

**Queen Christina of Sweden (1626-1689) and Rene Decartes**

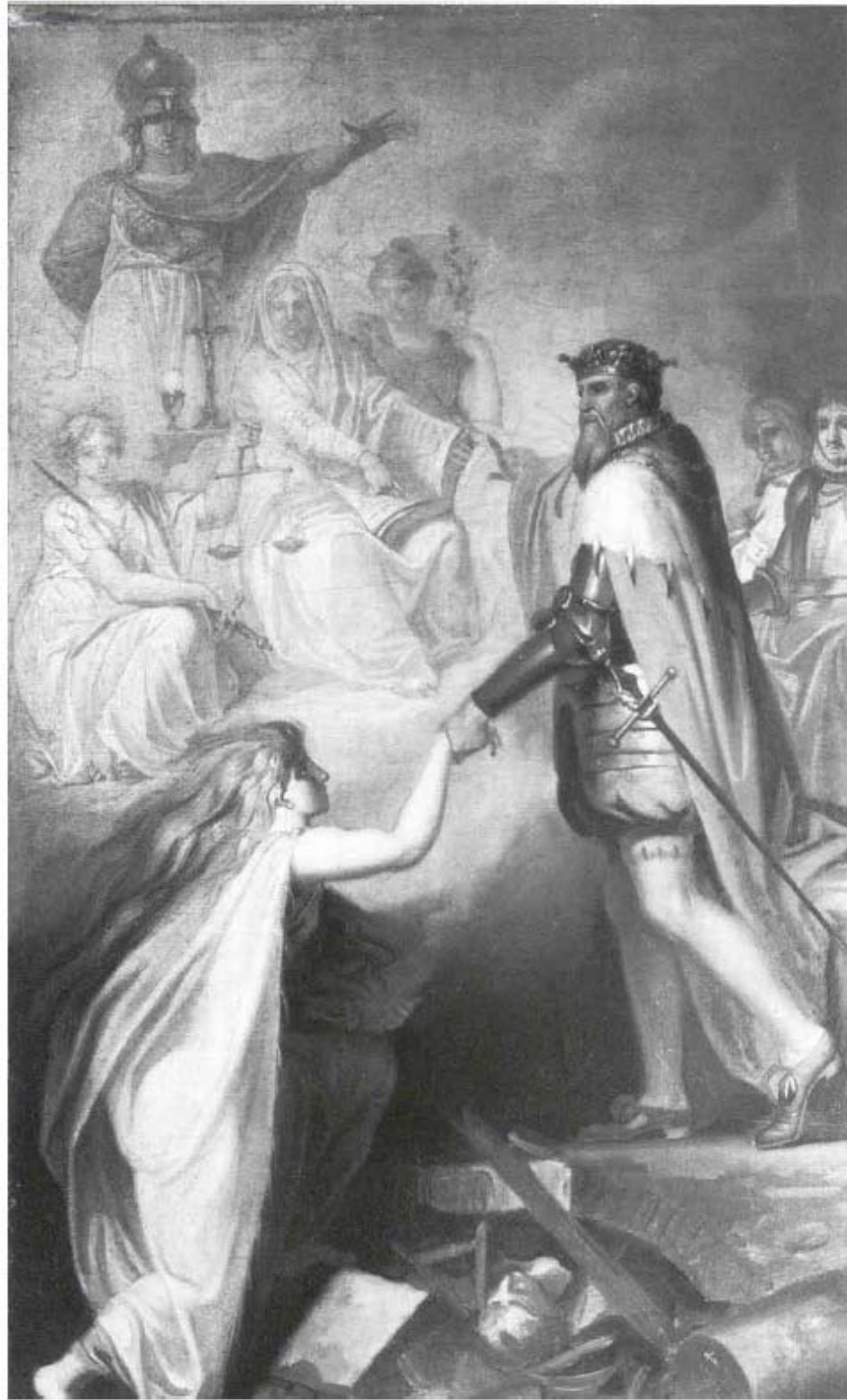


*Nils Forsberg (1842-1934) after Pierre-Louis Dumesnil the Younger (1698-1781)*

**Tower of Winds, Vatican**



## The establishment of the Danish Lutheran Church - 1536



*A sketch of 1780 for decoration in Christiansborg Palace by [Nikolaj Abildgaard](#). The painter's*

Christian III's Protestant policies led Denmark toward the establishment of the Danish Lutheran Church as the national church of Denmark (Folkekirke). This occurred officially on 30 October 1536 when the reconstituted State Council (purged of Catholics) adopted the Lutheran Ordinances designed by the German Johannes Bugenhagen, which outlined church organization, liturgy, and accepted religious practice.

## The State of the Teutonic Order – 1260 - 1410

