

Cultural heritage of Kapušany and bearers of traditions

Part II

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St. Martin's Church - a national cultural monument

The first Catholic church, which can be realistically assumed on the basis of a written record, was in Kapušany as early as 1248, when the first written record mentions the Kapušany rectory. The present church was blessed on 11 November 1798 on the feast of St. Martin, who is the patron saint of the church and the parish. The brothers Joseph and Gabriel Kapy, who donated pews and a gilded monstrance to the church, contributed to its construction. The church is built in the classical style using the remains of the old church building.



The church has one main nave and a two-storey tower. The church has been repaired several times, even damaged by fire twice. In 1931-32, the painters Mikuláš Jordán and his brother Wagner painted the church from the inside. Among the rarities of the church are Rombauer's paintings from 1847 - St. John of Nepomuk, whom the executioners are about to throw into the Vltava River. The second painting depicts Christ being taken down from the cross.





The church is dominated by a painting of St. Martin, donated by Jan Kapy. It depicts St. Martin as a soldier sitting on a horse and sharing half of his cloak with a begging beggar. Angels are flying above him.

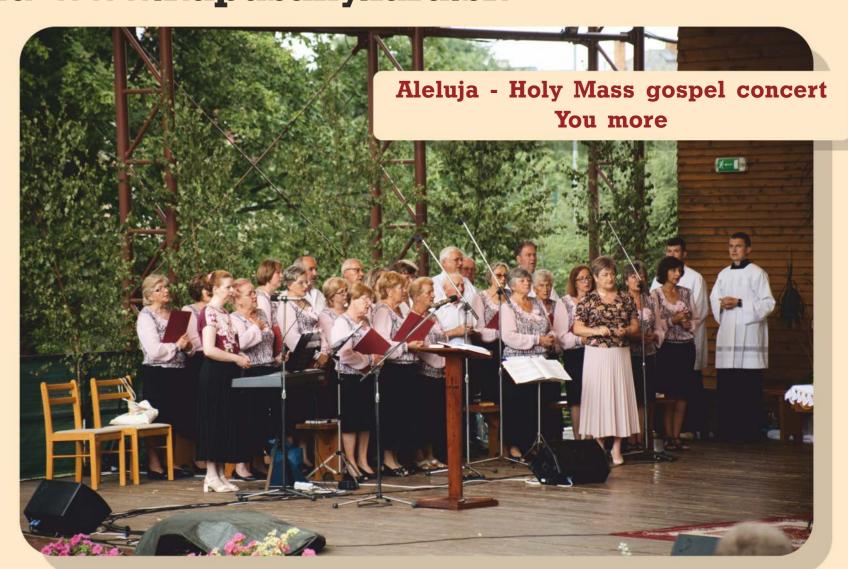




Aleluja Church Choir

The Aleluja Church Choir was founded in 1991 and has been led since the beginning by Mrs. L'udmila Krehelová, DiS. art. (cantor at the local St. Martin's Church). It has about 30 members. The choir's repertoire is sacred, of various styles from the Renaissance to the present. The choir enriches the liturgical singing services in Kapušany and in the wider area. It participates in and organises shows of choral activity. It has made several public appearances. In 2007, a CD with recordings of the entire church year was released. The choir has sung abroad, at a pilgrimage of families in Poland, in the vicinity of Medjugorje, in 2015 at a pilgrimage in Rome, and in the same year in Paris at the Church of St. Magdalene at a Mass celebrated by Cardinal Jozef Tomko.

More information at www.kapusany.sk and www.kapusany.fara.sk





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