Rev Fr Jan Van Rooy C.SS.R. (1830-1871)

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He was born in Orele; Holland, August 17th, 1830. He made his vows on 24th May, 1854. Having completed his studies at Wittem, he was ordained priest on the 7th of September, 1859. After a short stay in the Wittem community he was sent to Limerick, Ireland. There he laboured assiduously in the confessional, and it was thought no exaggeration to say that his appearance in the church, so great was his modesty, was that of an angel. Some six years after his arrival in Limerick he was sent to Sarnam, Dutch Guiana, South America, where he laboured with indescribable charity among the lepers. He died at a station called Coronic in that difficult mission on the 6th of November, 1871, young in years, but rich in merit. †



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