Today's Martyrs – November 1940

Saturday November 13, 1940



Germany: Berlin

Lothar Ernst Paul Kreyssig (aged 42, district court judge in Brandenburg an der Havel, member of the Confessing Church, reported to the Minister of Justice on July 8, 1940 that he suspected that mentally disabled adults and children under the jurisdiction of his court were being murdered in an euthanasia campaign, later issued an injunction prohibiting the movement of his charges to the euthanasia centers, and filed a charge of murder against Philipp Bouhler, a top aide to Adolph Hitler; **UPDATE**: summoned to the Justice Ministry, after being shown the T4 euthanasia program authorization that had been signed by Adolph Hitler said "The Fuhrer's word does not create a right", was then told "If you cannot recognize the will of the Fuhrer as a source of law, then you cannot remain a judge")

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lothar_Kreyssig

Saturday November 20, 1940



Poland - now Ukraine: Lviv

Fr Adam Henry Bogdanowicz (aged 42, arrested by the Soviets on April 3, 1940; **UPDATE**: convicted, sentenced to death)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0140

Tuesday November 23, 1940



Poland - now Ukraine: Lviv

Fr Jerzy Jaglasz (aged 31, arrested by the Soviets on February 17, 1940; **UPDATE**: sentenced to death)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1566



Germany: Dachau concentration camp

Fr Robert Pruszkowski (ordered to exchange slaps with another inmate, had been arrested in East Prussia for hearing the confessions of Poles)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26360161M/The_Priest_Barracks

Wednesday November 24, 1940



Austria: Mauthausen concentration camp

Fr Marzell Leeb (aged 47, died)

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

Monday November 29, 1940



Ukraine: Kirovsk

Fr Czeslaw Kaniak (aged 48, sentenced to death, had been arrested earlier in 1940)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0986

November 1940, date unknown