

**GONÇALVES DA COSTA José**

Was born in Belo Horizonte on 27th April 1914. He took his vows as a Redemptorist in Juiz de Fora on 2nd August 1933 and was ordained priest in Tiete on 18th December 1938. He was consecrated titular Bishop of Rhodopolis on 19th August 1962. He was named coadjutor to the Archbishop of Niterói on 19th August 1975, succeeding to the see on 19th April 1979.