

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – March 1949

Friday March 11, 1949



China: Nanjing, Jiangsu

Mariette Dierkens (aged 33, Belgian citizen, member Inter-Cultural Association, **killed**)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/China2.htm

Saturday March 19, 1949



Albania: Durres

Bishop Vincens Prenushi OFM (aged 63, arrested on [May 19, 1947](#); tried in [Durres](#) on [December 18, 1947](#); appeal rejected in [Tirana](#) on [February 23, 1948](#); **UPDATE: died from torture**)

https://sq.wikipedia.org/wiki/Vinçens_Prenushi - with translation

March 1949, date unknown



United States – California: Brentwood, Los Angeles

Fr Augustine C Murray (church damaged in an arson attack, said at Mass the next day "Let us pray for the poor boy who didn't know what he was doing. Let us pray that Almighty God may give him back his health")

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/St._Martin_of_Tours_Catholic_Church