The church organisation of Hungary under its first king, Saint Stephen (ruled between 997-1038), resulted in the building of the first monasteries (e.g. Pannonhalma), cathedrals (e.g. Kalocsa, Veszprém and Pécs) and provostships (e.g. Székesfehérvár). These churches mostly disappeared during the centuries, but their spatial organisation can be partly reconstructed. One of their common features is the complexity of the western parts. On the one hand, various architectural types can be found (western apse with crypt, transversal mass with towers, two-tower façade), but origins of an architectural tradition can also be detected. The main element of this tradition, complementary to former research, is not the westwork, but the presence of two western towers which will be a "leitmotiv" of the later Romanesque architecture in Hungary.

1996 is a year of continuous celebrations of various anniversaries in Hungary. First of all, the ancestors of the Hungarians arrived in the Carpathian basin 1100 years ago. The 1000-year celebration of the same event, the Millennium in 1896, is worthy of commemoration in itself. Nevertheless, the Benedictines celebrate their first thousand year presence in Hungary, in the monastery on Mount St Martin (called Pannonhalma since the 19th century). Prior to this, commemorated with an attractive exhibition accompanied by a three-volume catalogue,¹ the buildings of the monastery were restored. During the archaeological excavations, connected to this renovation, the remains of the first abbey church came to light — as the most precious praise in itself. This recovery threw new light on the western complexes of Hungarian churches of the early 11th century. Therefore it is quite reasonable to overview the sacral architecture of this period from the perspective of the arrangements of the west end of the churches.

Since the Carolingian period western parts of the churches had been usually built in a complex form and were separated in a way from the rest of the building. In the Ottonian period new tendencies appeared. The Carolingian westwork lost its autonomous arrangement and was gradually integrated into the space of the church. Similarly, the usage of these rooms was transformed and the previous liturgical functions partly disappeared or survived in a modified form. New, less complicated types of arrangements appeared at the west end of the churches in the Ottonian period, preceding some of the standard types of Romanesque architecture, among them the two-tower façade.²

Remarkable debates appeared just in this respect in the last decades. Following Hans Reinhard, scholars reconstructed monuments, previously thought to have had two western towers, with a middle tower or a group of towers at the west.³ Nowadays these critics seem to be too rigorous and scholars tend to accept the traditional reconstruction.⁴ We are well in time to reconsider the significance of the East Central European region in the history of the two-tower façade.

In this respect we have to re-evaluate Hungarian monuments modifying the earlier concepts which were based essentially on Carolingian prototypes.⁵ In the following overview we will reconsider which types of western complexes were characteristic of the Hungarian churches in the early 11th century, in which sense were these common or divergent, and how their difference or similarity can be explained.

The monastery of Pannonhalma originated in the time of Duke Géza (died in 997). After his death, privileges were granted to the monastery in 1001/2 by his son, the first Hungarian king, Saint Stephen (ruled between 997-1038).⁶ With this act he not only laid the foundation of the first Hungarian Benedictine monastery but started the great work organising the Latin Church in his country.

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Stages of the construction of the abbey

- Early building (10th/12th centuries)
- Walls and groundwalls of the early building (10th/12th centuries) pulled down
- 13th century
- 15th-16th centuries
- 19th century

1. Sanctuary and high altar (13th, 15th and 19th c.)
2. Crypt (prior to 1224)
3. Gates of the crypt (1700)
4. Tomb of abbot László Czudár (1372)
5. Tomb of abbot Szigfrid (1365)
6. Saint Emeric’s altarpiece (19th c.)
7. Saint Ladislas’s altarpiece (19th c.)
8. Renaissance gate with the coat-of-arms of Mátyás Tolnai (ca 1510)
9. Chapel of Mary (ca 1510 and 19th c.)
10. Saint Benedict’s chapel (ca 1466)
11. The „King’s Gate” (prior to 1224)
12. Northern gate from the early building of the church (10th/12th c.)
13. Pulpit (19th c.)
14. Porta speciosa (prior to 1224)
15. Fragment of Volto santo fresco (1290-1400)

fig. 1. Fannonhalm, stages of the construction of the abbey church (by I. Takács indicating the excavations of Cs. László)
great western tower, built from 1828 in neo-classical style. The previous state of this western part is known from some drawings of the 18th and 19th centuries (Fig. 2). These drawings served as a starting point for the hypothesis of Melinda Tóth that the first building did not disappear totally. In an article on the art and architecture in the time of Saint Stephen she realised that the great western apse, represented on these drawings, could not have been part of the building of the 13th century, but fits well to the early 11th century.

