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20 April 1876 – 6 March 1953

**Fr. António Júlio GOMES**

He was born in Carvas, Murça, on April 20, 1876 and entered the Society of Jesus on July 4, 1893. He studied philosophy in Setúbal and did his regency in Colégio de Campolide. He studied theology in Enghien, Belgium, where he was ordained priest on August 24, 1908. He was sent to the Zambezia Mission (Mozambique) in 1909. He took his final vows on February 02, 1910, in Quelimane. He was assigned to work in the mission of São Pedro Clavier of Miruro, Zumbo, where he worked as minister and procurator. He left Mozambique in 1912 and went to Nun'Álvres Institute in Jette-St-Pierre, Belgium. He helped Fr. Francisco Rodrigues in the collection of documents for the History of the Society of Jesus in the Portuguese Assistance, as well as he worked as Archivist of the Province. He lived in the residence of Póvoa de Varzim where he was in charge of the Mensageiro do Coração de Jesus newsletter. In 1933, he went to Braga and was always connected to the National Secretariat of the Apostleship of Prayer. He died in Braga on March 6, 1953.

(Cf. APSI, Livro das entradas no Noviciado do Barro, 1885 – 1897, 213/03; Necrológio; Mensageiro do Coração de Jesus, 1953, p. 182)