

Contents

<i>List of illustrations</i>	<i>page</i> vii
<i>List of maps</i>	viii
<i>Maps</i>	ix–xxiii
<i>Foreword by Christopher Brooke</i>	xxv
<i>Preface to the Polish Edition (1987)</i>	xxviii
<i>Preface to the English Edition (2000)</i>	xxxiii
<i>Glossary</i>	xxxv
1 Religious Orders	xxxv
2 The Members and Provinces of Poland and the Polish-Lithuanian Commonwealth	xxxvii
1 Foundations	I
1 The two spheres of Christendom in the tenth–twelfth centuries	1
2 Poland	5
3 Pagan beliefs	7
4 The baptism of Poland. The Polish Church under Mieszko I and Boleslaw Chrobry	10
5 The structure of the Church	14
6 The Christianisation of the people	20
7 The leaders and their heritage	24
2 The turning point: the thirteenth century	30
1 Reforms and culture in western Christianity in the thirteenth century	30
2 Polish society during the period of fragmentation	33
3 The new position of the Church and the strengthening of its structures	35
4 The religious houses and the religious in the thirteenth century	39
5 The parish in Poland – a turning point in the religious beliefs of the people	45
3 The expansion of the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries	50
1 The complexity and significance of changes in Christendom in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries	50
2 Poland and the Polish Church in a new world	54
3 Expansion of the structure and function of the Church	59

4	Schools and universities	65
5	The intellectual elites of Christian Poland encountering the problems of the epoch	68
6	The specific and native character of Polish religious culture	74
4	Great reforms	84
1	Great reforms in western Christendom	84
2	The Polish-Lithuanian state in the sixteenth century	90
3	The Lutheran Church	96
4	Successes and defeats of the Polish Protestant reform	100
5	The victory of Catholicism	108
6	Reforms in the Eastern Church	116
7	A general view	118
5	Post-Tridentine Catholicism and Polish Baroque	126
1	The long-lasting Catholic Reform	126
2	The crisis of the Commonwealth and changes in the standing of religious denominations	129
3	Organisation of the Church: bishops, dioceses, parishes	135
4	The religious Orders	141
5	Culture and religious life	149
6	Enlightenment and the Partitions	164
1	Christianity and Enlightenment	164
2	The Catholic Enlightenment in Poland	173
3	The immediate effects of the Partitions. The Polish Church in the era of Napoleon I and Alexander I	190
7	Slow revival in bondage	201
1	The revival of the Church in nineteenth-century Europe	201
2	Polish patriotic religion in the age of the uprisings	215
3	The folk Church and the oppressed but vital nation	231
8	Twentieth-century defeats and successes	253
1	The experience and transformation of the Catholic Church	253
2	Independent Poland	268
3	The Second World War and the occupation	297
4	Under communist rule: 1944/5–1989	308
9	Postscript: after 1989	337
	<i>Bibliographical essay</i>	345
	<i>Index</i>	362