

## Today's Martyrs – February 1972

Thursday February 17, 1972



### Lithuania: Vilnius

Kleopa Biciusaite (aged 70, tried in [Naujoji Akmene](#) on [January 13, 1972](#) for illegal religious instruction to children for teaching them prayers, convicted, sentenced to one year imprisonment: **UPDATE**: the LSSR Supreme Court commuted the sentence to 100 rubles, released)

[http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=348&Itemid=233](http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=348&Itemid=233)

Thursday February 24, 1972



### Cambodia: Kdol Leu

Fr Pierre Rapin (aged 45, French national, seriously injured by an explosive device planted by the Khmer Rouge, taken to a Khmer Rouge hospital, **died, injection with poison had been suspected** since he was not at risk of imminent death when taken, among his last words were "My son...if those who wanted to kill me are captured, forgive them, do them no harm! Revenge is useless. Dearest son...have faith in God...I loved our Christians so dearly...")

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/The-martyrdom-of-Fr.-Rapin,-the-seed-of-new-life-for-the-mission-of-the-Church-in-Cambodia-33629.html>

February 1972, date unknown



### Lithuania: Vilnius

Fr S Tamkevicius (called to meet with the procurator's office, threatened with prosecution for anti-Soviet activities)

**Lithuania: Klaipeda**

Ms Kudirkiene (apartment searched, daughter's apartment also searched)

[http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=348&Itemid=233](http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=348&Itemid=233)

[http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=350&Itemid=235](http://www.lkbkronika.lt/en/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=350&Itemid=235)