LOJODICE Vittorio

Was born in Corato, Bari, on 25th July 1834. He took his vows as a Redemptorist in Ciorani on 10th March 1852 and was ordained priest in Iliceto on 19th November 1857. In November 1859 together with Father Enrico Tirino, Prefect Apostolic, and Gioacchino D'Elia he arrived in Casanare, Colombia, to labour among the long abandoned Indians of the region. After little more than a year of a remarkably successful apostolate both his companions were dead, and he himself was compelled by a revolution to leave the country. Unable to return to his own province on account of the government's hostility to religious, he went to Spain, where between the years 1863 and 1884 he worked in the foundations being established in that country. In 1884 he was sent to Argentina to care for the Italian immigrants. He died in Montevideo, Uruguay, on 10th January 1916.

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