Today's Martyrs – April 1994

Sunday April 3, 1994 Easter (Pascha) – Western calendar

Wednesday April 6, 1994



Rwanda: Kicukiro, Kigali

Sr Marie Claire Mukabisangwa (aged 48, killed)

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Thursday April 7, 1994 Rwandan genocide begun



Rwanda: Kigali

Cyprien Rugamba (aged 59, husband of Daphrose Mukansanga Rugamba, former seminarian, historian, killed with his wife and 6 of their 10 children while engaged in a prayer vigil because they had opposed the actions which led to the genocide, had taken over 100 street children into his home and evangelized many couples)

Daphrose Mukansanga Rugamba (aged 50, wife of Cyprien Rugamba, former teacher, killed with her husband and 6 of their 10 children while engaged in a prayer vigil because they had opposed the actions which led to the genocide, had taken over 100 street children into her home and evangelized many couples)

Rwanda: Remera, Gasabo, Kigali

Fr Alfred Nzabakurana (aged 41, killed)

Sr Beatrice Nyirangirababyeyi (killed)

Sr Bellancile Mukayitesi (aged 36, killed)

Fr Boniface Kanyoni (aged 52, killed)

Fr Chrysologue Mahame SJ (aged 67, killed)

Sr Florence Umutesi (aged 22, killed)

Sr Francine Mukakayange (aged 24, killed)

Sr Immaculee Mukamuligo (aged 26, killed)

Fr Innocent Rutagambwa SJ (aged 45, killed)

Fr Jean Marie Vianney Niyirema (aged 48, killed)

Sr Marie Rose Mukabadege (aged 37, killed)

Fr Patrick Gahizi SJ (aged 47, killed)

Fr Straton Gakwaya (aged 54, killed)

Sr Therese Murekeyisoni (killed)

Sr Winifrida Mukamana (aged 39, killed)

Rwanda: Ruhuha, Kigali

Fr Andre Caloone M.Afr (aged 53, French national, shot dead by a soldier)

http://www.emmanuelcommunity.ie/?page_id=2229

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new martyrs/Rwanda.htm

http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-US&dl=en&lp=FR_EN&a=http%3a%2f%2fwww.africamissionmafr.org%2fassassines.htm

Friday April 8, 1994



Rwanda: Gisenyi, Rubavu

Br Frederic Nyakaytru (killed)

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Saturday April 9, 1994



Rwanda: Gikondo, Kigali

Fr Zdzislaw SAC (Polish citizen, forced to watch the murder of 110 Tutsis in his church)

Rwanda: Nyundo, Rubavu

Br Aimable Mazimpaka (killed)

Br Jonathan Mwitirehe (killed)

Sr Marie Candida Kanyonga (aged 62, killed)

Sr Marie Giovanie Mukeshimana (aged 73, killed)

Sr Marie Julienne Nyiratereharo (aged 73, killed)

Sr Marie Laetitia Nyiramakwandi (aged 63, killed)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Rwanda.htm https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Gikondo_massacre

Sunday April 10, 1994



Rwanda: Cyangugu

Mgr Thaddee Ntihinyurwa (preached against the massacres of Tutsis, then travelled to Nyamasheke in an attempt to stop an attack against Tutsis in a church)

Rwanda: Mataba village, Kibyue province

Pastor Murinzi (began to shelter 8 Tutsis in his home including the future writer Immaculee Ilibagiza)

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Sierra Leone: Mile 91, Tonkolili

Br Edward Senan Kerrigan FSC (aged 57, Irish national, killed)

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Monday April 11, 1994



Rwanda: Cyangugu

Mgr Thaddee Ntihinyurwa (**UPDATE**: tried to evacuate three religious brothers but was forced to watch their murders)

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Thursday April 14, 1994



Rwanda: Rwamagana

Br Dominique Munyurangabo FC (killed)

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Friday April 15, 1994



Rwanda: Kibeho

Abbe Pierre Ngoga (fled after massacres of Tutsis had begun, called the Bishop of Gikongoro with a request for help to rescue the Tutsis but was rebuffed)

Rwanda: Ndera, Gasabo

Sr Cassilda Mukankwaya SSMN (aged 53, killed)

