

## Today's Martyrs – May 1946

**Sunday May 5, 1946**



### **Germany – Allied Control Council**

Fr Lothar Konig SJ (aged 40, **died of stomach cancer**, the cancer had gone untreated after he went into hiding due to his involvement in the plot to assassinate Hitler)

<http://www.gdw-berlin.de/nc/en/recess/biographies/biographie/view-bio/koenig/>

**Monday May 6, 1946**



### **Ukraine: Kiev**

Fr Alexander Ben (aged 35, arrested in [Zhytomyr](#) on [January 26, 1945](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

### **Ukraine: Lutsk**

Fr Karol Galezowski (aged 66, arrested in [1945](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Karlag)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0108>

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0286>

**Saturday May 11, 1946**



### **Ukraine: Lviv**

Fr Volodymyr Figol (aged 34, arrested on [July 26, 1945](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0961>

**Sunday May 12, 1946**



**Poland: Ploki**

Fr Michal Rapacz (aged 41, dragged from his rectory by 20 Communist militia, beaten and **shot dead**)

[https://pl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Micha%C5%82\\_Rapacz](https://pl.wikipedia.org/wiki/Micha%C5%82_Rapacz) - with translation

**Tuesday May 14, 1946**



**Ukraine: Ternopil**

Fr Adolf Iwancow (aged 36, arrested in 1945; sentenced on **March 27, 1946** to 4 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: sent to Pechorlag, later transferred to Kraslag)

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

**Wednesday May 15, 1946**



**Russia: Butyrka Prison, Moscow**

Fr Alexander Deibner (aged 47, son of Fr Johannes and Marie Panet Deibner, brother of Ivan Deibner, Russian citizen, taken from **Prague, Czech Republic** to **Berlin** in 1943, forced to work as a translator, left **Berlin** in 1945; captured in **Prague** by the Soviets on **July 12, 1945**, arrested and sent to **Butyrka Prison, Moscow**; indicted on **October 8, 1945**; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, later **died in prison**)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0913>

**Thursday May 16, 1946**



**Croatia: Gospic**

Sr Julijana Ivasic (aged 37, sentenced to death by hanging in a trial begun on [February 7, 1946](#) for allegedly treating Ustashi patients in her hospital ahead of Communist partisan patients; **UPDATE**: **shot dead**)

[https://hr.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C5%BDarka\\_Ivasi%C4%87](https://hr.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C5%BDarka_Ivasi%C4%87) - with translation

**Tuesday May 21, 1946**



**Kazakhstan: Karlag labor camp, Karaganda oblast**

Fr Karol Galezowski (aged 67, arrested in [1945](#); sentenced in [Lutsk, Ukraine](#) on [May 6, 1946](#) to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: released from imprisonment but denied the right to leave)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0286>

**Friday May 24, 1946**



**Russia: Vorkutlag labor camp**

Fr Antoni Ciechonski (aged 58, arrested in [Vilnius, Lithuania](#) on [August 15, 1945](#) and sent to Vorkutlag without trial; **UPDATE**: appealed, granted an early release, returned to Vilnius)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1503>

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