Episcopal Consecration in Pilsen

On 30th April 2016 Msgr. Tomáš Holub, secretary general of the Czech Bishops’ Conference and dean of the Vyšehrad Collegiate Chapter in Prague, was consecrated as a diocesan bishop of Pilsen (West Bohemia). The Diocese of Pilsen was erected in 1993 by secession from the Archdiocese of Prague. Msgr. Tomáš Holub is its second bishop.

He was born on 16th August 1967 in Jaroměř and ordained priest on 28th August 1993 in Hradec Králové (East Bohemia). He is known as one of the two Catholic military chaplains serving in the armed forces of the Czech Republic in 1996, participating in the international peace missions IFOR/SFOR, operating in the former Yugoslavia. He was the first chief chaplain in the Armed Forces of the Czech Republic (1998–2006).

Msgr. Tomáš Holub, the new bishop of Pilsen, was consecrated by Cardinal Dominik Duka OP, Archbishop of Prague, Primate of Bohemia, and by Bishop František Radkovský, emeritus of Pilsen, and Bishop Rudolf Voderholzer of Regensburg, Germany.
New Secretary General of the Czech Bishops’ Conference

Dr. Stanislav Přibyl CSsR, the former provincial of the Czech province of Redemptorists, vicar general of the Diocese of Litoměřice (North Bohemia), was elected as a new secretary general of the Czech Bishops’ Conference.

Father Přibyl was born on 16th November 1971 in Prague and is a member of the Church Law Society.

74th Evening Event of the Church Law Society

General meeting of members of the Church Law Society, organized once in two years, took place on 3rd May 2016 in a lecture room of the School of Law, Charles University in Prague. Professor Jiří Rajmund Tretera was re-elected a chairman of the Society, Associate Professor Záboj Horák was confirmed as a vice-chairman.

Dr. Drahomír Suchánek, significant historian, lecturer of the School of Arts, Charles University in Prague, and a member of the Society, gave a lecture on the topic Legacy of Charles IV: Theory and Practice of Governance of Mediaeval Monarch. 42 members and sympathizers of the Church Law Society attended the event.

By the lecture, the Church Law Society joined monumental celebration of the 700th anniversary of the birth of Charles IV of Luxembourg, King of Bohemia and Roman Emperor, founder of the Charles University in Prague, which takes place through the Czech Republic and has been included in the UNESCO list of important world anniversaries in the years 2016–17. For more information visit www.charles700.cuni.cz.

From the left Dr. Drahomír Suchánek and Prof. Jiří Rajmund Tretera.

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The Cardiff Festival for Law and Religion

More than 120 specialists on religion law from all over the world, especially from Wales, England, Scotland, Ireland, the United States of America, Scandinavia, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Belgium and the Czech Republic met on 5th and 6th May 2016 at the Cardiff University. Together they celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the LLM studies in Canon Law at Cardiff University, founded by Prof. Norman Doe, Director of the Centre for Law and Religion. The Festival was also an annual conference of the Law and Religion Scholars Network (LARSN).

Approximately 50 lectures in various sections took place during two days. The Czech Republic was represented by Prof. Jiří Rajmund Tretera (Distinguished Academic Associate of Centre for Law and Religion, Cardiff) and doc. Záboj Horák, who gave a lecture on the topic Religious Ministers and Labour Law in the Czech Republic.

Meeting with editors and bloggers took place on the second day of the conference under the tutelage of Dr. Russell Sandberg, Cardiff University. This plenary session involved the editors of several Law and Religion related journals and a leading blog in conversation, especially Ecclesiastical Law Journal (Dr. Will Adam), Law and Justice (John Duddington), Oxford Journal for Law and Religion (Julian Rivers) and Law & Religion UK (www.lawandreligionuk.com, Frank Cranmer and David Pocklington).

A book The Confluence of Law and Religion, Interdisciplinary Reflections on the Work of Norman Doe, was presented, containing 18 articles by British and foreign authors. The book was prepared by close colleagues of Prof. Doe from the Centre for Law and Religion of the Cardiff University, Frank Cranmer, Mark Hill, Celia Kenny and Russell Sandberg.

Festive dinner was held at the end of the conference at Glamorgan Building in Cardiff, during which Prof. Mark Hill QC of London gave thanks to Prof. Norman Doe for his lifetime work.

Presentation of the book The Confluence of Law and Religion.

From the left: Dr. Russell Sandberg, Frank Cranmer, Prof. Mark Hill QC, Prof. Norman Doe.

Photo Záboj Horák
New Review on Religion Law announced

La Revue du droit des religions est une revue semestrielle à comité de lecture publiée par les Presses universitaires de Strasbourg et consacrée à la régulation juridique du fait religieux. Elle couvre l’ensemble des disciplines juridiques dans leurs rapports avec les religions, qu’il s’agisse des différentes branches du droit public et du droit privé français, mais aussi du droit international, du droit européen ou du droit comparé.

En s’appuyant sur les différentes branches du droit français, mais aussi sur les systèmes juridiques étrangers et internationaux, elle explore les relations entre droit et religions en éclairant les défis posés par la sécularisation et la diversité religieuse qui caractérisent notre temps.

Pour chaque numéro, la revue présente un dossier thématique, des varia et des chroniques sur l’actualité du droit des religions en France et à l’étranger. Contact: revuedroitreligions@misha.fr.

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