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To

Rev. Fr. Jose Devasahayam, MSFS, Provincial

All the Confreres of the Brazil Province

All the other Family Members and friends of Fr. Jose Bruno Valentino and

All the MSFS Confreres worldwide

## TRIBUTE TO REV. FR. JOSE BRUNO VALENTINO JULIANO RODRIGUES MSFS

May the Peace and Joy of Christ be with you! Shalom!

With profound sorrow and Christian hope in the Resurrection, I, on behalf of the Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales, convey our heartfelt condolences at the passing of our beloved confrere, **Rev. Fr. Jose Bruno Valentino Juliano Rodrigues, MSFS**, who returned to his heavenly Father on **November 20, 2025 at 7:20 p.m.**, at the blessed age of **93**.

Fr. Bruno was enriched with Salesian virtues—humility, simplicity, readiness for mission, charity, joy, fidelity to prayer, obedience to superiors, and a heart grateful even for the smallest blessings. His entire life bore witness to a soul deeply anchored in God.

Arriving in Brazil in 1988, he soon won the hearts of the people through his simplicity, warmth, and ever-present smile. Within two years he was entrusted as Parish Priest, and throughout his ministry as pastor and assistant, he served with unwavering missionary zeal. Even in retirement, he continued to inspire through his generosity, having donated all his savings to the Province.

During his years of illness and physical frailty in 2016–17, when his back was bent and movement limited, Fr. Bruno remained remarkably cheerful and prayerful. He lovingly referred to his suffering as “his beloved,” embracing it as his share in Christ’s cross. He spoke to visitors about God’s love and humbly apologized even for the smallest fault. His devotion to the Rosary, his reverent celebration of the Eucharist, and his frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance reflected his deep spiritual discipline.

As a formator in our Pune and Nagpur Provinces before leaving for Brazil, Fr. Bruno shaped the priestly lives of many confreres who serve the Church today. His contributions to the erstwhile Maharashtra–Goa Province remain a cherished part of our MSFS history.

We gratefully remember this noble and saintly soul and commend him to the loving embrace of God, his Creator and Lord. May the Risen Christ grant him eternal rest, and may his exemplary life continue to inspire all of us in the MSFS family.

**May the soul of Fr Bruno, through the mercy of God, rest in peace! Amen.**

Yours in Christ Jesus, on behalf of the General Curia and the entire Congregation.

**Fr. Johnson Kallidukil MSFS**  
**Superior General**

**November 21, 2025**

**Maputo, Mozambique**



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