

St. Ambrose of Mediolanum and Eastern Issues

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Abstract

It noted repeatedly, rightly, that the important role played by the various western bishop-centers in Roman policy of the expansion to the East or to the West.

With Mediolanum, imperial and bishops residence, the Roman authority began to grow in both to the West and to the East, especially by the presence of a great ecclesiastical personality, Ambrosius, who, it seems, outrun at the time by his authority even the papal authority. He warned the world, both Christian and civil to the actual problems, penalizing not only the religious authorities but also the political as the case of the Emperor Theodosius, the Great.

By Ambrose and also Anemius, at Sirmium will begin a period of reassertion of orthodoxy in the Illyrian environments despite of all oppositions.