

Today's Martyrs – March 1946

Sunday March 3, 1946



Ukraine: Lviv

Bishop Nikolay Charnetsky CSSR (aged 61, arrested on [April 11, 1945](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp in Siberia)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1508>

Monday March 4, 1946



Albania: Shkoder

Eight priests were taken from prison to a cemetery by Communists and shot

Fr Daniel Dajani SJ (aged 39, Italian citizen, seminary rector, arrested on war crimes and espionage charges on [December 31, 1945](#), tortured; sentenced to death on [February 22, 1946](#); **UPDATE**: **shot dead**)

Fr Giovanni Fausti SJ (aged 47, Italian citizen, arrested on war crimes and espionage charges on [December 31, 1945](#), tortured; sentenced to death on [February 22, 1946](#); **UPDATE**: **shot dead**)

Gjelosh Lulashi (aged 20, **shot dead**)

Fr Kole Shllaku OFM (aged 39, sentenced to death on [February 22, 1946](#); **UPDATE**: **shot dead**)

Mark Cuni (aged 27, seminarian, **shot dead**)

Qerim Sadiku (aged 27, **shot dead**)

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

https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Dajani - with translation

<http://www.ncregister.com/blog/tcraughwell/fr.-giovanni-fausti-martyred-by-the-communists>

Wednesday March 6, 1946



Ukraine: Zhytomyr

Fr Bronislaw Drzepecki (aged 40, arrested by the Germans in 1944 in Lutsk, taken to Lubin, later released; arrested by the Soviets on [January 10, 1945](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0242>

Saturday March 9, 1946



Ukraine: Lviv

Fr Dionizy Kajetanowicz (aged 68, arrested on [November 27, 1945](#) after refusing to join the Orthodox church; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Stalinsk oblast)

Fr Wiktor Kwapinski (aged 62, arrested early in 1941 in Lviv, survived the mass shootings in [Kiev Prison](#) in [June 1941](#) following the German invasion, returned to Lviv and resumed his ministry; arrested in 1945; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0981>

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1071>

Tuesday March 12, 1946



Vietnam: Tac Say, Can Tho

Fr Francois Xavier Truong Buu Diep (arrested by the Vietminh along with 60 parishioners, **offered his own life** in exchange for their release)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/The-soon-to-be-Saint-Father-Diep,-Vietnamese-priest-and-martyr-honored-even-by-non-Christians-32955.html>

Monday March 18, 1946



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Russia: Inta, Komi

Fr Juozas Rakickas MIC (aged 39, Lithuanian national, **killed**)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Lithuania2.htm

Saturday March 23, 1946



Albania: Shkrel

Fr Nikole Gazulli (aged 50, **killed** by Communists)

https://sq.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nikollë_Gazulli - with translation

Wednesday March 27, 1946



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Ukraine: Ternopil

Fr Adolf Iwancow (aged 36, arrested in **1945**; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 4 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0972>

Sunday March 31, 1946

Resumption of the Chinese Civil War

March 1946, date unknown