

## **ABSTRACT**

This thesis focuses on the significance of the mother tongue in the religious life of the Hungarian minority in the Czech Republic. At the same time it examines the impact of the mother tongue on the formation and maintenance of the religious identity in a linguistically diverse majority community environment. The paper aims to explore both individual and community perspectives. It also introduces Hungarian organisations in the Czech Republic that play an important role in the development of religious identity (Hungarian Catholic Parish in Prague, Iglice Association). The qualitative research was conducted in the form of questionnaires and the respondents were Hungarians living in the Czech Republic.

In terms of literature, the thesis draws primarily on Hungarian-language works to formulate definitions, but the components of the overall theoretical framework also include writings by foreign authors, thus offering the reader a broader perspective. The bibliography is enriched by additional articles on the subject, which strengthens the content of the essay.