

**Review of the research by A. Streikus  
“The Suppression of Religious Life 1940-1941”**

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In the text, the actual and planned actions of the 1940-1941 Soviet government against the Catholic Church in Lithuania are analysed and the historiography and important sources on this topic are reviewed. The author is well acquainted with the problems and presents a broad list of books and articles, including ones in foreign languages. Because a part of the bibliography presented is sources, it is possible to augment it with the brochure of Fr. Kazimieras Olšauskas (Dr. K. Alšėnas. “Krikščioniškoji žemaičių didybė” (“The Christian Grandeur of the Samogitians”). Telšiai, 1941. 28 p.), and by the “Memorandum” of Fr. Mykolas Krupavičius to the Soviet government.

Is the extent of the work limited? Some problems are raised but not broadly analysed. (I have in mind the view of the Soviet government to other churches, the adaptation of USSR laws in Lithuania, and the reaction of the Catholic Church itself to the political change.)

The name of the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter, “The Confessed Indifference of the Soviet Regime” arose from an oversight because it in essence contradicts the content and all the conclusions; about what indifference is it possible to speak?

References L. 5-7 are missing, although the author correctly presents the others before and after these.