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Events – November 1988

Tuesday November 1, 1988



Romania: Bucharest

Virginia Prodan (civil rights attorney, wife of Radu Prodan, mother of Anca and Andreea, exiled from the country)

Anca (daughter of Radu and Virginia Prodan, exiled)

Andreea (daughter of Radu and Virginia Prodan, exiled)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26192673M/Saving_My_Assassin

Friday November 18, 1988



Russia: Kuznetsovki village, Novgorod district

Br Raphael aka Boris Ogorodnikov (aged 37, brother of Alexander Ogorodnikov, killed in a staged vehicular accident, police released the other driver and did not question witnesses)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26180614M/Dissident_For_Life - pg 203

Monday November 21, 1988



Vietnam: Hanoi

Archbishop Francois-Xavier Nguyen Van Thuan (aged 60, interrogated in Ho Chi Minh City on August 15, 1975, arrested when he refused to admit his recent appointment as coadjutor archbishop was a Vatican plot, driven to Nha Trang [his previous episcopal assignment] and placed under house arrest; taken by police to the Phu Khanh Prison Camp on March 19, 1976, put into solitary confinement; taken with other prisoners to a transit camp in Thu Duc on November 29, 1976; taken in chains with other prisoners on December 1, 1976 to a ship in Tan Cang, Ho Chi Minh City, for transfer to North Vietnam; ship arrived in Haiphong on December 10, 1976, taken with the other prisoners to Vinh Quang Prison Camp, Vinh Phu; taken to Thranh Liet Prison Camp, Hanoi on February 5, 1977, interrogated; released on May 13, 1978, sent to house arrest in Giang Xa, Hoai Duc district near Hanoi, began underground pastoral work; taken by police on November 5, 1982 to house arrest in residences in the Thranh Cong area that were reserved for police, frequently relocated to prevent friendships from developing, eventually placed in solitary confinement in a prison in Hanoi after developing friendships with police; UPDATE: released from prison, placed under house arrest in the Hanoi archbishop's residence)

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Nguy%E1%BB%85n_V%C4%83n_Thu%E1%BA%ADn https://openlibrary.org/books/OL27907469M/The Miracle of Hope

Tuesday November 22, 1988



Philippines: Tanudan, Kalinga

Fr Leo van de Winkel CICM (aged 87, Belgian national, killed) http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/Philippines2.htm

November 1988, date unknown