

**Bessarabian Clerics, Refugees in the Archdiocese of Craiova,
Victims of the Communist Totalitarian Regime: Martyr Priests
Nicolae Goanță (Gonță) (1908-1944) and Theodor Petcu
(1897-1957)**

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Abstract

Writing about the life and activity of Bessarabian clerics, victims of the communist regime, is necessary because they had an important role in preserving the dignity and the morality of the Orthodox faith. They are models through the way how they assumed the life in Christ, taking their cross and suffering for their principles. The method of presentation in our article is a classic one, presenting a small part from their biographical life, to which we added a series of original documents less known or unusual. In the first part, we present the life of reverend Nicolae Goanță (1908-1944). In the second part, we speak about the life of Theodor Petcu (1897-1957). Both of them are followed by the presentation of documents of their files.