# **Today's Martyrs – December 1955**

### Friday December 9, 1955



## Russia: Taseyevsk region, Krasnoyarsk Krai

Fr Franciszek Janocha OFM (aged 43, arrested in Lviv by the Soviets in July 1940, sentenced to death, commuted to imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Unzhlag; amnestied as a Polish citizen on September 2, 1941; appointed chaplain of the Polish Armed Forces of the East on March 1, 1942 in Chok-Pak, Kazakhstan; arrested in Turkmenistan on March 20, 1943 on anti-Soviet and espionage charges; sentenced on September 8, 1943 to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Ukhtizhemlag; transferred to Steplag in 1948; released from Steplag on December 4, 1950, sent into internal exile; UPDATE: released from internal exile, left for Poland)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-1715

### Sunday December 11, 1955



Myanmar aka Burma: Mongyang, Shan

Fr Eliodoro Farronato PIME (aged 43, Italian citizen, shot dead)

http://www.pime.org/index.php?l=en&idn=85

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new martyrs/Myanmar.htm

#### Monday December 12, 1955



Kazakhstan: Steplag labor camp

Fr Karol Kozera OCD (aged 39, arrested by the Gestapo in Vilnius in 1942, sent to a concentration camp, later freed by Soviet soldiers; arrested in Pastavy, Maladzyechna

district, Belarus on February 9, 1949; sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp on June 10, 1949; **UPDATE**: released as incurably ill, emigrated to Poland and resumed his ministry)

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