MADLENER Johann

Was born in Strakonitz in Czechoslovakia on 15th November 1787. After completing his studies in the university of Vienna he was appointed professor of higher mathematics. For some years he had neglected his religion, following the fashion of pantheism of his time. In 1815 he was converted and became a devoted disciple of St. Clement Hofbauer. He began to study for the priesthood and at the same time, under St. Clement's influence, he contributed to the periodical Olzweig. When the Redemptorists were admitted into Austria in 1820, he joined them, having been already ordained priest on 29th August 1819. He took his vows in Maria am Gestade on 2nd August 1821. He filled important positions in the Congregation, including that of consultor to Father Passerat, Vicar General, from 1824 to 1841. He was the first superior of the house in Innsbruck in 1827 and was a member of the first community in Prague in 1856. Father Madlener took part in the first mission given in the Austrian province, that in Gallneukirchen in 1825 and was one of those who took part later in the Tyrol in the 1840's. He died in Vienna on 26th May 1868. BIBLIOGRAPHY:

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