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Turns out this is highly locale-specific:

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Priest%E2%80%93penitent_privilege#Clergy%E2%80%93penitent_privilege_and_mandated_reporting
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- <https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubPDFs/clergymandated.pdf>

But even in recent times priests have chosen death rather than violating the seal of confessional, whereas government simply has chosen to surveil the confessors. This seems like a good historic overview:
<http://www.ncregister.com/blog/fatherlandry/your-priest-is-ready-to-die-for-you-to-protect-the-seal-of-confession/>
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Saint Mateo Correa Magallanes -- pray for u=!

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