# **Today's Martyrs – January 1951**

### **Tuesday January 2, 1951**



### Czechoslovakia: Pankrac, Prague

Fr Stanislav Jarolimek CCOP (aged 59, arrested in August 1950 while in the hospital in Bratislava with end stage cancer; sentenced in December 1950 to 20 years' imprisonment on treason and espionage charges; **UPDATE**: died in the prison hospital)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new\_martyrs/Czech2.htm https://cs.wikipedia.org/wiki/Stanislav\_Bohuslav\_Jarol%C3%ADmek - with translation

## Friday January 12, 1951



#### Czechoslovakia: Bratislava

Bishop Michal Buzalka (aged 65, served 4 months' imprisonment in 1945 for serving as Slovak military vicar during the war; arrested on July 12, 1950, tortured; **UPDATE**: sentenced to life imprisonment)

https://sk.wikipedia.org/wiki/Michal Buzalka - with translation

# Monday January 15, 1951



## Czechoslovakia: Bratislava

Bishop Pavel Peter Gojdic OSBM (aged 62, issued a pastoral letter from Presov on January 25, 1939 concerning the government's "Program for the Solution of the Jewish Question" and predicted disaster should it be implemented; accused by the government on October 26, 1942 of protecting Jews by engaging in fictitious conversions; arrested on April 28, 1950

for refusing to merge his church into the Russian Orthodox Church; **UPDATE**: convicted of treason, sentenced to life imprisonment)

Bishop John Vojtassak (aged 73, placed under house arrest in Spisske Podhradie on June 3, 1950 after opposing the government takeover of religious schools; transferred to Prague on November 16, 1950; UPDATE: sentenced to 24 years imprisonment on treason and espionage charges)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Pavel\_Peter\_Gojdi%C4%8D https://sk.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ján\_Vojtaššák - with translation http://dailygospel.org/main.php?language=AM&module=saintfeast&id=10489&fd=0

### Tuesday January 16, 1951



Belarus: Krupovka, Lida raion, Grodno oblast

Fr Boleslaw Gudejko (aged 57, arrested)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0883

### Wednesday January 31, 1951



#### Czechoslovakia: Prague

Fr Tomas Beranek (aged 63, arrested by the StB on February 8, 1950; **UPDATE**: sentenced to 11 years' imprisonment for treason, blood was seen to ooze from his clothing, began to sing the Te Deum after sentencing)

http://www.ustrcr.cz/cs/tomas-beranek - with translation

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