



9. Pureza de María School

Pureza de María school was built in 1920, on Sant Guillem Street in València, at the initiative of Mother Superior Cayetana Alberta Giménez Adrover, founder of the Pureza de María Congregation in 1874, who was widely recognised for her interest in pedagogy and new teaching methods.

The school was later moved to 57 El Rosari Street, on the same plot as the current building, designed by architect Manuel Peris in 1927.

The building was constructed with three 3-storey sections joined symmetrically with regard to the central section, which gave access to the building. The ground floor housed the chapel, accessed from the side of the plot facing El Rosari Street, and the classrooms. The other rooms were spread around the remaining floors.

Two new buildings were erected due to the need for space and an old industrial unit accessible from En Vicent Gallart Street, archpriest, was incorporated for school sporting activities.

The original, eclectic building is made of plastered and painted brickwork. The central block features the most decoration, with a triple arcade on the first floor to highlight the access, crowned by a frontispiece with a relief inscription of the initials AMDG (*Ad Maiorem Dei Gloriam*).