

D'ELIA Gioacchino Gennaro Maria

Was born in Terlizzi in the province of Bari on 20th January 1832. He took his vows as a Redemptorist in Ciorani on 14th March 1851 and was ordained priest in Pagani on 2nd June 1857. Two years later he was appointed at his own request to the ill-fated mission of Casanare in Colombia along with Father Tirino, Prefect Apostolic, and Father Lojodice. His death from fever less than a year after Father Tirino had been drowned left Father Lojodice unable to cope with the large missionary region. Father D'Elia died on 6th January 1861.

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