

# Today's Martyrs

*Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom*

## Events – September 1979

**Sunday September 2, 1979**



### **Zimbabwe: Mutoko, Mashonaland East**

John Bradburne (aged 58, lay missionary, poet, leprosy settlement worker, British citizen, **killed** most likely by guerrillas)

[http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new\\_martyrs/Zimbabwe.htm](http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Zimbabwe.htm)

<https://www.indcatholicnews.com/news/37023>

**Tuesday September 11, 1979**



### **Uganda: Otumbari, Arua**

Br Maran (shot by a soldier loyal to Idi Amin who was looting the mission, survived)

Fr Silvio Serri MCCI (aged 46, Italian citizen, **shot dead** by a soldier loyal to Idi Amin who was looting the mission)

[http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new\\_martyrs/Uganda.htm](http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Uganda.htm)

[http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-US&dl=en&lp=IT\\_EN&a=http%3a%2f%2fwww.santiebeati.it%2fDetailed%2f92978.html](http://www.microsofttranslator.com/bv.aspx?ref=SERP&br=ro&mkt=en-US&dl=en&lp=IT_EN&a=http%3a%2f%2fwww.santiebeati.it%2fDetailed%2f92978.html)

**Saturday September 15, 1979**



**Russia: Komsomolsk-na-Amur**

Alexander Ogorodnikov (aged 29, Christian Seminar member, husband of Yelena Levashova, father of Dima; arrested in [Redkino](#) for parasitism on [November 20, 1978](#); trial in [Konakovo](#) ended on [January 11, 1979](#), refused to confess or show remorse, sentenced to 1 year's imprisonment, beaten by police in public after he refused to turn over his trial notes; **UPDATE**: offered early parole in exchange for abandoning the Christian Seminar, refused)

[https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26180614M/Dissident\\_For\\_Life](https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26180614M/Dissident_For_Life) - page 114

**Sunday September 16, 1979**



**Russia: Komsomolsk-na-Amur**

Alexander Ogorodnikov (aged 29, Christian Seminar member, husband of Yelena Levashova, father of Dima; arrested in [Redkino](#) for parasitism on [November 20, 1978](#); trial in [Konakovo](#) ended on [January 11, 1979](#), sentenced to 1 year's imprisonment; **UPDATE**: flown to Leningrad)

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