The recent archaeological excavation proved this hypothesis, finding the walls of a western apse under the present tower (Fig. 3). Its northern and southern parts were destroyed by the basements of the tower of the 19th century, but the central part survived together with the fragments of a window on the north and a niche on the south. The original terrazzo floor of the room is almost 2 meters under the present bottom surface. Thus it can be reconstructed as a crypt with a sanctuary above it. However, this original arrangement was changed in the 13th century, when the crypt was filled up to the same level of the nave and a new tribune was built over it. This phase is represented on a longitudinal section from 1787 (Fig. 4).

In a room north of these parts another basement was found in the summer of 1995. Its north-west end forms a quarter of a circle and continues towards the east. Unfortunately, its relation to the apse is not clear; however, it is quite probable that it is a basement of a round tower. On the plan of the 19th century already mentioned (Fig. 5), there is an inscription just over this part with the words “Kleiner runder Thurm?” This can be the sign of the memory of a medieval turret, already demolished by the 19th century. Moreover, there are representations of the monastery from the 18th century showing it with towers. One of these towers could be connected to the round-shaped basements.

What is more, the wall of the south aisle, earlier than the 13th century, seems to turn originally to the south not far from the apse. Opposite to it, the wall of the north aisle
has a large buttress. The buttress can be dated to the 13th century but it probably replaced another earlier structure. Consequently, the church seems to be wider in its original form at the western part. It can be described as a western transept or an enlargement for tribunes. This part was connected to the western apse with crypt and a pair of round towers.

The western apse with crypt and transept appears quite frequently in the Ottonian period. One of its well-known example is the cathedral of Bamberg, founded by emperor Henry II, brother-in-law of king Stephen the Saint. We know that the Hungarian archbishop Anastas/Astrik took part in the synod of the foundation of the bishopric (1007) as well as on the consecration of the cathedral (1012). The original western apse of Worms, dated between 1000 and 1018, was connected to two round towers. An earlier example, the second building of the Abdinghofkirche at Paderborn from c. 850 already unified the transept, apse and round towers at the west. A similar arrangement with a crypt but with rectangular towers can be found at the St Stephen church at Würzburg, dated to the first third of the 11th century. In fact, the best parallel I have found is the cathedral of Merseburg, where the apse with a crypt, transept and round towers are together from the first half of the 11th century, although at the east end of the church.

Though this arrangement is well-known in Western Europe, it is extremely rare in Hungarian architecture. On the other hand, we have to realise that the architecture of the time of King Stephen is very poorly known. The other monasteries founded by the king, as Bakonybél, Zobor, Pécsvár and Zalavár, have mostly disappeared, and the arrangement of the western parts of their buildings cannot be reconstructed.

On the other hand, in organising the Christian church the first Hungarian king founded not only monasteries but bishoprics too. According to the tradition, the ecclesiastical system with two archbishops and eight suffragan bishops was fully developed by the end of his rule. Some of the cathedrals of this early system can be partly reconstructed. In the following, I will present the cathedrals of Kalocsa, Veszprém and Pécs, and finally turn to the provostship of Székesfehérvár, the favourite foundation of the king.

Unfortunately we have no information how the first cathedral of Esztergom, the seat of the leader of the Hungarian Church looked like. On the other hand, the cathedral of the other archbishopric, Kalocsa is better known. The present cathedral is Baroque in style but stands on the basement of a building of the early 13th century. Its arrangement with transept, ambulatory and apsidios, widespread in the West, is unique in Hungary. However, the building of the 13th century was preceded by another one, different in type and orientation. Its arrangement is known mainly from the excavations of Imre Henszlmann in the 19th century. As it is indicated on his plan (Fig. 6), he found massive foundations of towers on the western parts of the church. On the east, according to his description, “die Reste des südöstlichen Thurmes sind in grösserer Höhe erhalten”. We do not know exactly, what Henszlmann found there, however, this was fundamental for his theory on the early Hungarian cathedrals reconstructed with four towers. This theory was later refused by Ernő
Foer, who led the restoration of the cathedral between 1907-12. In 1910-11 he excavated the remains of the apse of the early cathedral in the sanctuary of the present church (Fig. 7). Contrary to Henszmann’s hypothesis, he did not find remains of eastern towers, what is more, he explained the western foundations as the walls of an atrium and a narthex (Fig. 8).

