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## **Fr CARMELO MELI**

1 September 1881 – 10 March 1949



Carmelo Meli was born in Malta and joined the Society in 1897. He studied at Campion Hall and obtained Honours in Science. Virtually his whole Jesuit life was teaching in the classroom and he never wearied and even in his later years was full of zest.

Besides science, he also taught Latin, French and Maths at different times. He started at Wimbledon and then was at Beaumont for 15 years. He had a gift for inspiring boys with a lively interest in science.

He came to St George's in 1931 and spent seven years there. During the vacations he would visit the missions and give a hand in fixing appliances and the people's pots and other implements. He could fix radios, brew beer and make wine! He also gave retreats during his holidays.

But he got sunstroke and was sent back to England where he continued to teach, this time at St Peter's Southbourne and he improved the science labs there.

Finally he went to Mount St Mary's in 1947 and died there two years later.