

**Název disertační práce v anglickém jazyce:** Parish chronicles as a source of religious and social history using the example of commemorative books of parishes in the deanery of Velke Mezirici.

**Anotace v anglickém jazyce:**

The parish chronicles in themselves conceal an indelible link of parish administrators and they are often the only surviving trace of their thoughts and actions. Individual records in themselves preserve not only the mentality of their writers, but also the valuable data from the life story of parishes. The dissertation thesis *Parish chronicles as a source of religious and social history using the example of commemorative books of parishes in the deanery of Velke Mezirici* brings the first complete view of the issue of the existence of parish chronicles and their use of the modern historical work in the field of religious and social history. It tries to highlight the important role of ego-documents to reconstruct the history of the life in the parish. In addition to the evaluation of the positive effects of the chronicle as a work of art, commemorative or official books, the thesis includes closer look at different types of documents and the structure of their scripts. For the analysis and the comparison there was made a representative sample of 915 specimens of parish chronicles of Czech and Moravian ecclesiastical provinces whose inventory provides one of the annexes. Within the different forms for recording data the author of the work presents the perspective on the issue of standards which were published home and abroad for the establishment and the management of commemorative books in parishes. Further attention is paid to the historical development of Velke Mezirici Deanery and also to the comparison of the chronicles of parishes. The conclusion includes assessment of the findings and the potential future use of the source.