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Events – April 1924

Thursday April 3, 1924



Russia: Moscow

Fr Mikhail Tsakul (age 39, arrested on espionage charges on March 26, 1924; **UPDATE**: released on his own recognizance, case later closed for lack of evidence)

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Saturday April 19, 1924



Russia: Butyrka Prison, Moscow

Archbishop Jan Cieplak (aged 66, arrested with 14 other priests on counter-revolutionary charges during 'negotiations' on March 10, 1923; convicted on March 26, 1923, sentenced to death; sentence commuted on March 29, 1923 to 10 years' imprisonment after an international outcry; **UPDATE**: released, left the country)

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Monday April 28, 1924



Russia: Moscow

Fr Andrzej Kobierski (aged 46, imprisoned in Uman, Ukraine in 1920; UPDATE: released in a prisoner exchange, emigrated to Poland)

Russia: Yaroslavl

Fr Adam Lisowski (aged 41, arrested in Minsk, Belarus on May 2, 1922 on charges of 'organizing the Christian Democratic Party in Belorussia, provocation of conflicts between the Soviet regime and the masses of parishioners, contacts with Polish authorities, and hiding church valuables'; sentenced to death on May 31, 1922, sentence commuted to 5 years' imprisonment followed by forced labor, imprisoned in Minsk, Moscow and Yaroslavl; UPDATE: released in a prisoner exchange, left for Poland)

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