Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – unknown month 1958



China

Mathew Hu Xiande (aged 21, seminarian, sentenced to 7 years' forced labor)

Paul Xie Tingzhe (aged 27, seminarian, seminary closed)

China: Shanghai

Bishop James Edward Walsh MM (aged 67, U.S. citizen, arrested, sentenced to 20 years' imprisonment)

China: Tianjin

Fr Stephen Li Side (aged 31, arrested)

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

http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Msgr.-Mathew-Hu-Xiande,-bishop-of-Ningbo,-has-died-41869.html

http://www.asianews.it/news-en/No-public-funeral-for-Msgr.-Stefano-Li-Side,-bishop-of-Tianjin-47237.html

http://www.fides.org/en/news/63023-

ASIA CHINA Msgr Paolo Xie Tingzhe a passionate evangeliser and formator of f uture priests#.WdsQd1tSyM8



USSR

Fr Albert Bakinowski (aged 65, arrested in Nepomutseny, near Grodno, Belarus on or after July 1944 and sentenced to a labor camp; **UPDATE**: released, emigrated to Poland)

Fr Albin Gorba (aged 63, arrested in Mezherichi, Grodno oblast, Belarus on December 11, 1945; sentenced on November 18, 1947 to 8 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: released, later emigrated to Poland)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0054 https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0860



Russia: Asino, Tomsk region

Jadwiga Gribowska (aged 35, postal employee, arrested in Leningrad in February 1942 on counter-revolutionary charges; sent into internal exile on March 9, 1942 to the Yamalo-Nenets Autonomous Region; internal exile transferred to Asino, Tomsk region in 1948; UPDATE: released from internal exile, returned to Leningrad)

Russia: Irkutsk

Fr Franciszek Kozera OCD (aged 50, arrested by the Soviets in Wola Korybutowa, Poland in 1947, sentenced to imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to the Kengirsk sector of Steplag in Kazakhstan; released in 1956, sent into internal exile to Irkutsk; **UPDATE**: released, returned to Poland in 1959 where he resumed his ministry)

Russia: Karaganda oblast

Fr Władysław Bukowinski (aged 54; arrested by the Soviets in Lutsk on January 3, 1945; sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; granted early release on August 14, 1954, retained in Karaganda in internal exile; released from internal exile on August 16, 1956, remained in Karaganda; UPDATE: arrested for illegal pastoral work, sent to Ozerlag labor camp, Chun, Irkutsk oblast)

Russia: Krasnoyarsk

Fr Juozanas Gustas SDB (arrested by the Soviets in Saldutishkis, Lithuania, exact year unknown but possibly 1944, later sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp, sent to Siblag in Russia; released in 1956, returned to Lithuania; voluntarily went to Krasnoyarsk in 1957 to serve exiled Lithuanians; **UPDATE**: secretly murdered by the authorities, exact date unknown)

Russia: Ozerlag labor camp, Tayshet, Irkutsk region

Fr Waclaw Jaziewicz (aged 50, arrested in Nesvizh, Belarus on August 2, 1948; sentenced in Brest, Belarus on November 12, 1948 to 25 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; **UPDATE**: transferred to Temlag)

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Latvia: Liepaja

Fr Julijans Vaivods (aged 63, reputed KGB agent, arrested)

Latvia: Pridruisk

Fr Jozef Borodziula (aged 65, released from internal exile in Aban, Krasnoyarsk region, Russia on September 22, 1954; **UPDATE**: forced by the authorities to stop parish work)

https://biographies.library.nd.edu/catalog/biography-0151 https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Julijans_Vaivods



Czech Republic: Jachymov

Br Jan Havlik CM (aged 30, novice, arrested by the StB secret police in Nitra on October 29, 1951; sentenced in February 1953 to 10 years' imprisonment, sent to work in the uranium mines in Jachymov; UPDATE: tried for ministering to fellow inmates, sentence increased by one year)

https://sk.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ján_Havlík - with translation