

## Today's Martyrs – March 1918

**Sunday March 3, 1918**



### **Iran: Salmas**

Patriarch Shimun XXI Benyamin (aged 30, **assassinated** along with 150 of his bodyguards by Ottoman forces while under a flag of truce during the Assyrian Genocide)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shimun\\_XXI\\_Benyamin](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shimun_XXI_Benyamin)

**Thursday March 7, 1918**



### **Russia: Ust-Labinsk village, Kuban region**

Fr Mikhail Mikhailovich Lisitsin (aged 55, husband, arrested by the Bolsheviks, tortured for three days)

<http://www.pravoslavie.ru/english/103235.htm>

**Sunday March 10, 1918**



### **Belarus: Landskorona**

Fr Jan Bikszys (aged 48, **murdered** by the Bolsheviks)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0123>

**Monday March 11, 1918**



**Russia: Ust-Labinsk village, Kuban region**

Fr Mikhail Mikhailovich Lisitsin (aged 55, husband, arrested by the Bolsheviks on [March 7, 1918](#), tortured for three days; **UPDATE: killed**, the Bolsheviks forbade his burial but his widow was able to purchase his body for burial)

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**Saturday March 23, 1918**



**Iran: Urmia**

Mar Shimun XXI Paulos (aged 37, brother of Patriarch Shimun XXI Benyamin, succeeded his brother as Patriarch after his assassination)

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shimun\\_XXII\\_Paulos](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shimun_XXII_Paulos)

**Saturday March 30, 1918**



**Portugal: Balazar**

Alexandrina Maria da Costa (aged 14, seamstress, jumped from a window to escape rape, suffered paralysis as a result, became bedridden and devoted herself to a life of prayer)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandrina\\_Maria\\_da\\_Costa](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandrina_Maria_da_Costa)

**Sunday March 31, 1918**

**Easter [Pascha] – Western Calendar**

**March 1918, date unknown**



**Russia: Novgorod**

Metropolitan Andrey Sheptytsky OSBM (aged 52, brother of Archimandrite Klymentiy Sheptytsky, arrested by invading Russian troops in [Lviv](#) in [September 1914](#), sent to Russia; **UPDATE**: freed, returned to Lviv, later put under house arrest by invading Poles)

[https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andrey\\_Sheptytsky](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andrey_Sheptytsky)  
<http://www.ukemonde.com/sheptytskyi/index.html>