Today's Martyrs – 1931 – unknown month



Russia

Fr Nikolay Ivanovich Tsvetkov (aged 52, arrested by the Bolsheviks in 1918 in Volokolamsk, sentenced to forced labor, cleaned toilets and operated a horse-drawn septic wagon; held in Lefortovo Prison in Moscow beginning in 1923; released in 1929, had spent 2 years in solitary; **UPDATE**: arrested, sent to Mariana camp)

Russia: Alatay, Taurida province

George Kolsch (aged 53, seminary graduate, husband, father of six, investigated, not convicted)

Russia: Crimea

Joseph Erler (farmer, arrested in 1930 for non-payment of taxes, sentenced to 20 months of forced labor; **UPDATE**: arrested for 'systematic receipt and disbursement of monies from fascist organizations in Germany', said organizations were Christian charities)

Russia: Josefstal, Mariental region, Samara oblast

Fr Johannes Falkenstein (aged 45, arrested)

Russia: Leningrad

Frants Golembiewski (aged 29, handicraftsman, arrested)

Russia: Moscow

Aleksandra Kachalova (aged 46, translator, arrested, released after two weeks)

Fr Anton Gapoian (possibly arrested in 1929, held in Butyrka Prison; **UPDATE**: released)

Nina Bykova (aged 24, convert, arrested, sentenced to 3 years' internal exile)

Russia: outside Pinega, Arkhangelsk oblast

Fr Leonid Fedorov (aged 52, arrested in Mogilev, Belarus on August 10, 1926, transported to Lubyanka Prison in Moscow; sentenced on September 18, 1926 to 3 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; released on August 13, 1929, exiled; **UPDATE**: arrested in the beginning of 1931, held in Arkhangelsk Prison for six months, in the autumn sent on internal exile to Kotlas, Arkhangelsk oblast)

Russia: Slavgorod, Saratov oblast

Fr Adam Desch (aged 50, arrested, convicted, sentenced to 3 years' internal exile in Siberia)

Russia: Solovetsky Special Purpose Camp

Fr Ludwig Erk (aged 35, arrested in Slavhorod on September 8, 1929; convicted on March 23, 1930, sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a camp; **UPDATE**: transferred to Anzer Island)

Fr Wincenty Dejnis (aged 51, arrested in Leningrad on February 5, 1928 on charges of 'teaching religious doctrine to young, under-age children, leading an illegal monastery and collecting funds for aiding convicted priests'; sentenced on August 13, 1928 to 7 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: transferred to Anzer Island)

Russia: Yaroslavl

Fr Stanislaw Borecki (aged 40, arrested in Belopole on January 15, 1930; sentenced on May 12, 1930 to 5 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: transferred to Solovetsky Special Purpose Camp prior to December)

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Ukraine

Fr Emmanuel Kaplonowski (aged 59, arrested in Zwanczyk in 1922 on a charge of 'resisting the seizure of church valuables', soon released, arrested again in 1922 and released; arrested in Stara Uszyca in March 1930; UPDATE: sentenced to 3 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Ukhtpechlag)

Ukraine: Belogrodka

Fr Adolf Kaszczyc (aged 43, arrested in 1927 for 'squandering public money', sentenced to 3 months' forced labor; **UPDATE**: arrested on counter-revolutionary charges, indictment recommended a sentence of 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, fate unknown)

Ukraine: Kiev

Richard Jasinski (aged 33, polisher, investigated for anti-Soviet activity in 1928, not convicted; again investigated in 1930 for anti-Soviet activity, not convicted; **UPDATE**: again investigated for anti-Soviet activity, not convicted)

Stanislawa Lepesowecka (aged 43, artist, factory worker, **UPDATE**: arrested, released)

Ukraine: Zinkiv

Stefan Jakubicki (arrested, sentenced to possibly 5 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Solovetsky)

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