It is clear that Foer’s reconstruction of the first cathedral as a paleo-Christian basilica cannot be accepted and, at least for the western parts, we should return to Henszmann’s concept. The large foundations seem to be of towers, and because their inner walls are less strong, this complex can be reconstructed as a transversal mass with two towers. The basements east of this structure can be later, as it was noticed during a short excavation more recently, or, if they are from the same period, they belonged to rooms with tribunes. Anyhow, it seems to be a complicated structure with towers and tribunes. The next wall towards the east can mark the border of this part, and the fact that this foundation was broken by two tombs not later then the 12th century, can demonstrate how the western complex was gradually integrated into the space of the church.

The presence of towers at the west can be assumed in another cathedral too. The bishopric of Veszprém is considered to be the earliest one in Hungary. According to the sources, the cathedral was founded and donated by Gisella, wife of King Stephen. The cathedral was associated with the Hungarian queens during the whole Middle Ages — it was used for their coronation and there was here a sedes reginalis. Thus its significance is parallel in a way with that of Székesfehérvár, to be described later, and these ques-
tions are perhaps not independent from the arrangement of the western complex of the building.

The Romanesque façade of the present church is the result of the restoration of 1907-10 (Fig. 9).\textsuperscript{29} Previously it was Baroque in style, rebuilt in 1723, but preserving the walls of the medieval cathedral (Fig. 10).\textsuperscript{30} Its sanctuary, with the crypt, belongs to the period of 1400, but a considerable part of the building is from the 11th century. Some carvings related to the style became widespread in Hungary in the second third of the 11th century and can date the building\textsuperscript{31} (The closest parallel is from the nearby monastery of Tihany, founded by king Andrew I in 1055\textsuperscript{32}). The church was built with a nave and two aisles but the two central bays have two extra aisles. Above these extensions and the western bays of the aisles there were tribunes (Fig. 11).

The medieval arrangement of the western parts is not exactly known but the core of the western complex is from the early church. The examinations led by Sándor Tóth in
1968-73, demonstrated that the ground floor of the north tower was originally closed to the east, west, and north, but open to the south. It had a barrel vault which was redone twice in the Middle Ages. The south tower, where a Baroque staircase can be found, may have looked identical. The wall of this tower proved to be medieval above the tribune level.

The continuous presence of western towers of the building is proved by representations of the 16-17th century (Fig. 12). They could be dated to the Gothic rebuilding of the church c. 1400. However, the redone barrel vaulting in the north tower points to the Romanesque period. So the western towers seem to belong to the Romanesque phase and it is also possible that this arrangement goes back to the first cathedral.

Even less known is the early phase of the cathedral of Pécs. The present church dates from the restoration of 1882-91 when it was totally rebuilt in neo-Romanesque style (Fig. 13). However, the main structure is from the 12th century. The three-aisled, basilical church has three apses at the east, a large crypt and four towers, two at each end of the building added to the last bays of the aisles on the north and the south side (Fig. 14).

The only source how the Romanesque western façade of the cathedral looked like is a drawing of Mark Weinmann from the end of the 18th century (Fig. 15). It is strange that on the ground floor the walls of the towers form a homogeneous mass with the façade of the aisles. The decoration...
of the upper floors is probably from the 12-13th century. In the upper part of the façade five round-shaped windows are represented, in contradiction with the basilical arrangement of the 12th century. According to Melinda Tóth’s hypothesis, these parts may be the remains of a transversal western complex of the earlier cathedral. The arches visible in the walls of the façade can be traces of the former connection between the building and a Paleo-Christian mausoleum in the vicinity, the so-called Cella Trichora. This mausoleum of the 4th century was still in use in the 11-12th century. It is quite possible that this building served as a sacred centre for the western complex of Pécs cathedral. And it is also significant that a large tribune was planned for the western part of the rebuilt cathedral of the 12th-13th century, following somehow the earlier structure.

