## Amakusa Shiro Museum was reopened after renovation on April 21st!



Amakusa Shiro Museum was renovated and reopened as a bace facility to be able to show the culture of Christianity in Amakusa region. In order to be more attractive facility, we purchased about 300 historical materials of Christianity in 2017.

On April 21st, 2018, we held a reopening ceremony and started to show the valuable historical materials, which tells you about the history of hidden Christians.

## **New Exhibits**

Maria Kannon; statue of the Virgin Mary disguised as a Buddhist Kannon statue. There is a hidden hole on the back of the Maria Kannon.



A hymnbook which belonged to Father Frederic Louis Garnier



The bulletin board in 1868(the 1st year of Meiji era)



Except for these 3 items, valuable historical materials of hidden Christians have been added to our exhibits.