

Fr. Rudolph Hould, SCJ

1882-1973

Born in 1882, Rudolph Hould led quite a busy life before entering the SCJ novitiate in Edmonton, Alberta, in 1927. After attending the diocesan seminary in Three Rivers, he followed his father's footsteps and began law studies. However, in 1904, his father died. Being the only son not yet married, he was responsible for his mother's financial support. For 23 years he worked as a math teacher.

After making his first profession, he and Fr. Damase Caron, SCJ, were sent to Louvain to study philosophy and theology. In 1932, he was ordained, and accepted a teaching position within the French Province. He later said that he wanted to repay the French Province for his education.

Fr. Hould began what became a long career in teaching. Over the years he helped, instructed and guided youth studying for the priesthood in Dehonian seminaries in France, Canada and the United States.

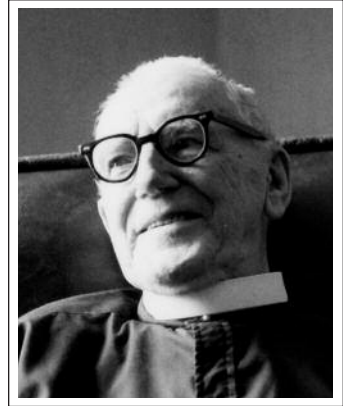
In the the United States he taught math and Latin at Divine Heart Seminary in Donaldson, Ind.

It was said that if a friend or student were upset, it didn't take long for "Hoody" to get him laughing again.

In 1943, he became rundown from overwork. A hospital examination revealed that he was on the road to a heart attack if he didn't slow his pace. Taking the doctor's advice, he went to Indiana Harbor for some rest and light work

In 1948, he returned to teaching at Paschal Baylon College, a Franciscan Adult Vocation Seminary in Montreal. There he taught math and Latin. In 1951, he went back to Divine Heart and taught French.

He spent some time as a hospital chaplain in East Chicago and later at a senior home in Detroit. But most of his years were as a teacher.



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