

## Today's Martyrs –1957 – unknown month



### Turkey: Bazyan

Abdul Ahad (*assassinated*)

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### Russia: Kostroma region

Fr Anton Bankowski (aged 48, arrested in [Rakov, Grodno region, Belarus](#) on [January 3, 1948](#), later sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; arrived at Vorkutlag labor camp on [February 6, 1948](#); transferred to a labor camp in Kostroma region on [June 2, 1955](#); **UPDATE**: released)

### Russia: Siblag labor camp

Janina Lesniewska (aged 33-35, arrested on espionage charges in [Moscow](#) in [September 1949](#); sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp in [November 1949](#), possibly sent to [Siblag](#); **UPDATE**: released early, returned to Moscow)

Fr Vladimir Borovets (aged 69, arrested in [1946](#); **UPDATE**: released, emigrated to Poland)

### Russia: Ukhtizhemiag labor camp, Sosnovka, Komi ASSR

Fr Longins Lapkovskis SJ (aged 45, arrested in [1951](#) in [Riga, Latvia](#), sentenced to a camp, sent to a [Volga-Don Canal](#) construction camp, then to a camp in [Karelia](#), then to Ukhtizhemiag; **UPDATE**: released, returned to Latvia and resumed his ministry)

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### Ukraine: Kopelyanka, Khoroshiv district, Zhytomyr oblast

Fr Faustin Lisicki (aged 54, arrested in [Zhytomyr](#) on [February 25, 1946](#); sentenced on [August 1, 1946](#) to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; arrived at [Vorkutlag in Russia](#) on [November 3, 1947](#); transferred to [Intlag](#) on [May 16, 1955](#); released on [February 25, 1956](#), returned to [Zhytomyr](#); **UPDATE**: arrested, released after several months)

## Ukraine: Zhytomyr

Fr Roman Jankowski (aged 69, arrested in [Kotelnia](#) on counter-revolutionary charges on [August 27, 1935](#); sentenced on [August 14, 1936](#) to 5 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent into internal exile following his release; returned from internal exile in [1945](#) and resumed his ministry, soon forced to live in [Yablonna](#); returned to [Zhytomyr](#) in [1951](#); **UPDATE**: banned from ministry for a year)

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## Lithuania

Fr Juozanas Gustas SDB (arrested by the Soviets in [Saldutishkis, Lithuania](#), exact year unknown but [possibly 1944](#), later sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to [Siblag in Russia](#); released in [1956](#), returned to [Lithuania](#); **UPDATE**: voluntarily went to Krasnoyarsk in Russia to serve exiled Lithuanians)

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## Slovenia: Ljubljana

Fr Anton Strle (aged 42, jailed for 3 months' in [Ljubljana](#) in [1945](#); imprisoned in [Ljubljana](#) in [1947](#); released in [1952](#) in [Medvodah](#); **UPDATE**: sentenced to prison for 6 months, released after 2 months)

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