

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – September 1953

Monday September 7, 1953



Hong Kong: Wanchai

Two priests were killed for denouncing Communist persecution in China

Fr John Baptist Cheng Kwok-Cheung (aged 35, **killed**)

Fr Peter Ngai Wan-Fai (aged 53, **killed**)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Hong-Kong-Catholics-remember-two-priests-killed-by-the-Communist-Party-44898.html>

Saturday September 19, 1953



Czech Republic: Czech Budejovice

Sr Antonie Hasmandova (aged 39, arrested in [Prachatice](#) in 1952 for hiding Fr Remigio Janco from the secret police; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 8 years' imprisonment)

https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marie_Vojtěcha_Hasmandová - with translation
<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/year/1988.htm>

Thursday September 24, 1953



Slovakia: Trencin

Fr Vojtech Basovnik SDB (aged 41, laced under house arrest in [April 1950](#); **UPDATE:** sentenced to four years' imprisonment)

https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vojt%C4%9Bch_Basovn%C3%ADk - with translation
<http://www.ustrcr.cz/cs/basovnik-vojtech> - with translation

Friday September 25, 1953



Poland: Rywald

Cardinal Stefan Wyszynski (aged 52, imprisoned)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stefan_Wyszy%C5%84ski

September 1953, date unknown