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EASTER VIGILS IN HISTORY, ITS REFORMS SINCE THE PERIOD OF PIUS XII. TILL PRESENT AND ITS RECEPTION IN CHOSEN PARISHES OF DIOCESE ČESKÉ BUDĚJOVICE

This thesis focuses on the Easter Vigil Liturgy. Its first part is dedicated to the history and development of this feast with special focus on the period of liturgical reforms of Pius V., Pius XII. and the period after the second Vatican Council Its aim is the explanation of specific elements in the liturgy of this feast. This thesis is founded on specialized literature and contemporary liturgical books.

The second part aims to describe the understanding and impact of the reform on the believers, who celebrated this liturgy. This is done through a selected sample of parishes in the diocese of České Budějovice, which were and are bearers of life. By making use oral history, we follow the way how people perceived these changes of the forms of celebration and how they understood them. The thesis will be concluded by an analysis of both parts.

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