ANWANDER Thaddeus

Was born in Mindelheim, Bavaria, on 28th August 1823. He took his vows as a Redemptorist in Altotting on 31st August 1842 and departed for America before ordination, arriving there in 1845. He was ordained priest on 6th December 1846. In 1847 he appealed to Archbishop Eccleston of Baltimore to allow him to act as Director of the Oblate Sisters of Providence, an institute of Coloured Sisters founded in 1829 for various works in the interests of the Catholics among the Coloured people. At that time their numbers had dwindled to the extent that the archbishop thought of suppressing them. Father Anwander's guidance not only helped them survive, but so marked their renewal that the Sisters now honour him as a second founder. He served as rector in New Orleans, from 1855 to 1860, returning to his charge for the Sisters in 1867. He died in Baltimore on 1st November 1893.

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