

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – June 1952

Friday June 6, 1952



Italy: Saccolongo, Padua

Fr Clementte Gatti OFM (aged 72, Italian national, arrested in [Bucharest, Romania](#) on [March 8, 1951](#), tortured; convicted of espionage on [September 17, 1951](#); released in [April 1952](#) and put on a train for Vienna, upon arrival was found to be paralyzed, leaking fluid from his backbone, with bedsores, and unable to speak, hospitalized in [Saccolongo, Padua, Italy](#); **UPDATE:** [died](#))

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

Tuesday June 17, 1952



Slovakia: Bratislava

Sr Zdenka Cecília Schelingova SCSC (aged 35, hospital radiology technician, helped Fr Stefan Kostial escape from the hospital on [February 19, 1952](#) by drugging a guard; arrested on [February 29, 1952](#) for attempting to help priests and seminarians escape custody, tortured, right breast torn apart from continual kicks; **UPDATE:** sentenced to 12 years' imprisonment by judge Paul Korbuly)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cec%C3%ADlia_Schelingov%C3%A1
<https://www.familiemariens.org/html/en/pdf/48.pdf>

June 1952, date unknown



Poland: Olsztyn and Warmia

Fr Stanislaw Kobylecki (aged 50, arrested by the Soviets in [Volodymyr-Volynsky, Ukraine](#) in [1940](#); escaped from [Lutsk prison](#) during the [June 1941](#) execution of prisoners by the Soviet Army; arrested by the German Gestapo in [Volodymyr-Volynsky](#) in [October 1942](#); released in [January 1943](#); **UPDATE**: ordered to leave his ministry by the authorities, became chaplain to a convent)

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