Although King Stephen established ten cathedrals, his favourite foundation was the provostship at Székesfehérvár. The provostship, dedicated to the Virgin Mary, was donated by the king after his victories over a Hungarian duke, Gyula (1003) and the Bulgarians (1018). It served as a royal chapel, being exempt from the jurisdiction of the bishop and after 1181 from that of the archbishop. The royal crown and the most important relics and treasures of the kingdom were kept here. Until 1527 almost all the Hungarian kings were crowned in this church, and a great number of them were buried here. Originally, it was planned as the burial place of the founder, King Stephen. His son, Emericus, died earlier than his father. Both were sepulchred in this church and their relics were venerated by pilgrims after their canonisation in 1083. The church was consecrated only when the king died in 1038. Still, the donation of a chasuble in 1031 (later used as coronation mantle) and the burial of prince Emericus here in the same year suggest that some parts of it were already usable. Some of the mentioned functions could have been in connection with the church’s western complex.

After 145 years of Turkish occupation and various sieges, the materials of the ruined church were reused for building the Episcopal palace in the early 19th century. A few decades later, in 1848, the first excavation has started. On the eastern parts there were archaeological campaigns in 1862 and 1882, in 1936, between 1969-71 and after 1988 until 1993. Recently the excavation is still in process, led by Piroska Biczó. Although the results were not yet published, we have some starting points for the reconstruction.

The church was a three-aisled basilica with a huge apse and two chamber-like rooms on both sides at the east. The church was vaulted in the 14th century and enlarged with a great late Gothic sanctuary. The western parts, however, are less certain.

First of all, the remains of a large tower on the western part of the basilica were uncovered by Henszlmann (Fig. 16). This huge building is Gothic in style, but it is not the first one on this site. Under this tower the remains of an earlier structure were detected (Fig. 17). Similarly, some basement of a rectangular building, probably a tower were found at the western end of the north aisle. Therefore the basic elements at the west of the early church seem to be a pair of towers. Now the question is, how did the middle
part between the towers look. Kralovánszky found remains of piers in the nave, so the room between the towers and the nave were divided by arches. Unfortunately the south wing of the Episcopal palace is situated over the most important rooms. Nevertheless, basements of a four-lobed pier and a column, lying west of the south tower, suggested reconstructing the whole structure as a westwork of that type which is arranged with several pillars on the ground floor (Vollwestwerk). However, this type is characteristic rather for the Carolingian period and we could hardly find parallels for it in the Ottonian era. The basements of the pillars do not prove such a reconstruction either. The foundation of the four-lobed south pier is quite week, and therefore it may have not supported complex structures. What is more, this room was opened by arches on the south and west, so it can be described as a kind of entrance hall rather than the ground floor of a westwork. There are also arguments to consider this part a somewhat later addition.

So it is quite probable that the original structure was a kind of two-tower façade. In fact, the drawings from the 16-18th century represent the church almost consequently with two towers (Fig. 18). Although the realistic values of these prints are questionable, at least the number of the towers is perhaps acceptable.

As we have seen, the churches founded and built by King Stephen in the early 11th century represent various types of western complexes. At Pannonhalma the western apse with crypt and a transept or tribunes, at Pécs a transversal mass, at Székesfehérvár, Kalocsa, and perhaps Veszprém a
kind of two-tower façade can be reconstructed. The variety of these architectural solutions is not surprising, considering the different sources of the early Hungarian Christianity. Not to mention the Byzantine influences, monks and missionaries came mainly from German monasteries and bishoprics. According to the tradition, St Wolfgang made the first efforts to christianise Hungarians. Wolfgang, educated in the Reichenau and Würzburg, lived as a monk in Einsiedeln. After his attempt to convert Hungarians he became bishop of Regensburg (972-994). Another, more successful missionary was bishop Bruno, coming from St Gallen. The missionary work was partly coordinated by bishop Pilgrim of Passau (970-991). Although the influence of St Adalbert, bishop of Prague is perhaps less important, the activity of his associates as Radla, archbishop of Esztergom seems to be essential; this group mediated the influence of Magdeburg and Mainz. It is evident that priests arrived together with Gisella from Regensburg to the Hungarian court. Arnoldus of Regensburg came to Esztergom around 1028 where he propagated the liturgy of St Emmeram. These sporadic facts are not enough to reconstruct the whole palette of the sources of the early Hungarian Christianity, nevertheless, they can signify the main trends. Thus we have to count the influences of Suabia, Salzburg-Passau, Mainz-Magdeburg and Regensburg. 

