

Today's Martyrs – February 1952

Wednesday February 13, 1952



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Russia: Ozerstroi labor camp, near Tayshet, Irkutsk oblast

Archimandrite Andrzej Cikoto MIC (aged 61, Lithuanian national, arrested by Chinese authorities in Harbin in December 1948, handed over to the Soviet MGB, later sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE: died** in the camp hospital)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1401>

Saturday February 16, 1952



Czechoslovakia: Mírov, Sumperk

Br Josef Hartl OH (aged 49, arrested by the StB on September 24, 1948 for anti-communist activities; sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment on treason charges in October 1948; **UPDATE: died from tuberculosis in the prison hospital**)

<http://www.ustrcr.cz/cs/faustin-josef-hartl> - with translation
http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Czech2.htm

Wednesday February 20, 1952



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Russia: Vorkutlag labor camp

Fr Teodor Czanysz (aged 55, arrested in Soviet occupied Poland on July 16, 1941, sent to Starobelsk POW camp in Ukraine; sentenced on October 13, 1942 to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE: released**)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1524>

Thursday February 21, 1952



China: Guangzhou

Bishop Francis Xavier Ford MM (aged 60, U.S. national, cousin of Sr Ita Ford MM, **died in prison**)

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

Friday February 22, 1952



Czechoslovakia

Fr Titus Zeeman SDB (aged 37, arrested in **April 1951** for helping seminarians escape the country; **UPDATE**: convicted of treason, sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment)

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

Friday February 29, 1952



Slovakia: Bratislava

Sr Cecília Schelingova (aged 35, hospital radiology technician, arrested for attempting to help priests and seminarians escape custody, tortured, right breast torn apart from continual kicks)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cec%ADlia_Schelingov%AD1

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