Today's Martyrs

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Events – August 1959

Tuesday August 4, 1959



Romania: Bucharest

Bishop Ioan Balan (aged 79, arrested in Lugoj on October 28, 1948, sent to Dragoslavele; transferred to Caldarusani in February 1949; transferred to Sighet Prison in May 1950; transferred to the Curtea de Arges Monastery in 1955; transferred to the Maici de la Ciorogarla monastery in 1956; **UPDATE**: died of natural causes, never sentenced or released)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ioan_B%C4%83lan http://www.bru.ro/lugoj/lista-episcopilor/ps-ioan-balan/ - with translation

Sunday August 30, 1959



Cameroon: Bonaberi, Littoral

Fr François-Xavier Musslin SCJ (aged 42, French citizen, killed)

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

August 1959, date unknown