

## Today's Martyrs – March 1950

**Monday March 13, 1950**



### **Poland: Warsaw**

Sr Zofia Luszczykiewicz (aged 52, arrested in [Wadowice](#) on August 27, 1948 for aiding an anti-Communist politician, tortured; convicted in [Warsaw](#) on espionage and 'attempting to change the state system' charges on [November 23, 1949](#), sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment, the prosecutor appealed and obtained a death sentence; **UPDATE:** sentence commuted to life imprisonment)

<http://www.wmpp.org.pl%2Fpl%2Fwzorce-osobowe%2F%25C5%2582uszczkiewicz-izabela-zofia-s.html&usg=AFQjCNFPE4nM8FDK0mEQmf1OKOZiHXG1Xg&sig2=WjUnLH2RVZ-QmmrxksAcyA> - with translation

**Thursday March 16, 1950**



### **Czechoslovakia**

Fr Josef Braitto OP (aged 51, arrested)

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Silvestr\\_Braitto](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Silvestr_Braitto) - with translation

**Saturday March 18, 1950**



### **Czechoslovakia**

Fr Frantisek Silhan SJ (aged 45, arrested)

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%25A1ek\\_%25A0ilhan](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%25A1ek_%25A0ilhan) - with translation

**Thursday March 30, 1950**



**Russia: Siblag labor camp**

Olga Fitsner (aged 65, office worker, arrested in [Moscow](#) on [January 15, 1934](#); sentenced on [February 12, 1934](#) to 5 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; released on [December 2, 1937](#) from [Bamlag labor camp, Amur region](#), exiled to [Adygea ASSR](#); arrested on [February 20, 1940](#); sentenced on [August 17, 1940](#) to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: released, exiled to Novosibirsk oblast, fate unknown)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0269>



**Belarus: Pelikany, outside Vidzy**

Fr Stanislaw Bogatkiewicz (aged 44, arrested on [January 10, 1950](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0137>

**Friday March 31, 1950**



**Czechoslovakia**

**Trial begun on charges of treason and espionage**

Fr Adolf Kajpr SJ (aged 47, arrested in [1941](#) by the Nazis, held in Terezin, Mauthausen and Dachau concentration camps; arrested [March 1950](#))

Fr Augustin Machalka CCOP (aged 43, had spent three years' in German concentration camps, arrested in [early 1950](#))

Fr Bohumil Vít Tajovsky CCOP (aged 38, arrested in [January 1950](#))

Fr Frantisek Silhan SJ (aged 45, arrested [March 18, 1950](#))

Fr Frantisek Mikulasek SJ (aged 35, arrested [March 1950](#))

Fr Ivan Mastiliak CSSR (aged 38)

Fr Jan Blesik CSSR (aged 40, arrested [March 1950](#))

Fr Jan Evangelista Urban OFM (aged 49)

Fr Josef Braitto OP (aged 51, arrested [March 16, 1950](#))

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adolf\\_Kajpr](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Adolf_Kajpr) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Augustin\\_Machalka](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Augustin_Machalka) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bohumil\\_V%C3%ADt\\_Tajovsk%C3%BD](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bohumil_V%C3%ADt_Tajovsk%C3%BD) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%C5%A1ek\\_%C5%A0ilhan](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%C5%A1ek_%C5%A0ilhan) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%C5%A1ek\\_Mikul%C3%A1%C5%A1ek](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Franti%C5%A1ek_Mikul%C3%A1%C5%A1ek) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ivan\\_Mastiliak](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ivan_Mastiliak) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jan\\_Bles%C3%ADk](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jan_Bles%C3%ADk) - with translation

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jan\\_Evangelista\\_Urban](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jan_Evangelista_Urban) - with translation

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**March 1950, date unknown**