

## **Summary**

The thesis *Renewal of the Augustinian Lay Community in the Czech Republic after 1989* deals with the renewal of religious life in Augustinian laymen communities in the Czech Republic that started in the last decade of the 20th century. The development of this renewal is pursued against the backdrop of political and social changes in the Czech society, and in the Catholic Church in general. The Order of St. Augustine, its history, monastic rules, and spirituality, including its lay community, are introduced briefly too. A comparison of religious life both in the Czech Republic and in Italy, where it took place continuously for centuries, helps clarify the process of renewal.