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Coin collection of the Hradec Králové Bishopry

In 2008, Hradec Králové celebrated the 700th anniversary of founding of the Bishopric Cathedral of St. Spirit. On that occasion, also one part of the Bishopric collection of medals, coins, orders, insignia, etc. was presented to the public. The beginning of the collection is connected with the personality of the Bishop Mořic Pícha (1931–1956). At the end of 2008, the collection consisted of 1,050 pieces, 356 coins inclusive.

The coins are preserved in the Bishopric library and they are basically divided into two parts. The first group was not created systematically, and it consists of modern coins circulating in the end of the 19th century and during the 20th century. There are also some specific pieces preserved there because of their religious motives or because of other connections with the church.

The second group is represented by the coins from the beginning of the 18th century to the mid-19th century. It was generally created as a collection of the so-called baptismal coins, presented to children at the day of their baptism – these pieces were collected because of their ecclesiastic character. From the numismatic point of view, they are regarded as invaluable because of their piercing or adding pendants. The conventional twenty-kreuzer pieces struck under the Habsburgs represent the vast majority of this group of the collection.

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