

Today's Martyrs

Resources for understanding current Christian witness and martyrdom

Events – September 1999

Thursday September 2, 1999



India: Jamudhi village, Orissa state

Fr Arul Doss (aged 35, son of Kairi Biruwa, awakened by his attackers, attempted to escape, shot with arrows, **died**)

Katesingh Khuntia (catechist, beaten unconscious)

<http://www.persecution.in/node/4519>

<http://www.catholicdoors.com/news/martyrs2.htm>

Monday September 6, 1999



East Timor: Suai, Cova Lima

Fr Francisco Soares (**killed**)

Fr Hilario Madeira (**killed**)

Fr Tarcisius Dewanto SJ (aged 59, Indonesian national, **killed**)

http://newsaints.faithweb.com/new_martyrs/East_Timor.htm

Wednesday September 8, 1999



South Africa: Polokwane, Limpopo

Fr Alfons Peleman OSB (aged 75, Belgian national, **killed**)

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Thursday September 9, 1999

Moscow apartment block bombing



Russia: Moscow

Alexander Ogorodnikov (aged 49, Christian Seminar member, husband of Katya Brodenko, father of Dima Levashova, Vladimir Ogorodnikov and Denil Ogorodnikov; arrested in [Redkino](#) for parasitism on [November 20, 1978](#); released from prison on [February 14, 1987](#) following a pardon from General Secretary Mikhail Gorbachev; **UPDATE**: helped pull survivors from the apartment complex next to his that had been bombed, 106 were **killed including 4 of his Island of Hope homeless shelter volunteers**)

https://openlibrary.org/books/OL26180614M/Dissident_For_Life - page 262

Saturday September 11, 1999



East Timor: Dili

Fr Karl Albrecht SJ (aged 70, German national, **killed**)

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Wednesday September 15, 1999



United States - Texas: Fort Worth

A mentally ill gunman shot dead seven attendees at a Christian concert at a church, seven were wounded, four seriously

Cassandra Griffin (aged 14, **shot dead**)

Jeremiah "Jeremy" Neitz (aged 19, confronted the gunman, said "Sir, what you need is Jesus Christ in your life", the gunman then shot himself)

John Laird (father of Justin Laird, saw his son shot)

Joseph D Ennis (aged 14, **shot dead**)

Justin Laird (aged 16, son of John Laird, football player, shot, paralyzed)

Justin Stegner Ray (aged 17, **shot dead**)

Kristi Beckel (aged 14, **shot dead**)

Shawn C Brown (aged 23, seminary student, **shot dead**)

Susan "Kim" Kimberley Jones (aged 23, seminary student, **shot dead**)

Sydney R Browning (aged 36, seminary graduate, teacher, church children's choir director, **shot dead**)

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

<http://www.nytimes.com/1999/09/17/us/deaths-in-a-church-the-victims-back-to-the-flagpole-this-time-to-mourn.html>

Saturday September 25, 1999



East Timor: Los Palos, Lautem

Sr Celeste Pinto Carvalho FDCC (aged 48, **killed**)

Sr Erminia Cazzaniga FDCC (aged 69, Italian national, **killed**)

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