



SOVRINTENDENZA
TAL-PATRIMONJU KULTURALI
SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

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Property Name	Parish Church of the Annunciation		
Address	Misrah ir-Repubblika		
Town Name	Tarxien	Toponym	Local Council Tarxien
Property Owner	Managing Body Archidiocese		
Guardianship Deed	Under consideration		

Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (1530-1798)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Architectural Artistic Historical	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	High
Property Function	Religious	Conservation Area	No

Outline Description	The parish church of Tarxien is dedicated to the Annunciation. The building of the present church is thought that goes back to the year 1610. Unfortunately, this church has undergone so many architectural interventions that little of the original plan remains
Property Description	The façade has three bays that are articulated with Doric pilasters elevated on plinths. Each bay is pierced with a rectangular door with stone mouldings and a triangular pediment. A link between the lower and the upper tier is created by incorporating a heavy cornice that prepares the viewer for the upper part. The side bays are identical. They both had a blank arch encased between two black thick pilasters and a wide entablature capped with a cornice. The upper most part of the side bays terminate with a square bell tower with a triangular spire on top. Whereas the side bays are bare from architectural frivolities, the central bay has an elegant moulded round arch garnished with a stone inscription. The central bay ends with a broken aedicule and a high pedestal on which the Cross stands.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	782/11	G.N. Date	
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Recommended Bibliography	Anon, <i>Parish Church of the Annunciation</i> , http://www.mepa.org.mt/tarxien , accessed on Saturday 7th December, 2013 Mahoney, L., (1988), <i>A History of Maltese Architecture from Ancient Times up to 1800</i> .
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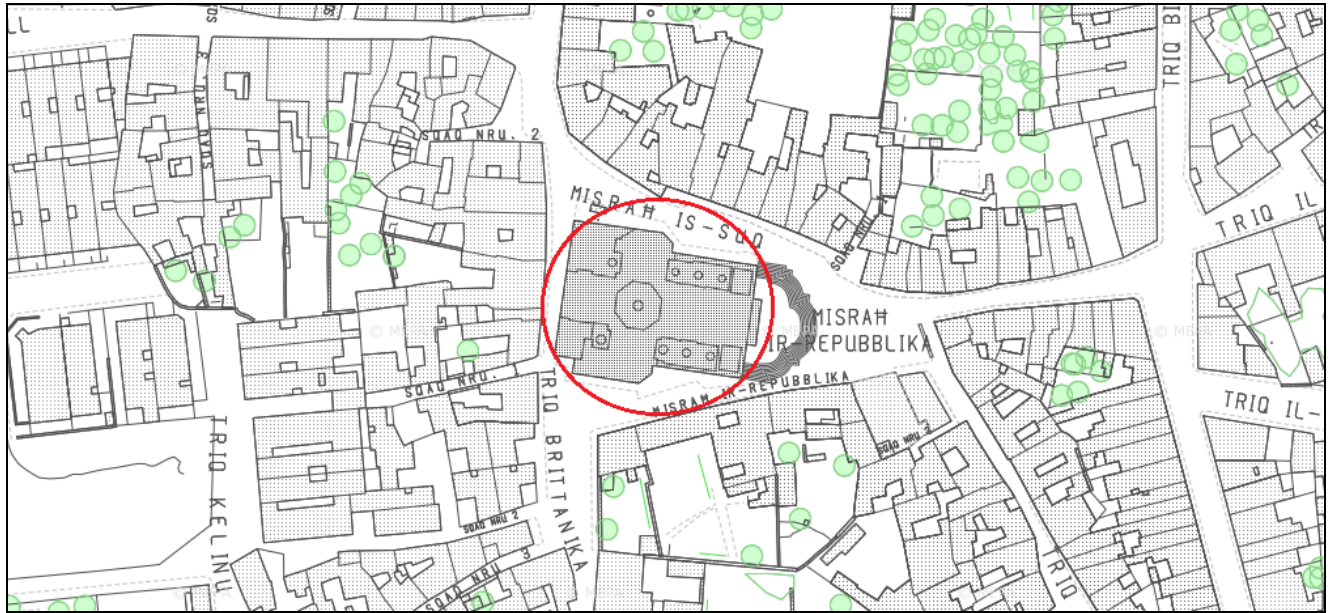
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Property Plan



Property Images