These connections could inspire not only the liturgy of the young Hungarian church but its church architecture as well. However, within the variety of the enumerated monuments a special feature seems to return consequently, namely the western towers. This type of arrangement is known from the Upper Rhine region. It is problematic, whether the first cathedral of Strassburg was built with a two-tower façade by Bishop Werner between 1015-28, or whether it can be reconstructed with one tower over the central portion of the façade and two staircase turrets built onto the eastern corners of the central tower, identically with the present state of St Thomas at Strassburg. In fact, the ground plan is closer to the two-tower façade.

However, there is a monument built with two western towers and it was ecclesiastically related to Strassburg. That is the St Leodegar church at Schönenvorder. Bishop Remigius of Strassburg gave it to the chapter of Strassburg cathedral in 778 and a provostship came into existence here after 800. The present church can be dated to the second quarter of the 11th century. On the western part of the building there were two towers built over a transversal mass (Querbau). Between the towers there was an open entrance hall on the ground floor. The core of the structure was a chapel on the first floor, wide as the whole church and open to the nave.

The nearby Benedictine abbey of Muri was founded by Rabot, ancestor of the Hapsburgs, together with the above mentioned Werner of Strassburg. The church can be dated between 1032 and 1064, and was rebuilt several times. On the western side there is a pair of towers. Although the northern one is Gothic above the tribune level, the southern tower is a Romanesque construction up to its 21.5 m height. So the western part can probably be reconstructed with two towers, similarly to that of Strassburg. Two other Benedictine monasteries of Suabia, the first
The church of Schaffhausen\textsuperscript{61} (dated between 1050 and 1064) and St Aurelius church at Hirsau\textsuperscript{62} (built in 1059-71) were also built with two western towers. The first monks came to Muri, Schaffhausen and Hirsau from Einsiedeln. There are arguments for a reconstruction of this church (1031-39) with a two-tower façade too.\textsuperscript{45} Thus it can be accepted that one of the most important territories in the early history of the two-tower façade was the Suabian region.

The early Hungarian connections with Suabia were not limited to the ecclesiastic sphere. Suabian nobles came to the Hungarian court already during the reign of Duke Géza. They played a leading role in the battle between Saint Stephen and his pagan rival Koppany (c. 997).\textsuperscript{46} Nevertheless, we should not forget about bishop Bruno of Augsburg (1006-29), brother of Queen Gisella. From Augsburg we know a church with two-tower façade, as well (St Stephen, built from 968/9).\textsuperscript{45} Some years later a relative of King Stephen married the Suabian Count Eppo von Nellenburg, father of the founder of the above-mentioned monastery at Schaffhausen.\textsuperscript{66}

Even more important could be Hungary's connections with Bavaria at this time. The two-tower façade was known here too. The cathedral of Salzburg rebuilt by archbishop Hartwik (991-1023) had a massive western complex. Although its reconstruction is not evident, most probably it had a two-tower façade.\textsuperscript{67} This kind of arrangement was also used in other Bavarian buildings at that time. The Benedictine monastery of Tegernsee still preserves the remains of the two original western towers of the early 11th century.\textsuperscript{68} We have sources proving the connections between these centres and Hungary. King Stephen is mentioned in the necrologies of the abbeys of Tegernsee\textsuperscript{69} and St Peter at Salzburg.\textsuperscript{70}

Hence the presence of the two-tower façade in the early Hungarian architecture can be explained by architectural parallels and ecclesiastical and other connections. However, it is possible that Hungary was not an exception in this respect in the region. There is sporadic evidence from Bohemia and Poland that this structure was also known there. It is not clear if the second church at Stará Boleslav, in Bohemia, (consecrated in 1046) can be interpreted with a two-tower façade,\textsuperscript{71} and the reconstruction of the Benedictine monastery church at Ostrov (founded before 1000) is similarly uncertain.\textsuperscript{72} The Polish cathedrals of Poznan and Gniezno (from the last quarter of the 10th century and later) are also reconstructed sometimes with two western towers.\textsuperscript{73}

