

Abstract

The topic of the work *"We Zbyněk, by the Grace of God Archbishop of Prague, Legate of the Holy Apostolic See, Supreme Council of His Grace the Roman Emperor, Master of the Crusaders with the Red Star..."* Or, the Life of the Archbishop of Prague in the Rudolphine Period will be the life of the tenth Archbishop of Prague, Zbyněk Berka of Dubá and Lipá, whose episcopate is bordered by the years 1592 to 1606.

Archbishop Zbyněk Berka came from the birth of the Old Bohemian Ronovec family, from a Catholic-oriented one branches of the Berk of Dubá and Lipá and sat on the throne of St. Adalbert in agony years - in the second half of the reign of Emperor Rudolf II. During his episcopate thus he experienced an alternating growing government of non-Catholics with a political turnaround associated with the rise of a new generation of Catholic-bred lords in the late 90's. century. Zbyněk himself was an ardent supporter of the recatholic p16th program, within which, among other things, in 1605 he convened a diocesan synod in Prague, which represented a response to the reforms of the Council of Trent and their implementation on our territory. In the same year he wrote the work *Synodus archidioecesana Pragensis* reflecting synodal provisions.

The work will try to reflect on the Czech confessional issues associated with the functioning of the reoccupied Prague the archbishopric as one of the leading tools of the recatholicisation program and especially the personal archbishop's plan for action against non-Catholics. Like one of the aims of the work is to gain insight into the archbishop's daily life and personality, mapping and approaching his life destinies, career and activities in the archbishop's office. The main part of the work will be the time of Zbyněk's episcopate focused on his steps as the highest Czech clergyman, but also as an influential prelate of the Central European dimension.