

Today's Martyrs – March 1953

Saturday March 7, 1953



Kazakhstan: Steplag labor camp, Dzhezkazgan, Karaganda oblast

Fr Anton Kuyava (aged 45, arrested in [Jazno, Belarus](#) on [February 17, 1949](#), accused of anti-Soviet activities, tortured with sleep deprivation; sentenced in [Dzisna, Belarus](#) to 25 years' imprisonment in a labor camp on [May 21, 1949](#); sent to [Steplag](#) on [July 25 1949](#), arrived seriously ill; began to show signs of active tuberculosis in [March 1952](#);
UPDATE: sentenced to solitary confinement for not wearing camp clothes - most likely to identify himself as a priest)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1143>

Saturday March 14, 1953



Czechoslovakia: Jihlava

Fr Jaroslav Tobola OFM (aged 42, arrested in [April 1950](#), tortured; **UPDATE:** [died of a heart attack while under interrogation](#))

<http://www.ustrcr.cz/cs/ambroz-jaroslav-tobola> - with translation
http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Czech2.htm

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