

Today's Martyrs – August 1941

Friday August 1, 1941



Germany: Dachau Concentration Camp

Fr Carl Lampert (aged 47, arrested in [Innsbruck, Austria](#) on [August 25, 1940](#) and sent to [Dachau](#) for publishing an obituary on the death of Fr Otto Neuruer; sent to [Sachsenhausen](#) on [September 1, 1940](#); sent to [Dachau](#) on [December 15, 1940](#); **UPDATE:** freed)

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

Sunday August 3, 1941



Germany: Munster

Bishop Clemens August Graf von Galen (aged 63, **UPDATE:** delivered a homily condemning the desecration of churches, the closing of convents and monasteries, and the euthanasia of the ill and infirm adding that the euthanasia campaign could be extended to returning war veterans)

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

<http://todayismartyrs.org/pdf/Documents/1941-08-03%20Homily%20by%20Bishop%20von%20Galen%20.pdf>

Wednesday August 6, 1941



Russia: Norilsk camp

Fr Jozef Borodziula (aged 48, arrested in [Arkangelsk](#), sentenced on [May 29, 1935](#) to 3 years' imprisonment a labor camp, began work in [September 1937](#) as a medical assistant in a hospital at [Kolargon Station, Norilsk camp](#); **UPDATE:** sentenced to 10 additional years'

imprisonment, transferred to Kraslag labor camp, Tugachinsk section, Krasnoyarsk region)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0151>

Friday August 8, 1941



Uzbekistan: Samarkand

Fr Robert Glassner (aged 56, arrested in [Dehler, Saratov province, Russia](#) on [February 2, 1930](#) on counter-revolutionary charges; sentenced on [June 6, 1931](#) in [Yaroslavl Prison](#) to 3 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; released from [Karltag](#) in [1934](#), sent into internal exile; arrested on [July 5, 1941](#) on anti-Soviet agitation charges; **UPDATE**: sentenced to death)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0841>

Saturday August 9, 1941



Germany: Brandenburg an der Havel, Brandenburg

Ernst Volkmann (aged 39, Austrian, husband, **died**)

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

Tuesday August 12, 1941



Russia: Gryazovets camp, Vologda oblast

Fr Nikodem Dubrawka (aged 39, arrested in [Poland](#) earlier in [1941](#); **UPDATE**: amnestied as a Polish citizen, released, became an assistant chaplain in the Polish Armed Forces of the East)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0935>



Czech Republic: Pankrac prison

Fr Vaclav Celestin Sulc OH (aged 50, arrested by the Gestapo on [May 14, 1941](#); **UPDATE**: transferred to Theresienstadt concentration camp)

<http://www.ustrcr.cz/cs/vaclav-celestin-sulc> - with translation

Thursday August 14, 1941



Poland: Auschwitz concentration camp

Fr Maximilian Maria Kolbe OFM Conv aka Raymund Kolbe (aged 47, transferred to [Auschwitz](#) on [May 28, 1941](#); on [July 31, 1941](#) had volunteered to take the place of a condemned man in a starvation cell; **UPDATE**: **killed with a lethal injection**)

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

Thursday August 21, 1941



Russia: Gryazovets POW camp, Vologda oblast

Fr Jozef Bednarczyk (aged 39, Polish army chaplain, arrested late [1939](#) and sent to a camp; **UPDATE**: amnestied, became a chaplain for the Polish Armed Forces in the East)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0092>



Poland: Biegonice, Nowy Sacz

Fr Tadeusz Kaczmarczyk (aged 32, **died**)

Fr Wladyslaw Deszcz (aged 26, U.S. citizen, **killed** for giving baptismal certificates to Jews)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Poland1.htm

<http://college.holycross.edu/faculty/vlapomar/hiatt/opponent.htm>

Friday August 22, 1941



Poland: Biegonice, Nowy Sacz

Fr Jozef Bardel (aged 57, **shot dead**)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Poland1.htm

Monday August 25, 1941



Russia: Gryazovets POW camp

Fr Stefan Kiwinski (aged 39, Polish citizen, arrested in 1940, sent to a POW camp in **Polonde**, outside **Wilkowishiai**; transferred to the **Kozelsk POW camp in Russia** on **June 13, 1941**, and later to the **Gryazovets POW camp**; **UPDATE**: amnestied, released, joined the Polish Armed Forces of the East as a military chaplain)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1025>

Saturday August 30, 1941



Italy: Rome

Pope Pius XII aka Eugenio Maria Giuseppe Giovanni Pacelli (aged 65, **UPDATE**: reported to have been attacked by Fascists while in the city to say Mass, automobile surrounded and rocked while the Fascists shouted "Death to the Pope!")

https://openlibrary.org/works/OL17318218W/Church_of_Spies

August 1941, date unknown



Russia: Sevvostoklag labor camp, Magadan oblast

Fr Jan Cibor (aged 43, arrested by the Soviets in [Turka, outside Stryi, Poland](#) on [December 4, 1939](#); transferred to [Starobelsk POW camp](#) in 1940; transferred to [Sevvostoklag](#) on [June 15, 1941](#); **UPDATE**: amnestied, joined the Polish Armed Forces of the East as a military chaplain)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1512>



Poland

Fr Steven Abt (aged 43, arrested, sent to Posen concentration camp)

<http://www.swzygmunt.knc.pl/MARTYROLOGIUM/POLISHRELIGIOUS/vENGLISH/HTMs/POLISHRELIGIOUSmartyr0003.htm>



Germany

Fr Friedrich Karas (aged 45, Austrian national, arrested in [June 1941](#), **UPDATE**: transferred to Dachau)

Germany: Oberschwarzach

Fr Joseph Georg Simon Hafner OCDS (aged 40, banned in 1938 from teaching religious education due to his anti-Nazi views; **UPDATE:** arrested for asking a Nazi on his deathbed to acknowledge that his second civil marriage was invalid, held in Wurzburg)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Georg_H%C3%A4fner

http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-US&dl=en&lp=DE_EN&a=http%3a%2f%2fde.wikipedia.org%2fwiki%2fFriedrich_Karas