San Nicola da Bari

Category: Catholic Church

business description: The church of San Nicola, located atop the hill where the castle once stood, overlooks a large churchyard and is reached via a dedicated staircase. The gabled façade, with a broken pediment, extends over two levels, characterized by the presence of four unplastered pilasters, which project strongly, supporting a cornice with panels interrupted by the central vaulted niche with a slender single-lancet window. The pediment, with a cornice and eaves decorated with an exposed brick motif, has a broken pediment and a small central niche in the shape of a Greek cross. The entrance portal is made of exposed brick, with a wooden door and a similarly broken pediment. The bell tower, entirely plastered, has a square section and is attached to the main body of the church, on the right flank. The high monolithic plinth is surmounted by a tower ribbed with pilasters and cornices that divide it into two very unequal orders. The bell tower features single-lancet windows on each side and is covered by a small gabled roof with a pinnacle set on an octagonal drum. The nave has a double-pitched roof, semi-conical at the apse, and a tiled mantle. The church has a single nave plan with four bays and two small side chapels. The presbytery, raised above the nave level, ends in a semicircular apse. The nave is covered with four ribbed vaults, with lateral windowed windows, punctuated by masonry arches. The apse is covered with a round vault with a dome at the apse basin. The flooring is made of cement tiles and concrete gravel.

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