

Abstract

Changes in canon penal law since 1983

The aim of the thesis is to introduce a well-arranged survey of all the changes that took part in the substantive canon penal law since the publication of the Code of Canon Law for the western (Latin) church in 1983. The first part of the thesis is dedicated to a brief overview of the history of canon law including the preparation of the publication of the new Code. In the second part, substantive canon penal law, which is nearly completely contained in the Book VI of the Code, is introduced in more detail. The third part chronologically lists all the changes that took part in the period from 1983 to 2021. The fourth part deals with current legislation promulgated by apostolic constitution of pope Francis *Pascite gregem Dei*. The last part of the thesis gives a brief evaluation of the development described in the preceding parts. There are two tables enclosed to the thesis, the first of which compares Book VI of the Code of Canon Law with the current norms of substantive penal law, the second contains the text of the new Book VI of the Code in Latin original with parallel Czech translation.