ABSTRACT

The interdiocesan tribunals in Erfurt and Prague – comparative study

The author of this bachelor work describes interdiocesan tribunals, first giving some general information about this type of tribunals and then discussing the two particular church courts in Erfurt and Prague. A brief outline of the historical developement of these tribunals is followed by a discussion of the personal and material conditions today. She compares the work of the courts of the past three (cases of marriage nullity) or five years (the other cases). The chapter "Meaning of canon law for the cases of marriage nullity from the pastoral point of view" can be regarded as a short excourse. In the end, the student arrives at the conclusion that - considering the rising number of requests for marriage nullity — there should either be more people working at the tribunals or else the judges should have fewer duties outside the court. To make research on the topic easier, she suggests to publish the particular norms from the Czech bishops' conference.