

Curriculum Vitae

Brno residential bishop

Mons. ThLic. Vojtěch Cikrle

Mons. ThLic. Vojtěch Cikrle was born on 20th August 1946 in the village of Bosonohy (today a part of the Brno city). Because he came from a family pursued by communist regime (his father was imprisoned for 11 years for political reasons) he could not study at secondary school. After some years of apprenticeship he became an iron-founder and he finished secondary education later at the Evening School for working people in Brno. He worked as a workman in Šmeral factory, Zbrojovka factory and at the Prague-Brno highway constructions.

He did the obligatory army service from 1969 to 1971. He enrolled to Theologian faculty of Cyril and Method in Litoměřice in 1971. **He was ordained a priest** on 27th June 1976 in the Brno cathedral.

He was a priest in the parishes of Jaroměřice nad Rokytnou, Jihlava, Znojmo, Slavkov u Brna, Velké Němčice and Starovice.

He was a prefect, later a rector of the seminary in Litoměřice from 1982 to 1990. On 14th February 1990 (after 18 years of sedisvacancy) he was established the 13th residential **bishop of the Brno diocese** by the pope John Paul II. He was ordained a bishop by Olomouc archbishop František Vaňák on 31st March 1990. As a member of the Czech Bishops' Conference since 1990 he has been responsible for clerical education, priestly service in the Army, for families and bioethics.

He is the author of seven books of spiritual texts. His interests are music, sports and astronomy.

Bishop's motto: Non ego, sed tu
(Not me, but You)