

Today's Martyrs – October 1970

Monday October 7, 1970



Lithuania: Moletai

Fr Antanas Seskevicius (trial begun on a charge of catechizing children)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL18667384M/A_radiance_in_the_Gulag

Tuesday October 8, 1970



Lithuania: Moletai

Fr Antanas Seskevicius (**UPDATE**: trial concluded on a charge of catechizing children, state witnesses all retracted their testimony, prohibited from introducing any defense witnesses, convicted, sentenced to one year at hard labor)

Nijole Sadunaite (aged 32, factory worker, sister of Jonas Aloyzas Sadunas, detained without charge during the trial of Fr Antanas Seskevicius for having paid for his legal counsel, interrogated, released at midnight)

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Sunday October 13, 1970



South Vietnam: Kontum

Gloria Anne Redlin (U.S. citizen, nurse with Lutheran World Relief or Catholic Relief Services [accounts vary], shot at a roadblock)

South Vietnam: Quang Ngai

Rev Phillip Arthur Nichols (aged 29, U.S. Army chaplain, **killed in action** by an explosive device)

<http://www.christianpost.com/news/death-of-us-army-chaplain-in-war-zone-marks-1st-in-40-years-46613/>

<http://www.military.com/HomePage/UnitPageBulletinBoard/1,13492,712575%7C1067953%7CM,00.html>

<http://www.vvmf.org/Wall-of-Faces/37865/PHILLIP-A-NICHOLS>

Monday October 14, 1970



Lithuania: Vilkaviskis

Ona Brieliene (teacher with 21 years' experience, wife of Jurgis Briilius, family photographs of her children's First Communion obtained by the school administration in **October 1969**, harassing inspections of her classroom begun; dismissed by the Education Committee on **September 14, 1970**; appealed her dismissal to the People's Court on **September 28, 1970**; **UPDATE:** dismissal upheld, appeal filed with the LSSR Supreme Court)

http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=349&Itemid=234

Saturday October 19, 1970



Philippines: Balabagan, Lanao del Sur

Fr Martin Dempsey SSC (aged 36, Irish citizen, **killed**)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Philippines2.htm

Monday October 21, 1970



South Vietnam

Gloria Anne Redlin (U.S. citizen, nurse with Lutheran World Relief or Catholic Relief Services [accounts vary], shot at a roadblock on **October 13, 1970**; **UPDATE**: died)

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