

Today's Martyrs – August 1949

Thursday August 11, 1949



China: Chola, Sichuan province

Fr Maurice Tornay CRSA (aged 38, Swiss citizen, expelled from his parish in Pame, Tibet on January 26, 1946 by the local llamas, left the country; **UPDATE**: shot dead while attempting to re-enter Tibet)

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

Wednesday August 17, 1949



Russia: Kaluga

Sr Raisa Krylevskaya OP (aged 53, arrested on espionage charges on November 30, 1948; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Vorkutlag)

Sr Sophia Eismont OP (aged 49, arrested on November 30, 1948; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 year's imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Tayshetlag, later transferred to Angarlag)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0250>

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0423>



Belarus: Grodno

Fr Boleslaw Krasodonski (aged 69, arrested)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1117>

Wednesday August 24, 1949



Lithuania

Fr Vatslav Bekish (aged 44, arrested in [Zhirmuny, Lida, Vilnius](#) on [May 12, 1949](#); **UPDATE:** sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Peschanlag)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0100>

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Romania

Bishop Ioan Ploscaru (aged 37, arrested, would spend many years in prison, eventually released)

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