Thus, if we have noticed that the various western complexes of the churches of the early 11th century point to the different origins and unmatured character of the young Hungarian Christianity, we should recognise the first signs of the appearance of an architectural tradition. Western complexes with two towers seem to be more typical for the Hungarian sacral architecture of the period than complexes with westworks, for which it would be hard to find parallels as late as the 11th century. This practice was continued on the buildings of royal Benedictine churches from the late 11th century (Garamszentbenedek,\textsuperscript{74} founded in 1075 and Somogyvár,\textsuperscript{75} founded in 1091) and the western towers, sometimes with complicated inner arrangements, later became an essential element of smaller monasteries of
Hungarian aristocratic families as the church at Lébény (1208-1220 c.) or at Ják (c. 1220-1240s).\(^1\)

On the other hand, we have to emphasise that the early examples certainly differed substantially from the later ‘harmonic’ two-tower façades. The reconstruction of Schönenvord is significant not only because of the presence of the towers but because it demonstrates how they were put onto a transversal mass. The typical Ottonian buildings may have appeared for their Romanesque visitors a bit ponderous and complicated; nevertheless, some of the important features of Romanesque architecture go back in a way to just these Ottonian elements.

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2 For the literature of the westwork-problem see F. MÖBIUS, Westwerkstudien, Jena, 1968; and more recently the paper of Miljenko JURKAČ in the present volume. The integration of westworks is mentioned e.g. by C. HEITZ, Architectura et liturgie en France de l’époque carolingienne à l’an Mil, in: Horus Artium Medievallum I, 1995, pp. 57-73. and G. BANDMANN, Mittelalterliche Architektur als Bedeutungsträger. Berlin, 1951, p. 208.

3 We shall see later that this debate focused on the monuments of the Upper Rhine region. Cf. Note 58.

4 For such a tendency cf. the case of Salzburg cathedral. The archeologist H. Vetters reconstructed the building of archbishop Hartwik with a middle tower and was followed in this respect by R. Wagner-Rieger. In the Nachtragband of Vorromannische Kirchenbauten the two-tower façade is accepted. Cf. Note 67.

5 Cf. the case of Székesfehérvár and the literature mentioned there (Note 47).

6 The most recent editions with commentaries are by GYÖRFFFY, Diplomata Hungarianiae Antiquissima, Vol. I. Budapest, 1992, pp. 26-41; and in the new catalogue (cf. Note 1), G. ÉRSEGEI, Szent István pannonhalmai oklevele (The charter of King Stephen the Saint for Pannonhalma), Vol. I., pp. 47-89. For the historiography of the charter: G. THOROCZKAY, Szent István pannonhalmai okleveinek historiográfiaja (The historiography of the charter of King Stephen the Saint for Pannonhalma), ibidem, pp. 90-109.


8 For these see: Sz. PAPP, Késő gothikus építkezések Pannonhalán (Late Gothic building periods in Pannonhalma) in the mentioned Catalogue (cf. Note 1), pp. 237-271.


10 One of them is a part of a series of five drawings of 1787 in Budapest, Magyar Országos Levéltár, T 18 No 4/1-5. The same series with one more drawing can be found in Vienna, Albertina, Architektonische Zeichnungen, Mappe 91 U 9. Published in Catalogue (cf. note 1) Vol. II., no. VIII.15, pp. 116-120. Others were made with the help of these drawings by Robert Ondreka. In 1859, the drawings were made for Arnold Ipolyi commissioned by the K.K. Komiss für Erforschung und Erhaltung der Baudenkmäle (Vienna) in 1859. They were made after the rebuilding of the western parts, however, he used earlier drawings and could have got some information from the people living there. Today they are kept in Budapest, Országos Múemlékvédelmi Hivatal, Tervtár, 4254-4256, 4296-4309. Published in: Catalogue (cf. Note 1), Vol. II., no. IX.37., pp. 220-235, and some details in Vol. I., pp. 180-181.

