

English abstract

Title:

Liturgy of the Hours, its Historical Forms and Options for the Celebration in Contemporary Czech Parishes

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The paper is devoted to the history and theology of the Liturgy of Hours with the accent on its application in contemporary Czech parishes. It tries to find the answer to the question how celebrate the main parts of the Divine Office on religious holidays in ordinary parishes in order to make breviary: a meaningful and viable enrichment of the pastoral agenda for parishes; a source for the spiritual life of the believers; an attractive ritual for the non-believers; an enrichment and not the obligation for priests. The knowledge of the history and theology of breviary, the teaching of the Magisterium and the necessary sociopastoral data about contemporary parish communities are used for the analysis. The discussion about possible return to the so-called cathedral office makes part of the paper. The character of the papers allows its future application as a theological ground rewritable into a certain handbook for the celebration of the Liturgy of the Hours in parishes.

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