

Today's Martyrs – October 1973

Wednesday October 3, 1973



Lithuania: Siauliai

Zenonas Mistautas (fourth year Polytechnical Institute student, detained, interrogated on [May 20, 1973](#) and [May 25, 1973](#) as to his participation in a religious procession to the Hill of Crosses, **UPDATE**: ordered by his homeroom teacher to appear at the security headquarters, did not go)

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Friday October 5, 1973



Lithuania: Jonava

Leonas Rosinas (secondary school student, beaten at school by classmates at the instigation of his atheist teachers, hospitalized, did not return to school for ten days and prohibited by doctors from physical education for two months, attackers were briefly detained by police but not charged)

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Sunday October 7, 1973



Lithuania: Anyksciai

Valentinas Kovas (denied the Eucharist while hospitalized, **died** a few hours later)

Juozas Grizas (denied the Eucharist while hospitalized)

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Wednesday October 10, 1973



Lithuania: Siauliai

Zenonas Mistautas (fourth year Polytechnical Institute student, detained, interrogated on [May 20, 1973](#) and [May 25, 1973](#) as to his participation in a religious procession to the Hill of Crosses, ordered by his homeroom teacher on [October 3, 1973](#) to appear at the security headquarters, did not go, **UPDATE**: taken to security headquarters, interrogated, kept silent)

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Saturday October 13, 1973



Lithuania: Vilnius

Aldona Matuseviciute (teacher, charged with being a nun by the Department of Education;
UPDATE: dismissed from her position)

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Friday October 19, 1973



Lithuania: Miecioniai, Ignalina district

Elena Jakstaite (home raided by police, religious liberty petitions asking for a replacement for the infirm Fr Vincentas Miskinis seized)

Lithuania: Buckunai, Ignalina district

Kostas Bajorunas (home raided by police, interrogated on the location of religious liberty petitions asking for a replacement for the infirm Fr Vincentas Miskinis)

Lithuania: Malikai, Ignalina district

Stanislovas (husband of Marijona Milikeniene, home raided by police, religious liberty petitions asking for a replacement for the infirm Fr Vincentas Miskinis seized)

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Saturday October 20, 1973



Lithuania: Miecioniai, Ignalina district

Fr Antanas Maciulis (at government insistence was assigned to a second parish to replace Fr Vincentas Miskinis 12 kilometers from his first, only one bus per day ran to the second parish)

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Sunday October 21, 1973



Chile: Iquique, Tarapaca

Fr Gerardo Poblete Fernandez SBD (aged 31, **executed** by the government)

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

Monday October 22, 1973



Lithuania: Mielagenai, Ignalina district

Juozas Bajorunas (husband of Ona Bajoruniene, ordered to appear at the district headquarters for interrogation, wife went instead)

Ona Bajoruniene (wife of Juozas Bajorunas, went to the district headquarters instead of her husband, berated as a 'biddy')

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Friday October 26, 1973



Eritrea [then Ethiopia]: Keren

Fr Yosief Mantai OFM Cap (aged 52, **killed**)

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



Lithuania: Jieznas, Prienai district

Mykolas Jaudegis (church organist, summoned to the district executive committee, fined 30 rubles for allowing children to sing in choir)

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Saturday October 27, 1973



Lithuania: Svencionys, Ignalina district

Fr Vincentas Miskinis (aged 80, hospitalized, **died** after becoming agitated over news of the persecution of his parishioners)

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Tuesday October 30, 1973



Lithuania: Siauliai

Leonas Sileikis (secondary school student, son of Joana Sileikiene and Juozas Sileikis, questioned at school by security agents on his church attendance, said a few weeks later at another interrogation "I've been going to church, and I will continue to go", given a bad conduct grade)

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Wednesday October 31, 1973



Lithuania: Jieznas

Fr K Zilys (summoned by the district executive committee on [August 20, 1973](#), ordered to not allow children to approach the altar; **UPDATE**: summoned again to the district executive committee, told there would be consequences for teaching children and allowing them to sing in choir, replied that he would not sign a written warning and would not obey laws that were aimed against the church)

Fr V Sidaras (summoned to the district executive committee, told there would be consequences for teaching children and allowing them to sing in choir, replied that he would not sign a written warning and would not obey laws that were aimed against the church)

Lithuania: Siauliai

Joana Sileikiene (wife of Juozas Sileikis, mother of Leonas Sileikis, summoned to security headquarters and questioned on her family's church activities)

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Lithuania: Klaipeda

Ms Augustinaviciene (arrested for selling religious articles at the church door, articles seized, fined 20 rubles)

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