San Michele Arcangelo

Category: Catholic Church

business description: The current church was built in the late 18th century following an order from the ecclesiastical authorities which, due to the poor state of repair of the existing building, confirmed that two years was the time required for renovation or the incorporation of the parish into that of Carbonara. With contributions from the population, construction began in 1786 and was completed in 1792, and the church was built in the center of town. The façade, in a Baroque style, consists of a single panel enclosed between two pairs of pilasters that rise from the base plinth to the upper entablature supporting a gable that closes the complex. The square-plan bell tower is located adjacent to the building's perimeter wall near the presbytery and is surmounted by a circular bell chamber. The interior plan is based on a Greek cross: the longitudinal arm, which houses the entrance portal and the main altar, intersects with the transverse arm, which has a short section of splayed masonry on each side, ending in a semicircular apse containing a chapel. On either side of the presbytery are two areas originally intended for the choir and the women's gallery. The roof features a prominent central dome supported by connecting arches located at the intersection of the arms. The decorative apparatus, consisting of architectural and pictorial elements, is considerable.

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