

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – 1972 – unknown month



China

Joseph Kim Sun-young (missionary, Korean national, released from prison, **died soon after from exhaustion and hunger**, had been sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment on an unknown earlier date)

<http://www.asianews.it/news-en/Beatification-process-underway-for-P%E2%80%99y%C5%8Fng-yang-bishop-and-the-other-213-martyrs-40125.html>



USSR

Bishop Vasyl Velychkovsky (aged 66, arrested in **Ternopil, Ukraine** in **1945**, sentenced to death, sentence commuted to 10 years' imprisonment in a labor camp; released in **1955**; secretly ordained Fr Volodymyr Sterniul as bishop in **Lviv** in **July 1964**; arrested in **1969** for his religious activities, sentenced to 3 years' imprisonment; **UPDATE:** released, exiled to Canada)

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



Kazakhstan

Yegor Prokopenko (aged 45, sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment, released after 3 and one half years)

http://www.forum18.org/archive.php?article_id=2188



Romania

Fr Gheorghe Calciu-Dumitreasa (aged 46, husband of Adriana Calciu, father of Andrei Calciu, arrested in 1948, imprisoned for 16 years, faith grew from the witness of imprisoned priests; **UPDATE**: ordained to the priesthood after his faith was discovered by the secret police)

<http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/11/25/AR2006112500783.html>