

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – May 1963

Thursday May 2, 1963



Albania: Burrel

Fr Shtjefen Kurti (aged 64, fled to Romania after the [October 14, 1929](#) murder of Fr Shtjefen Gjecovi, later returned; arrested in [Tirana](#) on [October 28, 1946](#) for writing a letter to the Vatican that described persecution; **UPDATE**: released from prison)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Shtjef%C3%ABn_Kurti

Tuesday May 7, 1963



Mexico

Fr Luigi Corsini MCCI (Italian citizen, **beaten to death** by unknown assailants)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Mexico.htm

[http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-](http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-US&dl=en&lp=IT_EN&a=http%3a%2f%2fwww.comboni.org%2fes%2fcontenuti%2f100131-p-luigi-corsini-1963)

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Thursday May 9, 1963



Romania: Gherla prison

Bishop Alexandru Rusu (aged 78, arrested in Baia Mare, Maramures 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; tried by a military tribunal in Cluj on May 12, 1957 for treason and instigation, sentenced to 25 years' imprisonment at hard labor, denounced the government for its own crimes during the trial, sent to Gherla Prison; UPDATE: died, blessed everyone around him)

<http://www.bru.ro/maramures/lista-episcopilor/ps-alexandru-rusu/2/> - with translation
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Alexandru_Rusu

May 1963, date unknown