

Historical Buildings

THE PARISH OF LA ASUNCIÓN DE NUESTRA SEÑORA The Parish of La Asunción de Nuestra Señora, was built at the beginning of the XVII century, although it was enlarged for over different eras. Its plant has the latin cross form, with its dome and their lateral naves, being their walls made of masonry (1), although in some parts, like the west side of the church, the tower and the front door, we can see ashlar (2). It is located at the same place where the first church in Tomelloso was built in 1541, and then demolished in 1604. The primitive Parish of La Asuncion was built in 1604 with an only nave. Later, the tower bell was built and was dedicated to Nuestra Señora de la Concepción.

During the XVII century, several lateral chapels were built by devout founders and its nave was enlarged. At its head (3), the altar belonging to Nuestra Señora de la Paz was located. The tower was finished in 1689. In the XVIII century the main nave was increased its latin cross form with the transept (4) hence. Moreover, the baptistery chapel was built (1740) and the Nuestra Señora de la Paz altar was moved to a lateral chapel. In this century the altarpiece (5) was constructed as well. Finally, Nuestra Señora de la Asunción was decided the patron saint. During the XIX century the layout of the church (6) was altered because of the link of a lot of chapels such as Jesús de Nazareno, San Antón, San Ildefonso, Santo Cristo de la Piedad… and the Nuestra Señora de la Paz and Nuestra Señora de la Piedad altarpieces were damaged during the change. In 1936 the entrance from Plaza de España was enlarged and during the Spanish Civil War, most of the images and altarpieces were destroyed as well as the parish archive. The bells were given to the Ministerio de la Guerra to found them, to use them as shrapnel (7). When the war finished, the Parish was open again. New images and bells were bought by means of popular donations. Nowadays, its façade (8) is being restored through private donations. **LA POSADA DE LOS PORTALES** It is an old inn used to accommodate travellers and merchants. It is situated at the Plaza de España, with its main front door in front of the Parish of Nuestra Señora de La Asunción. The building keeps its original structure with its façade of balusters built into a big arcade formed by four toscan columns and two pillars, whereas the superior gallery arises with beams on shoes (9). In both floors there are balconies made of wood. In its inside, the typical room with wood beams on the roof, mainly used by the inn hosts to rest, which belongs to manchegan architecture, and the ancient primitive cooker with a big chimney, and lots of home tools from the same age, have been kept and restored. It was built by the end of the 18th century, it was the result of the restoration of the Rodrigo's house. The Rodrigo was one of the main and rich families in that age. It was used as an inn until the 1960s, year in which the Council Town bought it. It was declared Artistic Historical Monument of Provincial Interest. It was restored again during the years 1990-1991. From those years, it is used as a Cultural Centre, apart from being the Festivities, Information and Tourism Area site in Tomelloso.

4 Crucero
5 Retablo

6 Planta de la iglesia
7 Metrala

2 Sillares
8 fachada
9 Vig