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Monday April 18, 1994



Rwanda: Gikongoro, Nyamagabe

Br Georges Gashugi OFM (aged 32, killed)

Rwanda: Simbi, Huye

Sr Marie Paule Mukangwje (aged 86, killed)

Sr Marie Pelagie Kantama (aged 74, killed)

Sr Marie Pierre-Claver Yankurije (aged 52, killed)

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Thursday April 21, 1994



Rwanda: Gisenyi, Rubavu

Sr Felicitas Niyitegeka (aged 59, shot dead along with 43 others, had sheltered Tutsis and helped them escape to Zaire, threatened with death but refused to stop her efforts)

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Jamaica: Falmouth, Trelawny

Fr Vincent Power SSC (aged 62, Irish national, killed)

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Friday April 22, 1994



Rwanda: Gihindamuyaga, Huye

Br Antoine Rutagengwa (killed)

Br Gaetan Gatera BMV (killed)

Rwanda: at the border with Burundi

Sr Alexis Nyirbajyambere (aged 25, disappeared, presumed dead)

Br Etienne Rwesa SM (aged 52, disappeared, presumed dead)

Sr Patricia Ntawuyigenga (aged 35, disappeared, presumed dead)

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Saturday April 23, 1994



Rwanda

Br Janvier Murenzi CSC (aged 25, killed)

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Sunday April 24, 1994



Rwanda: Nyanza

Sr Marie Francoise Mukamparirwa (aged 58, killed)

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Tuesday April 26, 1994



Rwanda: Birambo, Karongi

Sr Agnes Kangofero RA (aged 58, killed)

Sr Albina Nyirangilimana RA (aged 53, killed)

Anne Marie Mukashema RA (aged 29, novice, killed)

Br Boniface Ndayisenga (killed)

Hilda Maria Mukandinda RA (aged 28, novice, killed)

Fr Innocent Ruberizesa (aged 52, killed)

Br Joseph Sahabu (killed)

Sr Leonilla Mukambera RA (aged 48, killed)

Fr Narcisse Sebasare (aged 52, killed)

Rwanda: Kabuye, Kigali

Sr Marie Madeleine Nyirabatware RA (aged 55, killed)

Rwanda: Kageyo, Byumba, Gicumbi

Fr Joaquim Vallmajo Sala M.Afr (aged 53, Spanish national, killed)

Rwanda: Kigali

Sr Leocadiya Mukankuranga (aged 30, killed)

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April 1994, date unknown



Pakistan

Salamat Masih (aged 13, arrested on blasphemy charges in May 1993; **UPDATE**: shot during a court hearing, survived)

Manzoor Masih (arrested on blasphemy charges in May 1993; **UPDATE**: shot dead during a court hearing)

Rehmat Masih (arrested on blasphemy charges in May 1993; **UPDATE**: shot during a court hearing, survived)

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Rwanda: Kibungo

Fr Eliseus Mpongano (shot dead for trying to protect Tutsis)

Bishop Frederic Rubwejanga (witnessed the shooting death of Fr Eliseus Mpongano and the murder of 1,200 of his parishioners)

Rwanda: Gisenyi, Rubavu

Anicet Butera (novice, killed)

Sr Candide Mukabaziga (killed)

Sr Marie Mukamusana (killed)

Rwanda: Kabgayi, Muhanga

Br Aloys Cadali (killed)

Rwanda: Muhororo, Ruhengeri

Sr Marie Alphonse Nziza (aged 86, killed)

Sr Marie François-Xavier Mukamugiro (aged 54, killed)

Sr Marie Gerarda Mukamurihira (aged 74, killed)

Sr Marie Regis Gakwanzi (aged 60, killed)

Rwanda: Nyamasheke

Br Ladislas Sinigenga (killed)

Rwanda: Nyanza

Sr Marie Augustine Nyiranyundo (aged 78, killed)

Rwanda: Nyumba, Gishamvu

Sr Marie Edmonde Nyirabudeyi (aged 64, killed)

Rwanda: Rwesero, Nyamasheke

Sr Marie Carola Nyirankurikizayabo (aged 66, killed)

http://cjonline.com/stories/040699/new_rwanda.shtml#.WRqRbvnyuM8

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