# The Convent of St. Charles Borromeo and the chapel of the sacred heart of Jesus

### **Saint Charles Borromeo**

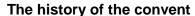
he was born in 2<sup>nd</sup> October 1538 in Arona and died 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1584. He was an Italian Bishop and Cardinal. He is the patron of

"Borromeo association", the spiritual administrators, seminaries, and against the plague. His feast day is celebrated on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Karl came from an affluent family, studying, and affinity with the Pope Pius IV. got him to high ecclesiastical positions. Later he was helping the poors and in his 46 years, died exhausted with the words: "Look, Sir, I come."



## The Congregation of sisters of St. Charles Borromeo

is a female catholic congregation of Papal law focusing on caring for the sick, the poor and the people on the margins of society. On the Czech territory since 1837, when it was founded by the novitiate of the sisters underwent in France. To the convent in Jiříkov, the Borromeo's sisters moved in 1906 and were there until 1991, when they were transferred in Prague. In the convent of the Sisters were at the most 20 sisters, and they were always caring for the poor and the sick people who helped out in the spaces ahead of the cloister.



The foundation stone of the convent was laid already in 1903, but the building itself was completed in 1906. Part of the construction of the convent is the chapel of the sacred heart of Jesus, which holds the neo-gothic style. Part of the chapel are the magnificent stained-glass windows, which were donated by the local entrepreneurs.



## The present of the convent

Since 2011 have conducted the extensive reconstruction of the convent, which are in part financed from EU funds and from parts covered with sponsor gifts. In the convent is currently located the Schrödinger Institute, which is instead an incentive environment extracurricular activities. This is a systemic change in the access to education and extracurricular activities.



