

History of Building Development

From the town-planning viewpoint Lomnice nad Lužnicí ranks among the most interesting towns in the South Bohemian region. A no more existing castle in Lomnice was situated southeast of the earlier village. The exact date of its founding is not known but it was very probably in the 2nd half of the 14th century at the latest, perhaps even before 1265. The castle's location can be now identified only with the St. Wenceslas church.

Architectural Monuments

Parish Church sv. Jana Křtitele (St. John Baptist)

The church is one of the oldest historical monuments in Lomnice. The church is situated on a location of an earlier sanctuary built before the town's founding. It was probably rebuilt after the fire in 1358. The originally Gothic church was badly damaged by big fires (in 1358 and 1650) and army looting. Later the church went through major construction changes in 1779, 1793 and 1872. The mighty tower adjoining the nave's southern wall was probably built only at the turn of the 15th and 16th centuries, representing a typical example of the late-Gothic style typical for the Rosenberg builders. The church's Gothic character has been preserved in its ground-plan, particularly the presbytery, vaulted sacristy, triumphal arc and entrance in the western front. 13 tombstones are set in the nave paving.

Church sv. Václava (St. Wenceslas)

The church's importance is mainly in its history since it has been modified many times in the course of centuries and its originally Gothic design has by now mostly disappeared. The church was founded as a castle chapel by the Vyšehrad provost - Vilém of Landštejn. It was in 1359 and the chapel was then named to honor the Corpus Christi and St. Peter and Paul. The main altar is decorated with statues of St. Wenceslas and two angels. The altar and all the statues on it were made by Martin Schwarzmaier, joiner from České Budějovice, in 1658.

Old Town Hall

The town hall is situated on the eastern side of the square and according to experts it is one of the most picturesque ones in Bohemia. It was built before 1604 in the era of Petr Vok of Rosenberg, rebuilt in 1781 and damaged by fires in 1799 and 1800-04. It was then when the town hall acquired the present late-Baroque façade. The town hall was sensitively reconstructed in 1975.

Bridge over the Golden Canal

The bridge crosses the way from Lomnice nad Lužnicí to Záblatí and it was built in 1508-1518 when Štěpánek Netolický designed the local section of the Golden Canal.