Prison spiritual care in Czech Republic

This bachelor thesis presents and reviews the current state of the spiritual care provided to the imprisoned people in Czech Republic. The introduction to the thesis deals with the history of prison spiritual care in Czech Republic. Chapter two outlines the development of the prison system after 1989. It describes the types of prisons in Czech Republic and explains the purpose of serving the term of imprisonment. The third chapter outlines the principles of pastoral care and focuses on the particulars of pastoral care provided to prisoners.

The fourth chapter is dedicated to the documents that govern the spiritual care in the prison environment in terms of legal provisions as well as the internal regulations of the prison service. The last chapter discusses and evaluates the findings about the pastoral care in the prison environment from the point of view of the conciliar as well as post-conciliar documents that apply to the pastoral care in such environment. The Code of prison religious care is also compared with the conciliar and post-conciliar documents.

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