## **Today's Martyrs**

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – February 1986

Wednesday February 5, 1986



Lithuania: Salcininkai

Fr Juozas Zdebskis (aged 56, imprisoned for one year in 1964; permission to function as a priest removed in 1969; burned in a chemical attack in 1980; **UPDATE**: killed in an automobile accident likely orchestrated by the KGB)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new\_martyrs/Lithuania2.htm http://www.marijampoletic.lt/en/homelands/homeland/homeland-of-priest-juozas-zdebskis-detail

Saturday February 22, 1986



## **USSR**

Vladimir Poresh (Christian Seminar member, arrested in Leningrad on a charge of anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda on August 1, 1979; sentenced to 5 years' imprisonment and 3 years' internal exile on April 25, 1980; **UPDATE**: granted an unprecedented early release from prison)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26180614M/Dissident For Life - page 153

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