Today's Martyrs

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Events – April 2003

Tuesday April 1, 2003



Iraq: Al Qush, Mosul

Sallam Haskeya Kla (killed)

Iraq: Bagdad

Arkan Dawood Belio (killed)

Emad Salem Yassi Soghar (killed)

Wissam Yohanna Khidr Merouky (killed)

http://indefenseofchristians.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/03/Genocide-report.pdf

Friday April 4, 2003



Iraq: Al Noairia, Bagdad

Weam Wadeea Yaquo (killed)

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Kenya: Nairobi

Fr Martin Macharia Njoroge (forced out of his automobile at gunpoint, shot four times, hospitalized)

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

Saturday April 5, 2003



Iraq: Bagdad

Ramzy Matta Youssef (killed)

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Slovakia

Fr Stefan Kostial (aged 90, arrested in church in 1951 while hearing confessions, tortured; escaped from a hospital in Bratislava on February 19, 1952, had been hospitalized to recover from torture; recaptured in March 1952; sentenced to 19 years' imprisonment on May 19, 1952; released in an amnesty in 1960, required to finish his sentence maintaining roads as a forced laborer; released from forced labor in 1969, allowed to resume ministry; **UPDATE**: died)

https://www.familiemariens.org/html/en/pdf/48.pdf

Sunday April 6, 2003



Iraq: Al Amin, Bagdad

Fady Ghadeer Ishoaa (killed)

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Tuesday April 8, 2003



Iraq: Al Amin, Bagdad

Faayek Shawky Faayek (killed)

Iraq: Al Mashtal, Bagdad

Edmon James Nicogosakhagadoreyan (killed)

James Nicogosakhagadoreyan (killed)

Nicola James Nicogosakhagadoreyan (killed)

Iraq: Bagdad

Essmat Dawood Apady (killed)

Selwan Khidr Rezouky (killed)

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Wednesday April 9, 2003



Iraq: Al Dura, Bagdad

Kiourcas Youkhanna Kiourcas (killed)

Iraq: Al Haritheiah, Bagdad

Nassry Brekha Mansour (killed)

Rania Nassry Brekha Mansour (killed)

Iraq: Al Qush, Mosul

Fareed Sadek Kika (killed)

Iraq: Bagdad

Foad Mansour Abona (killed)

Iraq: Mosul

Salem Youssef Sako (killed)

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Thursday April 10, 2003



Iraq: Al Dura, Bagdad

Fabian Fareedoun Sermo (killed)

Iraq: Bagdad

Noeil Zeya Neno (killed)

Iraq: Kirkuk

Hazim Botros Daman (killed)

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Friday April 11, 2003



Kenya: Nairobi

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Monday April 14, 2003



Iraq: Bagdad

Faras George Ishak (killed)

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Friday April 18, 2003



Iraq: Mosul

Nihad Ghazy Gergis Hano (killed)

Iraq: Qaraqosh

Anosa Botros Kego (killed)

Iraq: Soumer, Bagdad

Sameer Youssef Ishak (killed)

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April 2003, date unknown