PASTORAL PROGRAMMING OF CHURCH WORK, by Alojzije Ćondić

Summary

Discussing the pastoral work, the author discusses the role of local Church before the demands and role of pastoral programme. Many local Churches and parish communities do not have realizable pastoral programmes. However, the fact that many deny or wrongly understand and experience the need for pastoral programmes gives cause for concern. Working on that, the author of the article writes about terminology, which is often, viewed through theological-pastoral aspect, incorrectly interpreted and understood. The author treats the basics characteristics of church work and analyzes the Church community as being the explicit bearer of church work and elaboration of pastoral programme. The writer discusses the sense, purpose and reasons of production of pastoral programme, explaining the way of creating the programme. In the end he briefly presents the essence and trials of pastoral projects in contemporary democratic society.

The author uses the experiential-judgemental-theological way, trying to clarify the church reality and need for pastoral programming in the church work.

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