

Annotation of History of the chapel at the Konopiště castle

The deal of work is a trial to give an assistance in exploring of chapel at the Konopiště castle and to bring a comprehensive scene of its history, interferences of particular holders, inner equipment's changes and to outline spiritual life of the former centuries.

The work contains six parts. The first one briefly informs about the history of the Konopiště castle from its foundation to expropriation by the Czechoslovak republic. The second part analyzes architectural evolution of the chapel, that presents basic and the oldest part of whole object. The following chapter describes inventory of the chapel. The main attention is given to rococo inventory and to collections of Franz Ferdinand d'Este, which are at the chapel in the majority part still today. In the fourth chapter there is written the church celebrations and feasts, made during the days of Franz Ferdinand d'Este. In rich photographic inventory fund there has been preserved many photographs from these occasions, mainly from the celebration of Corpus Christi, which had been periodically organized. In the present this tradition has been returned. By this I come to write of the fifth chapter, the present. The castle is now in keeping of National heritage institut and it is opened for public. Besides classical tours the castle offers another actions, also the church actions, made in the castle chapel. In closing charter I summarized and rated previous text and added my opinion of importance and contribution of the chapel.