

Today's Martyrs – August 1938

Monday August 1, 1938



Germany: Dachau Concentration Camp

Hans Karl Zessner-Spitzenberg (aged 53, attorney, professor, husband of Elisabeth, father of six, Austrian national, arrested in [Vienna](#) on [March 12, 1938](#) for his anti-Nazi views; transferred to [Dachau](#) on [July 15, 1938](#); **UPDATE:** [died from overwork and lack of medical care](#))

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hans_Karl_Ze%C3%9Fner-Spitzenberg - with translation
<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/year/1938.htm>

Wednesday August 3, 1938



Russia: Butovo firing range, outside Moscow

Fr Peter G Golubev (arrested in [Petrovo-dalnee village, Krasnogorsk district](#) on [March 22, 1938](#), interrogated, later transferred to [Moscow](#); sentenced to death on [July 6, 1938](#); **UPDATE:** [shot dead](#))

http://www.martyr.ru/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=643:03-21-&catid=4:commonnews&Itemid=1 - with translation



Germany: Dachau concentration camp

Fr Andreas Rieser (aged 30, Austrian national, arrested in [Dorfgastein](#) on [June 23, 1938](#); **UPDATE:** arrived, later was forced to make and wear a crown of barbed wire, Jewish inmates were then forced to strike and spit on him)

https://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Andreas_Rieser – with translation

Thursday August 4, 1938



Spain: Montjuic, Barcelona

Ignasi Trias Bertran (aged 19, killed)

<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/martyrs/MSPC51.htm>

Monday August 8, 1938



Russia: Sevvostoklag labor camp

Fr Emmanuil Bader (aged 47, arrested in 1930, released; arrested in 1935 in the Volga German ASSR, sentenced to a labor camp; **UPDATE**: convicted and shot dead the same day)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0048>

Wednesday August 10, 1938



Russia: Belbaltlag labor camp, Kem camp sector

Fr Aleksander Bilakiewicz (aged 66, husband, father, arrested in Kazatin, Vinnytsia oblast, Ukraine on August 20, 1935; sentenced on January 12, 1936 to 7 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: died after being visited by family and parishioners)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0124>

Thursday August 11, 1938



Spain: Montjuic, Barcelona

Joan Lisbona Valls (aged 24, killed)

Lluis Arbos Batista (aged 19, killed)

<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/martyrs/MSPC51.htm>

Wednesday August 25, 1938



Austria: Sankt Kanzian am Klopeiner, Volkermarkt

Fr Vinko Poljanc (aged 62, died)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Austria.htm

Friday August 27, 1938



Russia: Leningrad

Gabriella Aleksandrova (aged 64, parish council president, arrested for allowing parishioners to enter the closed church, fate unknown)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0014>

August 1938, date unknown



Germany: Rottenburg

Bishop Johannes Baptista Sproll (apartment stormed by Nazis on [June 23, 1938](#); **UPDATE:**
forced into internal exile in late August)

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