

## Today's Martyrs – May 1960

**Sunday May 1, 1960**



### **Laos: Pha Xoua**

Fr Mario Borzaga OMI (aged 28, Italian national, **killed** by Pathet Lao communist guerrillas)

Paul Thoj Xyooj (aged 19, catechist, former seminarian, **killed** by Pathet Lao communist guerrillas)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/After-Pope-Francis-proclaims-OMI-missionary-Fr-Borzaga-martyr,-the-Church-of-Laos-celebrates-34169.html>

**Tuesday May 10, 1960**



### **Czech Republic: Pardubice**

Sr Antonie Hasmandova (aged 46, arrested in [Prachatice](#) in 1952 for hiding Fr Remigio Janco from the secret police; sentenced in [Czech Budejovice](#) on [September 19, 1953](#) to 8 years' imprisonment; **UPDATE**: released from prison in a general amnesty)

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marie\\_Vojtěcha\\_Hasmandová](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marie_Vojtěcha_Hasmandová) - with translation  
<http://newsaints.faithweb.com/year/1988.htm>

**May 1960, date unknown**



### **Czechoslovakia**

Bishop Stepan Trochta SDB (aged 55, arrested by the Gestapo on [May 28, 1942](#), sent to Terezin, Mauthausen and Dachau concentration camps; under house arrest by the StB in 1951, forced to sign allegiance to the socialist republic while under the likely influence of

narcotics; arrested in 1953; sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment in 1954; **UPDATE:** released in an amnesty, forced to work as a plumber)

[https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C5%A0t%C4%9Bp%C3%A1n\\_Trochta](https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/%C5%A0t%C4%9Bp%C3%A1n_Trochta) - with translation