

State versus Church – church Policy of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia in Příbram

Abstract

The bachelor's thesis aims to analyze the issue of state institutions in relation to the church during the years 1948 to 1953 in the town of Příbram. Thanks to the Roman Catholic parish near the Church of the Assumption of the Virgin Mary, known as the Holy Mountain, the region was and still is an important ecclesiastical, especially Catholic, pilgrimage center, but religious life was varied. For this reason, state intervention was necessary due to the philosophy of the ruling party. The work will focus on the steps taken by the state authorities in the fight against the church life in Příbram. The work will primarily be based on the analysis and interpretation of archival documents, especially on the records of the district church secretary working within the district national committee of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia in Příbram.

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church, church policy, Czechoslovakia, communist party of Czechoslovakia, Communist Party, Příbram