

Synoptic Table of Important Dates

Appendix

	1789	1797	1803	1809	1815	1832	1833	1848	1870/71	1879
Political events in Europe and Germany	French Revolution; First War of the Coalition; rise of Napoleon		“Reichsdeputations-hauptschluss” in Regensburg: all ecclesiastical territories except Mainz are divided; secularization	Wars of Liberation against Napoleon; Bavaria a kingdom from 1806	Congress of Vienna; old balance of power restored in Europe	“Hahnbacher Fest”: liberty and national unity of Germany demanded	King Ludwig I (1825-1848), great patron of the Congregation, rules Bavaria	Revolution in Germany; first German National Assembly (in Frankfurt); Ludwig I of Bavaria abdicates	Franco-Prussian War; era of Bismarck; German Reich is founded	German Reich forms alliances strives towards imperialism
Culture and spiritual life	the Enlightenment; “Illuminati”; literary epochs of “Storm and Stress”, German classicism and romanticism; philosophy of German idealism					Biedermeier period; nationalism, liberalism; Hegel, Schopenhauer, Marx, Nietzsche; literary epoch of realism				
Social changes	Demands of bourgeoisie (Third Estate); removal of absolute monarchy; “liberty, equality, fraternity”		Chronic shortage of educational opportunities for women and girls as a result of secularization	Abolition of Canonesses de Notre Dame in Stadtamhof	Bourgeoisie strengthened; freedom movements; Bavarian Constitution, 1818	Industrial Revolution; social structures change; large sections of population are impoverished; various attempts made to solve the “social question”: Marx (<i>Communist Manifesto</i> , 1847) and Engels; Adolf Kolping, Bishop Freiherr von Ketteler, “Gesellenvereine” (catholic journeymen’s societies); (Leo XIII’s papal encyclical <i>Rerum Novarum</i> , 1891)				
History of the Congregation		Karolina Gerhardinger born	She starts school at the Canonesses de Notre Dame in Stadtamhof	Karolina Gerhardinger and her two companions start their teacher training	Since her final examination in 1812, Karolina Gerhardinger is a “royal Bavarian teacher” in Stadtamhof	Death of Bishop Johann Michael Sailer; Wittmann designated as his successor	Death of Bishop Wittmann; Congregation is founded	Expansion of Congregation in North America starts; Mother M. Caroline Friess	Sisters expelled from schools in Baden and Prussia	Death of Mother Theresa