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3 April 1930 – 21 April 2021

Fr. José Afonso Camacho Rodrigues Marques PINTO

He was born in Santos-o-Velho, Lisbon, on 03 April 1930 and entered the Society of Jesus on 14 November 1956. He studied humanities, after his novitiate, in Soutelo and, then, he studied philosophy at the Faculty of Philosophy in Braga. From 1962 to 1964, he was in INA, working as teacher and dean of studies. He studied theology in Granada, Spain (1963-1967). He was ordained priest on July 3, 1966, in Lisbon. He worked as a military chaplain in Mozambique and then, in 1971, he was assigned to Mozambique to work as a missionary. There he worked at the mission of Chiritze, as well as at the Parish of Matacuane (1971 - 1975). In Portugal, he worked in several Parishes and was the ecclesiastical assistant of different movements. He returned to Mozambique in 1997 where he worked as parish priest of Vila Ulónguè, Mpenha and Msaladzi. He lived in Fonte Boa mission and he was present when, on 6 November 2006, the mission was attacked by robbers who murdered a Portuguese volunteer lay woman and a Brazilian Jesuit priest, both serving the parish. In 2009, he returned definitively to Portugal and was parish priest. He died on 21 April 2021.

(Cf. APSI, Livro das entradas, Necrológio, Catálogos)