



OLD PARISH CHURCH OF SS. TRINITÀ (THE MOST HOLY TRINITY)*

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You can find this point of interest in Argegno - Path 1 - Stage 1 and in Argegno – Path 2 – Stage 0

INFORMATION

Location: the old Parish Church dating back to the 16th Century dedicated to the Holy Trinity stretched diagonally on the present Piazza Roma, with the façade looking westward, at the place where at present a fountain is located

DESCRIPTION

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Mentioned in a document of 1565 for the first time, the old Church of the Holy Trinity was probably built between 1491 and 1564 through the dedication of the inhabitants of Argegno, because of the distance and the stony road they had to walk in order to reach the Church of S. Sisinio (the present Salita Andrea Brenta, also called *Strada di Boecc*, which means *street with holes*). In 1610 the Parish Church was built. It had a single nave and on the high altar stood out an altar piece of the *Most Holy Trinity*, surrounded by stuccoes; at the side of the altar, two niches placed above the two main doors in the sacristy accommodated two reliquary busts of St. Filippo Neri and St. Valentino. The church had two lateral chapels, built during the renovation works of the first decades of the 17th century. The left one was dedicated to the Blessed Virgin of the Rosary, with a statue of *Our Lady* (now kept in the new Parish Church). The right one, instead, was dedicated to St. Fermo (during some pastoral visits is mentioned the dedication to St. Nicholas and St. Julian). Between the 17th and 18th Century the bell tower placed at the left of the entrance was realized, which replaced the previous one, placed at its right. Already at the end of the 19th Century the old church was in bad conditions, too small for the needs of the increased community and in a bad position, adjacent to the always overcrowded via Regina. At the beginning of the 20th Century the project to build a new church was born; in 1928 the construction started. The old church was deconsecrated in 1929; in the following year the building was bought by the municipality at a price of 120.000 lire, in order to use the area as a square so that the centre of the village could be adapted to tourists' needs. The old church was demolished between March and April of the year 1931.