantinagar, on September 11, 2007.