KUNZMANN Peter (Brother Emmanuel)

Was born in Burgkrumbach in Bavaria on 9th February 1749. Having learned the baker's, trade, he came to Vienna, where he made the acquaintance of St. Clement Hofbauer, who was working at the same trade. The two went on pilgrimage to Rome in 1782, and in the beginning of the following year they gave themselves to the hermit life in the little shrine of Quintiliolo near Tivoli. It was there that the two received the hermit names of Clement and Emmanuel. When Clement left Tivoli in the middle of 1783 Emmanuel remained until 1786. In that year while on pilgrimage to Cologne he met Clement once more with Father Thaddeus Hübl, now ordained and on their way to Poland. He joined them and took his vows as a Redemptorist in Warsaw on 23rd January 1788. After the Congregation was expelled from St. Benno's Brother Emmanuel was obliged to return to his old trade as a baker in order to support himself. In the course of 1821 he made his way to Vienna and joined the community established in Maria am Gestade. He died there on 15th January 1825.

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