

# Today's Martyrs

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## Events – May 1994

**Thursday May 5, 1994**



**Rwanda: Rwesero, Nyamasheke**

Sr Annunciata Mukarugina (**killed**)

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**Friday May 6, 1994**



**Rwanda**

Br Eulade Gasasira CSC (aged 26, **killed**)

Br Jean-Baptiste Mundeli CSC (aged 31, **killed**)

Br Leonard Karemangingo CSC (aged 29, **killed**)

Br Venant Kayitana CSC (aged 26, **killed**)

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**Sunday May 8, 1994**



**Algeria: Algiers**

Br Henri Verges FMS (aged 63, French citizen, **shot dead** by the Armed Islamic group)  
Sr Paul-Helene Saint-Raymond (aged 67, French citizen, **shot dead** by the Armed Islamic group)  
[http://www.ncregister.com/site/article/priests\\_religious\\_live\\_in\\_peril\\_in\\_algeria/](http://www.ncregister.com/site/article/priests_religious_live_in_peril_in_algeria/)

**Monday May 9, 1994**



**Rwanda: Kicukiro, Kigali**

Br Mathias Mwumvaneza (**killed**)

**Rwanda: Kigoma, Nyanza**

Sr Liberata Marie Grâce Mukagatare (aged 28, **killed**)

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**Tuesday May 10, 1994**



**Rwanda: on the way to Byumba, Gicumbi**

Sr Alphonsine Mukandamage (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Antoinette Nyiragirinka (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Dominique Nyirabahire (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Marie Bernard Nyirabiraho SSMN (aged 47, disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Marie Mukashema (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Seraphine Nyirandamutsa (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Tatiana Nyirangango (novice, disappeared, **presumed dead**)

Sr Yolande Mukarugina (disappeared, **presumed dead**)

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**Sunday May 22, 1994**



**Rwanda: Kamonyi**

Anatholie Kayiranga (killed)

Beata Muteteli IHM (aspirant, killed)

Demetrie Kangabe IHM (aged 29, postulant, killed)

Enatha Mwanayire IHM (aged 22, postulant, killed)

Epiphanie Mujuganye ('young woman', killed)

Sr Francine Mukamusoni IHM (aged 29, killed)

Jacqueline Mukangarambe IHM (aspirant, killed)

Marguerite Kayitesi IHM (aged 26, novice, killed)

Marie Esperance Mukashema IHM (aged 28, novice, killed)

Marie Goretti Uwayezu IHM (aged 29, novice, killed)

Pascasie Umugiraneza ('young woman', killed)

Vestine Mujawayezu IHM (aspirant, killed)

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**Tuesday May 24, 1994**



**Rwanda: Kabgayi, Muhanga**

Fr Callixte Musonera (killed)

Fr Celestin Niwenshuti (killed)

Sr Benigna Nakana (aged 61, killed)

Br Emmanuel Mugabo (killed)

Br Fabien Bisengimana SM (aged 45, killed)

Br Fidele Murekezi (killed)

Br Gaspard Gatari SM (aged 35, killed)

Br Jean Baptiste Rutagengwa (killed)  
Br Louis Nsengiyumva (killed)  
Br Martin Munyanshongore (killed)  
Br Michel Murenzi (killed)  
Br Pierre Canisius Nyilinkinde SM (aged 35, killed)  
Fr Tharcisse Gakuba (killed)  
Br Theophile Rusezerangabo (killed)  
Fr Vedaste Nyilibakwe (killed)

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**Friday May 27, 1994**



**Rwanda: Cyangugu**

Fr Ubald Rugirangoga (approached the local police on [April 10, 1994](#) for protection and for food and water for the 10,000 refugees at his parish in [Nyamasheke](#), given 4 officers; parish church attacked by the Hutu militia on [April 13, 1994](#), falsely accused of being a killer after the police shot a militia member, expelled from the parish and forced to travel to Bishop Thaddee Ntihinyurwa's residence in [Cyangugu](#) under police escort; informed by a weeping Bishop Thaddee Ntihinyurwa on [April 14, 1994](#) that the remaining Tutsi religious brothers at his parish had been killed, saw the Bishop's bloodied clothing; informed on [April 17, 1994](#) that all the refugees at his parish had been killed, and his entire family remaining in his home village including his mother had been killed; **UPDATE:** fled the country to [Zaire](#) with the help of Hutu Christians by bribing the Hutu militia, would later return to the country to establish a popular ministry of forgiveness and reconciliation that included his becoming the foster parent of the children of his mother's killer)

[https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26840197M/Forgiveness\\_Makes\\_You\\_Free](https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26840197M/Forgiveness_Makes_You_Free) pg 31-32

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**Rwanda: Kabgayi, Muhanga**

Sr Marie Grace Mukanyangezi (killed)

Sr Marie Salome Nyirakanani (killed)

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