Summary

The title of this thesis is The Study of Theology in the Czech Franciscan Province during the 20th Century: a survey of the history of Czech theology. The main topic of this paper is an historical survey of study projects initiated by Czech Franciscans, of the persons themselves involved these studies, and of the works which they produced. The sources used are primarily interviews with contemporaries, then archival documents and scientific literature. First, the history of Czech Franciscans during 20th century is treated. Next, four main study projects are discussed: proposed Franciscan philosophical and theological studies in the first half of 20th century; the Studium Catholicum project; the secret theological studies in the time of communist totalitarianism; and the contemporary Institut Františkánských Studií (Institute of Franciscan Studies). The period under totalitarianism is covered in large part. Among the notables of Franciscan theology, the life and work of Jan Kapistrán Vyskočil, Jan Evangelista Urban, Jan Baptista Bárta, and Ctirad Václav Pospíšil are considered. Other figures, such as B.J. Wilhelm, K.F. Minařík, A.J. Tobola, C.J. Kadlec, Z.B. Bouše, R.M. Jáchym, and P.R. Beneš are also mentioned. At the end, many of the interesting titles of 20th century Czech Franciscan literature are presented. The thesis takes into consideration material up to the year 2000.

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