

Today's Martyrs – January 1979

Monday January 1, 1979



Zimbabwe - then Rhodesia: Shurugwi, Midlands

Fr Martin Holenstein SMB (aged 44, Swiss citizen, abducted, **killed**)

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

Saturday January 20, 1979



El Salvador: Mejicanos, San Salvador

Security forces raided a religious retreat, a priest and four youths shot dead, all other retreatants were arrested, the dead bodies were positioned on the roof with machine guns to incriminate them

Angel Morales Gomez (aged 22, **shot dead**)

David Caballero Cornejo (aged 15, **shot dead**)

Jorge Alberto Gomez Juarez (aged 22, **shot dead**)

Fr Octavio Ortiz (**shot dead**, body repeatedly run over by a military vehicle to prevent an open casket wake)

Roberto Orellana Sanchez (aged 15, **shot dead**)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Octavio_Ortiz

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

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