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Germany Würzburg, Roman Catholic Diocese Arnstein

Arnstein Parish Register (Baptisms – Marriages – Deaths – Other) - 00182

Date of: Jan. 1, 1826

Date to: Dec. 31, 1839

Year: 1839

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Scribe AI Translation

Translation

Entry	Name	Child No. / Midwife	Father	Father's Occupation / Religion	Father's Residence	Mother	Mother's Status / Religion	Mother's Residence	Birth Date / Time	Baptism Date / Place	Officiant	Godparent			
55. +	Joseph +	1841. 18 Feb.	6th child. Elis. Maier.	Johann Schulz.	Soap boiler. Catholic.	Arnstein	ibid.	Anna Maria Metzger.	Wife Catholic.	Arnstein	ibid.	31 Decemb 1839 5 o'clock in the evening.	1 January 1840 in the church of Arnstein	Anton Ruland, Dr. of Theol., City Pastor.	Joseph Maier, journeyman shoemaker here.

Historical Context

This document is a tabular extract from a German Catholic baptismal register (Taufregister), likely from the parish of Arnstein in Bavaria, dating to 1839-1840. It records the birth and subsequent baptism of Joseph Schulz. The record is highly detailed, providing not only the names of the parents but also their religion, residence, and the father's

occupation as a soap boiler. Notably, it includes a later marginal addition—a cross symbol (+) and a date (18 February 1841)—which was a common historical practice by parish priests to indicate the child's early death. The document is written in Kurrent script, the standard German handwriting of the era.

Details Mentioned

Principal Individuals:

- **Joseph Schulz**
 - **Role in Document:** Subject of Baptism (Child)
 - **Birth:** 31 December 1839, 5:00 PM, Arnstein
 - **Baptism:** 1 January 1840, Catholic Church, Arnstein
 - **Death:** 18 February 1841
 - **Relationships:** Son of Johann Schulz and Anna Maria Metzger. Noted as the 6th child.
- **Johann Schulz**
 - **Role in Document:** Father
 - **Occupation:** Seifensieder (Soap boiler)
 - **Religion:** Catholic
 - **Residence:** Arnstein
- **Anna Maria Metzger**
 - **Role in Document:** Mother
 - **Status:** Ehefrau (Wife)
 - **Religion:** Catholic
 - **Residence:** Arnstein

Associated Individuals:

- **Elis. Maier**
 - **Role in Document:** Midwife (listed under the child number).

- **Anton Ruland**
 - **Role in Document:** Officiant (Doctor of Theology, City Pastor / Stadtpfarrer).
- **Joseph Maier**
 - **Role in Document:** Godfather (Sponsor)
 - **Biographical Details:** Schuhmachergesell (Shoemaker journeyman), residing locally ("Dahier").

Key Findings

- **Birth and Baptism:** Joseph Schulz was born on December 31, 1839, in Arnstein, and baptized the following day, January 1, 1840.
- **Family Details:** He was the 6th child born to Johann Schulz, a Catholic soap boiler, and his wife Anna Maria Metzger.
- **Early Death:** A notation in the record indicates that Joseph died in infancy on February 18, 1841.

Suggested Next Steps

- You should search MyHeritage for the marriage record of Johann Schulz and Anna Maria Metzger in the Arnstein Catholic parish registers. Since Joseph was their 6th child, look for marriages around 1825-1830.
- You can look for the birth and baptismal records of Joseph's five older siblings in the same parish registers to reconstruct the family unit.
- You should check the Arnstein death registers around 18 February 1841 to find Joseph's death record, which may list the cause of his early death.
- Investigate the godparent, Joseph Maier, and the midwife, Elis. Maier. Their shared surname suggests they might be related to each other or to the parents, potentially offering clues to the mother's or father's extended family.
- You can explore local guild or occupational records in Arnstein for soap boilers (Seifensieder) to learn more about Johann Schulz's trade and social standing.

Full Text Transcription

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