

ABSTRACT

Polemics between Antonín Lenz and Alfons Šťastný from Pardařov

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This thesis describes the theological debate between Antonín Lenz and Alfons Šťastný from Pardařov, which took place in the second half of the 19th century. This debate was the Czech contribution to the European catholic discussion on liberalism. None of the works were analysed in detail before. This thesis focuses on those parts of the work of Lenz and Šťastný that entail questions addressed by contemporary theology of that age. Both were prime representatives of free thinking in their time. The first chapter is an introduction into the contemporary context in which the polemics started, furthermore the life and work of both authors. The second chapter presents the anticlerical work of Šťastný and the reaction of Lenz to them. The third chapter concerns Lenz's christology described in his apologetic work against Šťastný.

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