

DE PAOLA Francesco Antonio

Was born in Ruvo in the diocese of Muro Lucano on 10th October 1736. He took his vows as a Redemptorist in Iliceto on 1st May 1756. After the division occasioned by the *Regolamento* in 1780 he became President of the Congregation in the Papal States and Rector Major from 1783 to 1793, After the reunion in 1793 he was given the title of ex-General by a Papal brief of 18th July 1794. From 1797 to 1806 he was Vicar of the Roman province by virtue of a Pontifical rescript, ceasing from that office when the rescript was

rescinded on 7th February 1806. In 1807 he was expelled from the Congregation for grave insubordination and conspiracy against the lawful regime, which expulsion was ratified by the Holy See in 1808 and by the Neapolitan government in 1808 and again in 1809. Father De Paola died in the Redemptorist house of Frosinone on 8th November 1814.

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