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9 December 1847 – 6 September 1916

**Fr. José da Cruz CRUZ Tavares**

He was born in Covilhã, on December 9, 1847 and entered the Society of Jesus on April 20, 1860, in Barro. He was ordained priest on May 26, 1877, in Amiens, France. He took his final vows on February 2, 1881. He worked as Socius to the Provincial as well as he was Provincial from December 25, 1886 until November 1, 1891. He also worked as Rector of the College of São Fiel. Between 1897 and 1898, he visited Mozambique. He also worked in the College of Campolide as superior of the residence of Póvoa. In 1910, he was the superior of the residence of Covilhã. In exile he was in Ciudad Rodrigo and Alseberg. He died in Pontevedra on September 6, 1916.

(Cf. APSI, Livro das entradas no Noviciado do Barro, 1860 – 1870, 213/01; Necrológio; R. P. José da Cruz Tavares, in Mensageiro do Coração de Jesus, 34 (1916), p. 698 - 703)