

Today's Martyrs – October 1938

Sunday October 2, 1938



Russia: Sibltag labor camp, Novosibirsk

Marian Galiszewski (aged 40, arrested in [Vinnitsia oblast](#) in [December 1934](#); sentenced to 3 years' imprisonment in a labor camp on [April 23, 1935](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to death and **shot dead**)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0809>

Wednesday October 5, 1938



Spain: Manresa, Barcelona

Casimir Vila i Vila (aged 32, husband, **killed**)

<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/martyrs/MSPC59.htm>

Saturday October 8, 1938



China: Changzhi village, Yuanqu, Shanxi province

Fr Aemilianus Van Heel OFM (aged 31, Dutch citizen, **killed** by Japanese troops after he protected women from rape)

<http://www.fides.org/en/news/62530->

[ASIA CHINA The testimony of a young Dutch missionary killed at 31 years of a ge to rescue Chinese displaced persons is still alive#.WVJdmevyuM9](#)



Ukraine: Bila Tserkva Prison

Frants Brodovsky (aged 37, church organist, arrested in [Stavishche, Tarashcha district, Kiev province](#) on [May 20, 1938](#), later sentenced to death; **UPDATE:** [shot dead](#))

Ukraine: Kiev

Antoni Janiszewski (sentenced to death on [September 30, 1938](#); **UPDATE:** [shot dead](#))

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0169>

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1708>

Sunday October 9, 1938



Russia

Anna Brilliantova (aged 29, biology student, arrested in [Moscow](#) on [July 27, 1933](#) on false charges of plotting to kill Stalin; sentenced on [February 19, 1934](#) to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to [Solovetsky Special Purpose Camp](#) where she married Kerim Kaziyev and gave birth to Teimur Kaziyev on [April 19, 1936](#); sent to prison in [1937](#); **UPDATE:** sentenced to death)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0168>



Germany: Sontheim

Church service disrupted by Nazis, worshippers were threatened with being pelted with pieces of wood during their arrival

Pastor Theophil Brendle (aged 40, church bulletin banned by the Nazis for six months in [1935](#) in [Vaihingen an der Enz](#) after writing criticism of their control of and interference in the churches and quoting Galatians "...false brethren unawares brought in, who came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us into bondage?"; **UPDATE:** homily drowned out by Brown Shirts and others who had surrounded his church and blew horns and sang Nazi songs)

Georg Ziefle (aged 37, husband of Maria Ziefle, father of Reinhold, Ruth, and Kurt, sewing machine salesman, attempted to confront the Nazis but was restrained by his wife)

Maria Ziefle (aged 39, wife of Georg Ziefle, mother of Reinhold, Ruth, and Kurt, expectant mother of Helmut, sister of Wilhelm Glaser, homemaker)

Reinhold Ziefle (aged 13, son of Georg and Maria Ziefle, attended church rather than attend a Hitler Youth meeting with his brother Kurt)

Ruth Ziefle (aged 10, daughter of Georg and Maria Ziefle)

[https://openlibrary.org/books/OL25942190M/One Woman Against the Reich](https://openlibrary.org/books/OL25942190M/One_Woman_Against_the_Reich) - pages 25-28

Saturday October 15, 1938



Germany: Dachau concentration camp

Fr Konrad Just OC (aged 36; **UPDATE**: fed once only every fourth day, ate soap, was tempted to eat his own feces)

http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?from=de&to=en&a=http%3A%2F%2Fde.wikipedia.org%2Fwiki%2FKonrad_Just

Wednesday October 19, 1938



Germany: Dachau concentration camp

Fr Konrad Just OC (aged 36; **UPDATE**: severely beaten)

http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?from=de&to=en&a=http%3A%2F%2Fde.wikipedia.org%2Fwiki%2FKonrad_Just

Monday October 24, 1938



Austria: Vienna

Cardinal Theodor Innitzer (aged 63, reported to have said in a homily to youth "in the last few months you have lost everything!" and "There is just one Fuhrer: Jesus Christ")

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

Tuesday October 25, 1938



Austria: Vienna

Cardinal Theodor Innitzer (aged 63, reported to have said in an [October 24, 1938](#) homily to youth "in the last few months you have lost everything!" and "There is just one Fuhrer: Jesus Christ"; **UPDATE:** a Nazi mob including older Hitler Youth invaded the cathedral grounds and ransacked his residence)

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

Thursday October 27, 1938



Russia: Moscow

Olga Semenovna Koshelev (aged 64, wife of Andrey Koshelev, mother, arrested, sent to Taganka prison, interrogated)

<http://remnantrocor.blogspot.com/2017/03/martyr-olga-koshelev-1939.html>

Saturday October 29, 1938



Ukraine: Kiev

Eugenia Lasznjukowa (aged 47, former nun, underground religious teacher, arrested in 1929, released after 9 months; arrested on July 9, 1938; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, fate unknown)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0434>

October 1938, date unknown



Germany: Gransee

Fr Albert Willimsky (arrested by the Gestapo for anti-Nazi remarks)

Germany: Sontheim

Wilhelm Glaser (husband of Paula Glaser, brother of Maria Ziefle, arrested by the Gestapo in late October 1938 for saying "Hitler is a scoundrel" at his place of employment, committed to a hospital for the insane)

Paula Glaser (wife of Wilhelm Glaser, told by her husband's foreman after his arrest "Everyone must be sacrificed for the Party")

Georg Ziefle (aged 37, husband of Maria Ziefle, brother-in-law of Wilhelm Glaser, attempted to confront the Nazis during their October 9, 1938 assault on his church but was restrained by his wife; **UPDATE**: said to Maria when he heard the news of Wilhelm Glaser's arrest "Animals! Germany is being governed by animals!")

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

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL25942190M/One_Woman_Against_the_Reich - pages 38-42



Spain: at the Belcaire front, Balaguer, Lleida

Br Constantino Puebla Barcenilla FMS (aged 19, killed)

Br Pablo Linares Gil FMS (aged 19, killed)

<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/martyrs/MSPC11.htm>