

Prof. Dr. mult. Roland Minnerath, archbishop of Dijon



1946 On 27th of November born in Sarreguemines (Mosel) as son of Alphonse and Lucie Minnerath. Studies of catholic theology at the University of Strasbourg and at the Pontifical University Gregoriana in Rome. Studies of history at the Sorbonne and of business administration in Paris IX Dauphine. Doctor's degree in business sciences, doctor's degree in catholic theology. Doctor's degree for canonical law.

1978 On 25th of June ordained priest.

1980 – 1989 employed in the diplomatic service of the Holy See first in Brazil, later in Germany and thereafter in the State Secretariat of the Vatican.

1989 – 2004 professor for ecclesiastical history and statutory relationship between church and state at the faculty for catholic theology at the University of Strasbourg. He is advisor of the State Secretariat of the Vatican, member of the International Theologian Committee, member of the Pontifical Academy for Social Sciences and of the mixed Committee for the theologian dialogue between catholics and orthodoxies.

Since – March 2004 archbishop of Dijon.

2005 Secretary for special missions of the episcopal synod.

2007 Knight of the Legion of Honour.

Minnerath is best reknown as author of many publications in the provinces of clerical law, social ethics, ecclesial history and similar.