

Today's Martyrs – December 1945

Tuesday December 11, 1945



Belarus: Mezherichi, Grodno oblast

Fr Albin Gorba (aged 50, arrested)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0860>

Wednesday December 12, 1945



Russia: Moscow

Fr Pietro Leoni SJ (aged 36, Italian citizen, arrested on [April 29, 1945](#) in [Odessa, Ukraine](#); transferred to [Lefortovo Prison in Moscow](#) on [July 13, 1945](#); indicted on anti-Soviet agitation charges on September 13, 1945; sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp on [November 12, 1945](#); transferred to Butyrka Prison on [November 24, 1945](#), met Fr Jean Nicolas, later stated "Pale and emaciated, it was not so much pity for each other that we felt, but true pride to have become worthy to suffer so greatly for Christ"; **UPDATE:** transferred to Tmlag)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1837>

Thursday December 13, 1945



Ukraine: Ladyzhyn

Fr Miron Korduba (aged 51, arrested on [July 9, 1945](#), charged with 'working as a priest during the German occupation...and blessing the graves of bandits'; **UPDATE:** sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, fate unknown)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1106>

Monday December 24, 1945



Belarus: Minsk

Fr Albin Jaroszewicz (aged 66, sentenced to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp)

<https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1724>

Friday December 28, 1945



Ukraine: Lukyanivska Prison, Kiev

Bishop Hryhory Khomyshyn (aged 78, arrested by the NKGB in [April 1945](#); **UPDATE: died during torture**)

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

Monday December 31, 1945



Albania: Shkoder

Fr Daniel Dajani SJ (aged 39, Italian citizen, seminary rector, arrested on war crimes and espionage charges)

Fr Giovanni Fausti SJ (aged 47, Italian citizen, arrested on war crimes and espionage charges)

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

https://it.wikipedia.org/wiki/Daniel_Dajani - with translation

<http://www.ncregister.com/blog/tcraughwell/fr.-giovanni-fausti-martyred-by-the-communists>

December 1945, date unknown