

Today's Martyrs – June 1933

Saturday June 3, 1933



Vatican City

Pope Pius XI aka Ambrogio Damiano Achille Ratti (aged 76, **UPDATE:** issued the encyclical *Dilectissima Nobis* [*Most Dear to Us*] which condemned the Spanish government's persecution of the Catholic Church, wrote that its actions were an "offence not only to Religion and the Church, but also to those declared principles of civil liberty on which the new Spanish regime declares it bases itself")

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dilectissima_Nobis

Tuesday June 27, 1933



Russia: Tomsk

Fr Mateusz Brynczak (aged 69, arrested with a group of parishioners in [Belilovka, Ukraine](#) in 1930, sentenced to 3 years' internal exile; arrested on [April 25, 1931](#); released in [March 1932](#) for lack of evidence; arrested on [February 9, 1933](#) on espionage and 'religious propaganda' charges, admitted he had performed baptisms; **UPDATE:** sentenced to 3 years' internal exile to Eastern Siberia)

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June 1933, date unknown



Iraq: Bagdad

Patriarch Eshai Shimun XXIII (aged 25, elected patriarch of the Assyrian Church of the East in Iraq in 1920, **UPDATE**: invited to participate in negotiations regarding possible Assyrian autonomy, arrested after he refused to renounce temporal authority)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Simele_massacre

Y.C.P.P.

Ukraine: Kiev

Zygmunt Lepasowecki (aged 55, office worker, arrested in Kiev, Ukraine on February 16, 1929, and sent into 3 years' internal exile to Siberia; arrested in Mariinsk, Russia in May 1929; transferred to Kiev on March 1, 1930, sentenced to 3 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, returned to Kiev upon release; arrested in April 1933; **UPDATE**: released)

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