11 It was published on the occasion of the 950th anniversary of the death of King Stephen the Saint. M. TÖTTI, A művészeti Szent István korában (Art under Stephen the Saint), in: Szent István és kora (King St. Stephen and his age), ed. F. Glatz and J. Kardos, Budapest, 1988, pp. 113-132.


14 These observations together with the following ones were made by I. TÁKÁCS, op. cit. (Note 14) pp. 176-185. Our interpretation follows the hypothesis of I. Tákács.


17 The parallels mentioned in I. TÁKÁCS in his article (cf. Note 17, pp. 183-184) are the following: cathedral of Basel (early 9th C.), cathedral of Trier, monastery churches of Germerode, Möllnbeck and Quedlinburg (10th C.) and the cathedrals of Worms and Paderborn (early 11th C.). The cathedral of Bamberg is mentioned by L. CSABA, op. cit. (1996), p. 149.


19 Monumenta Germaniae Historiae, Scriptores, Vol. IV, p. 796 (on the synod of Frankfurt in 1007) and Vol. XVII, p. 636 (Dedicatio ecclesiae S. Petri Babenbergenis). Archbishop Astrik was one of the seven prelates among the 45 participating bishops who consecrated one of the altars.


24 One of the rare parallels is the 12th century phase of the Benedictine monastery at Pusztszer. O. TROGMAYER and I. ZOMBORI, Szer monostorindát Ópusztaszegi (From the monastery of Szer to Ópusztaszegi) Budapest, 1980 and O. TROGMAYER, A pusztasdéri templomorom (The ruined church of

26 On the other hand, there are arguments that these monasteries were rather small and simple in arrangement. Cf. S. TÖTH, A kezdéhez Balaton tér- és kőbánya [Medieval Katona Dr. Ludwig Haynald, Gebraucht, gezeichnet und erklärt von Dr. Emeric HENZSLMANN, Leipzig, 1873, especially p. 64. The notes and letters of Henszlmann written during the excavation were published by M. KÖHGYI and K. KOZÁK, Henszlmann Imre kalocsa asdatán (The excavation of the I.H. in Kalocsa), in: Archaeologica Értesítő 102 (1975) pp. 101-116.

27 HENZSLMANN op. cit. 1873 (Note 28) p. 64.


29 The excavations, led by Ilona CZEGLEY in 1962, were not published. Their results were shortly mentioned by K. KOZÁK, Félkőszörű szentélyi templomaik a XI. században (Hungarian churches with rounded apses in the 11th century) in: Archaeologica Értesítő 93 (1966), p. 54.

30 M. TÖTH reconstructed the church with two or three towers at the west, cf. op. cit. 1988 (Note 11), p. 117 and note 46.


32 For the history of Veszprém see: J. GUTHIEL, Az Árpád-kori Veszprém (Veszprém under the Árpád Dynasty), Veszprém, 1977, esp. pp. 58-66. For the building of the cathedral, see: K. ERI, M. KELEMEN, L. NÉMETI and L. TORMA, Veszprém megye régészi topográfiaja, A vészprémi járási (Archaeological county topography of county Veszprém District, Veszprémi district. Archaeological topography of Hungary, Vol. 2), Budapest, 1969, pp. 227-230. The results of the investigations of Sándor Tóth is not yet published, however, his results were summarized in his articles on the carvings of the cathedral, cf. note 37. My thanks are due to Sándor Tóth informing me about his excavations.

33 For the restoration of the cathedral is fundamental: I. ÁDÁM, A vészprémi székesegyház (Cathedral of Veszprém), Veszprém, 1912.

34 This is what we can see on the photograph of Móré Erdeyli from the 1900s. Published in: K. JÁLOSZKYSZI and E. TOMSICS, A további ilagya, Magyarország történet várakozásai, The world of yesterday. Hungarian towns at the turn of the centuries) Budapest, 1992, p. 84.


36 S. PALAGYI and S. TÖTH, Az ázsiai és középkori kőkút katalógusa (Pannonia regia) (Catalogue of the Roman and medieval lapidary of the Museum of Tihany), Veszprém, 1976, no. 37; S. TÖTH, op. cit. in Pannonia regia (Note 37) p. 55.

37 A good number of early prints with representations of the castle and its cathedral can be found e.g. in: C. VERESS G., Várak a Bakonyban (Castles in Mount Bakony), Budapest, 1983.

