

**SOME IMPORTANT OBJECTS OF PINCEHELY'S BUILT HERITAGE
WE WILL VISIT THEM ON MONDAY MORNING AND AFTERNOON**

20 th of March, 2023

Morning

BLESSED VIRGIN' CHURCH - GPS coordinates north: 46.681066 / east: 18.439504



Roman Catholics and later on a small number of Protestants. In 1729 the first church of Pincehely was built, already partly of adobe and partly of brick. It stood behind the sanctuary of the present church. As the number of believers increased, it was decided to build a new church. In 1762 the foundation stone was laid for the church dedicated to the Blessed Virgin.

The building, 38 metres long, 12 metres wide and 15 metres high, did not have a tower at that time. In 1776, it was enlarged with a sacristy, above which a new choir was built. In 1792 a fire completely destroyed the sacred building. In 1794 the restoration of the church began. The beautiful frescoes were painted by Ferenc Bucher Xavér, originally an Italian academic. The Angster organ, made in Pécs, was installed in 1899, and is still considered a highly esteemed instrument-making workshop in Central Europe. In addition to sacral practice and festive services, the church also serves the spiritual education of the youth, which is still carried out with diligence in a separate room. Religious young people still form an active community and take care of the elderly and make many excursions in the region. The beautiful late Baroque sculptures and furnishings were all donated by the nobility before 1945 and later by ordinary believers and entrepreneurs. The adult church community attached to the church is also active and very appreciative of the parish priest. Interestingly, at the time of our guests' visit, Pincehely has a new and young priest these days, Father Thomas, who will be formally inaugurated on the morning of 19 March.

NUN'S WELL - on the left side of the main road 61



In the centre of the village, opposite the church, on the edge of Vörösmarty Square, under the shelter of chestnut trees, is one of the most interesting buildings of the village, the "Nuns' Well". This artesian well is the oldest well in the whole municipality. At the end of the 19th century, the local parish priest bought a large building and the land surrounding it, and after renovation, a community of Catholic nuns moved in. They lived here and also ran a kindergarten and a school nearby. The domed cover of the artesian well, still visible today, was probably built at this time. In the early 1900s, it was depicted as a landmark on municipal postcards as one of the characteristic buildings. Nowadays it no longer flows water, but the domed structure remains. Thousands of passers-by have passed by it every day for over a hundred years.

STATUE of VÖRÖSMARTY MIHÁLY - GPS coordinates: north: 46.680798 /east: 18.439003



The name of Mihály Vörösmarty (1800-1855), the great Hungarian poet and politician, is intertwined with the modern history of Pincehely. In addition to a square and a street bearing the poet's name, the local primary school and the joint cooperative have also adopted the name of the great Hungarian in homage to him. In 1975, on the 175th anniversary of the birth of Mihály Vörösmarty, the Hungarian Academy of Sciences held its extraordinary meeting in Pincehely. It was then that his bust was unveiled. István Szabó, sculptor, made of marble.

TRINITY STATUE



The Trinity statue can be seen in front of the former cinema building on Kossuth Street. The statue was erected in 1869 by a nearby family in honour of the God of Christians. It was decorated with a holy image and flowers as a tradition in Pincehely on the Lord's Day procession. It was a stop on the occasion of the church feast.

CHAPEL OF THE PROCESSION - Kossuth Lajos street No 78. (in the centre of the town, next to the Mayor's Office)



The population of the village of Pincehely has been Catholic throughout its history. The procession of the parish priest and the villagers was a great celebration, 60 days after Easter. In the old days, they would return to the church after a long procession of several hours, singing, carrying flowers and sacred banners. There were 4 chapels along the route, for the 4 stops of the procession, built on the land of a wealthy family living along the route. Only 2 of these chapels still stand today. The present chapel was built in the 1920s by Lajos Csehi and his wife, who at the time built a new house and a fence. Later, between 1948 and 1990, the procession was limited to the church, and in 2009 it was restored by the new owner of the land, and blessed by the Bishop of the County. It now houses holy images and church paraphernalia, its doors are always open to worshippers and it is constantly maintained by the family.

Afternoon

ST JOHN OF NEPOMUK' CHAPEL - a particularly valuable, protected building, nationally registered!

GPS coordinates: north: 46.671283 / east: 18.441467



The chapel named after St John of Nepomuk, saint of bridges and martyr of the mystery of confession, is situated on a hillside above a road on the outskirts of Pincehely. The chapel has a north-west gabled main façade with a semicircular sanctuary, narrower than the nave, with a hipped gable roof on the sanctuary side, a small wooden bell tower behind the broken gable wall, and a stone-framed entrance opening on the central axis of the main façade. In the nave there is a vaulted ceiling in Czech glass, in the sanctuary there is a semi-dome, and next to it on the pedestal there is a statue of the eponymous St John of Nepomuk, dating from the 18th century. The stone cross next to the chapel was commissioned by Ferenc Koller in 1926. At Pentecost, the chapel opens its doors to the faithful and Holy Mass is celebrated within its walls.

