

Today's Martyrs – October 1996

Thursday October 17, 1996



Cambodia: Phnom Penh

Br Richard Michael Fernando SJ (aged 26, Philippine national, **killed** while trying to prevent an expelled student from throwing a grenade into a classroom full of disabled children, had protected the attacker from the explosion with his own body, had written four days earlier “I know where my heart is, It is with Jesus Christ, who gave his all for the poor, the sick, the orphan...I am confident that God never forgets his people: our disabled brothers and sisters. And I am glad that God has been using me to make sure that our brothers and sisters know this fact. I am convinced that this is my vocation”)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Cambodia2.htm

<http://bangortobobbio.blogspot.com/2011/10/greater-love-richie-fernando-sj-joy.html>

Tuesday October 29, 1996



Congo, Democratic Republic aka Zaire: Bukavu

Archbishop Mzee Christophe Munzihirwa Mwene Ngabo SJ (aged 70, **assassinated** by Rwandan Patriotic Front commandos)

http://fr.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christophe_Munzihirwa

Thursday October 31, 1996



Congo, Democratic Republic aka Zaire: Myamirangwe refugee camp

Four Marist brothers and Spanish citizens killed by Rwanda Patriotic Front commandos

Br Fernando de la Fuente de la Fuente FMS (aged 53, **shot dead**)

Br Jorge Julio Rodriguez FMS (**shot dead**)

Br Miguel Angel Isla Lucio FMS (**shot dead**)

Br Servando Mayor Garcia FMS (**shot dead**)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marist_Brothers#Marist_saints_and_martyrs

October 1996, date unknown



Colombia: Bogota

Fr Botero Henao (aged 32, **killed** by Marxist guerrillas)

<http://www.catholicdoors.com/news/martyrs2.htm>