

## Brother Bernard Knupfer

December 2nd is the anniversary of the death of Brother Bernard Knupfer. Basil Knupfer was born on June 17, 1869, in the federal state of Baden-Württemberg, Germany.

In his mid-twenties, he decided to follow a religious vocation as a Benedictine monk at the recently established foundation in Arkansas. He came to the United States and to Subiaco where he professed his vows as a monk of our monastery in 1896, receiving the name Bernard.

During his short life span, Brother Bernard served our community at the close of the nineteenth century, shortly after the fledgling monastery had been raised to the status of an abbey.

Brother Bernard died on Saturday, December 2, 1899. At the time of his death, Brother Bernard was 30 years old and in the 3rd year of his monastic profession. He is buried in our cemetery.

