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15 September 1935 – 2 August 1998

**Fr. José RIBEIRO JUNIOR**

He was born in Lugar de Sucres, Freguesia de Penude, Concelho de Lamego, Viseu, on 15 September 1935 and entered the Society of Jesus on 1 September 1951, at INA, Caldas da Saúde, where the Novitiate was provisionally located, after the fire at Costa. However, he practically did all his studies in Soutelo, Braga. After his humanities' studies, he did three years of philosophy at the Faculty of Philosophy in Braga (1954 - 1959). He left for the Zambézia Mission (Mozambique) in 1959 and did two years of regency at the Boroma mission, working as a teacher at the Teacher Training School. He also spent a year in Salisbury, Rhodesia, teaching at a School for Portuguese-speaking emigrants. In 1962, he went to San Cugat del Vallés, Barcelona, to study theology (1962 - 1964). He was ordained priest on 10 July 1965, in Soutelo. In 1966, he was sent to Rome to do a course in Pastoral Sociology and collaborated in the Portuguese section of Radio Vaticana. In 1967, he returned to Mozambique where he worked as superior of the mission of Fonte Boa and as director of the Azevedo Coutinho's College. In 1971, he went to Alcala, Spain, for his tertianship and he continued his pastoral studies in Madrid. In 1973, he returned to Mozambique, in Beira, where he worked as director of the Psych technical Centre and of the Student's Home. In 1975, he was sent to California, United States of America. He was chaplain to emigrants in Santa Clara. In 1982, he was appointed St. Elizabeth Parish's priest in Sacramento. From 1991 to 1994, he did a doctorate in Education at the University of San Francisco in San Francisco, California. In 1994, he returned to Portugal, working at the Faculty of Philosophy in Braga. He was a university lecturer and administrator of the Faculty. He died on the 2nd of August 1998, in Braga.

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