

This past August 22 Bro. Donné Romuald Marcellin Randrianantenaina was ordained to the priesthood during the closing ceremonies of the bicentennial of Fr. d'Alzon's birth in the Vice-Province of Madagascar. The event took place in the Assumptionist parish of Our Lady of the Assumption in Tulear.

During a celebration the evening before, after his parents gave him the traditional blessing, Bro. Romuald gave a moving testimony about his somewhat unusual path to the priesthood.



He entered the Assumptionist as a candidate for the priesthood but, with time, his formators recommended that he pursue the brotherhood instead. In his remarks, he admitted that this wasn't an easy decision to accept. He returned to village of his family where he became a teacher and catechist and continued his discernment. Eventually, he decided to accept the recommendation of his formators and returned to the community to begin his formation as a lay brother.

