

## LET US NOT FORGET THE MARTYRS

for PASTOR MIRALLES. Josefa, Tertiary Carmelite Brothers, Ed. CMT, 1998, 203-204

On this occasion, we will dedicate this space to remember Blessed Bonaventure Toldrá Rodón beatified, by virtue of martyrdom, on October 13, 2013.

Born in Pla de Cabra, today Pla de Santa María (Tarragona). He was born on 31-03-1896, son of Antonio and Teresa, farmers. Baptized the same day with the names of Bonaventure, Andrew, Raymond. He entered the Institute of Carmelite Brothers of Teaching at the age of 19, in July 1915, from the pontifical seminary of Tarragona.

He made his temporary profession in Tarragona on 01-01-1917 and the following year he was sent to El Vendrell, where he remained for about three years. He returned to Tarragona and taught at the Tarraconense School. The preparation of Br. Bonaventure was good and he is described as "professor" while the other Brothers are classified as "teacher" or "assistant".

In Tarragona, July 1936, he was surprised by the events of the Spanish Civil War. On the 21st, he took refuge with his confreres in his parents' house in the C / Nuestra Señora Del Claustro, where his brother priest was too. Four days later, they were discovered. Brother Bonaventure, in bidding farewell to her mother, who in anguish contemplated the arrest of the Carmelites, told her: "All this, mother, is religious persecution; let all be for Our Lord. If we don't see each other here anymore, it will be in Heaven." Young Toldrá sensed that it was the definitive separation from his mother here on earth. After the imprisonment of 4 months on the prison ship "Río Segre", he would end up shot on the wall of the cemetery of Torredembarra with his Brothers and a group of priests, religious and laity of Tarragona.

## **REMEMBER**...

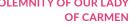
Celebrations, memorials and events of our Palautian family to keep in mind.





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