KALTENBACH Johann Baptist

Was born in Triberg in Baden on 30th June 1791. Attrached to St. Clement Hofbauer, who established the Redemptorists in his native town, he applied to join the Congregation, for which reason he followed Father Passerat in his wanderings in search of a permanent home. He made his religious profession in Farvagny in the canton of Fribourg on 20th September 1813 and was ordained priest in Fribourg on 19th September 1814. He was highly esteemed as a superior in the years of the expansion of the Congregation after 1820, serving as local superior in Belgium, Holland, Germany and Alsace. He was a gifted preacher, but other duties rarely allowed him to take as much part in missions as he wished. As consultor to Father Rudolf von Smetana from 1850 to 1855 he attended the general chapter in

1855. Best remembered as a saintly, kind and prudent superior, he died in St.-Nicolas-du-Port on 19th December 1875.

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