38 The chapels between the towners on the north and the south are later additions. For the history of the western facade of the cathedral see: M. TÖTH, A pécsi székesegyház nyugati karzata (The western tribunal of the cathedral of Pécs) in: Építész-Epítészettudomány, 15 (1983), pp. 429-455. The next step is based upon this hypothesis. For the reconstruction of the early cathedral see especially pp. 448-454.

39 The latest fresco cycle of the building can be dated as late as this period. For the Cella Trichora see: F. FÜLEP, A. BACHMAN and Z. PINTER: Sopianae-Pécs oklevélö emlékei (Paleo-Christian monuments of Sopianae-Pécs), Budapest, 1998, esp. pp. 31-35. For the frescos see: M. TÖTH, Árpád-kori falfestészet (Wall painting in Hungary under the Árpád Dynasty), Budapest, 1974, pp. 42-46.

40 I. HENZSLMANN, A székesfehérvári dátások eredeté (The results of the excavations in Székesfehérvár), Pest, 1864; Idem and L. REISSENBERGER, A magyarnégy es a székesfehérvári régi templom (The old churches of Nagyszombat and Székesfehérvár), Budapest, 1883; D. DERCSÉNYI, A székesfehérvári királyi bazilika (The royal basilica of Székesfehérvár), Budapest, 1943; A KRALOVÁNSZKI, Székesfehérvár (Budapest, 1970), pp. 265-262; Régészeti kutatások (Archaeological excavations), ed. by Bányi Zsuzsanna, Székesfehérvár, Bazilika, Romkert (Excavations of A. KRALOVÁNSZKI, Székesfehérvár, királyi bazilika I-II (The royal basilica of Székesfehérvár), Budapest, 1980; and several important notes in M. TÖTH, op. cit. 1988 (Note 11).


44 Cf. Note 42. Special thanks go to Melinda Tóth for information on the recent excavation as well as for her continuous help and encouragement during my work on this subject.

45 E.g. E. MAROSI in his chapter on Romanesque art in: A műműzet története Magyarországon (The History of Art in Hungary), ed. by N. Aradi, Budapest, 1983, p. 16. This westwork-theory was fully developed by M. TÖTH, op. cit. (Note 11), pp. 116-119.

46 For the reduction of the 'Vollwestwerk' see: C. HEITZ, Recherches sur les rapports entre architecture et liturgie à l'époque carolingienne. Paris, 1963, pp. 19-61.

47 DERCSÉNYI, op. cit. (Note 42) p. 28. Cf. J. BALOGH, A műműzet Mátyás király udvarában (Art in the court of King Matthias), Budapest, 1966, Vol. II, esp. engraving of Wilhem Dillich, 1600 (fig. 294), and a German drawing from 1601 with the inscription "Die anden Kirchen mit den Zwayen Thürmen"
Katedrale, priorati i samostani sagrađeni u vremenu organiziranja crkve za kraljevanja Svetog Stjepana (997-1038.) uglavnom su tijekom stoljeća nestali. Ipak, uz pomoć iskopavanja, pisanih izvora i starijih prikaza, moguće je djelomično rekonstruirati njihovu prostornu organizaciju.

Jedna od najvažnijih kraljevih fondacija, priorat u Székesfehérváru imao je na zapadnoj strani bočnih brodova par tornjeva, a glavni brod bio je lukovima rastvoren prema prostranom zapadnom sklopu. Ta kraljevskoa crkva, obdana brojnim privilegijama, imala je i neke posebne funkcije. U njoj je pokopan kralj Stjepan, bila je to krunidbena crkva mađarskih kraljeva, a ondje je čuvana i kraljevska kruna s moćima. Te funkcije moguće je djelomično vezivati uz zapadni sklop.

Prve katedrale podignute su također s impozantnim zapadnim sklopovima. Najstarija crkva u Kalocsi imala je na zapadu dva tornja kojima su kasnije pridodana još dva. Katedrala 12. stoljeća u Pečuhu imala je jedinstveno zapadno pročelje koje je moguće objasniti samo rekonstrukcijom izgleda prethodne građevine s transverzalnim volumenom (transept) s lukovima.
