

Inauguration



Rev. Fr. Audibert, SJ Heritage Museum

Date : 13-10-2021 Time : 9 am Venue : Museum, St. Joseph's College

ST.JOSEPH'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS), TIRUCHIRAPPALLI



Rev Fr D. Audibert SJ

In the month of September 1844, Fr. Audibert SJ was sent by his Superiors to found St. Joseph's College in Nagapattinam, on the Coromandel Coast, 125 kilometres east of Tiruchirappalli.

The first Rector and Principal of St. Joseph's was Fr. D. Audibert SJ, who had already made a name for himself as an educationist in a famous college of the Society of Jesus at Freiburg in Switzerland. Well-equipped with the theory and practice of pedagogy, he was the right person to give the new institution a good beginning. He was an incorrigible optimist. When he started with just one student, he went about saying that this institution was moving forward like a one man army. At the close of the year, however, he had collected 38 students, of whom 12 were Indians. He also brought together very respectable staff. In 1845, the college could boast of 74 students of whom 40 were Indians.

Hardly begun, on the second year of its existence, St. Joseph's College underwent a serious setback. On July 2, 1846, Fr. Audibert SJ succumbed to cholera and died.



St. Joseph's College (Autonomous)

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Tiruchirappalli - 620 002, Tamil Nadu*

Invites you for the Inauguration of

Rev. Fr. Audibert SJ Heritage Museum

Blessed by

Most Rev. Dr. S. Arokiaraj, DD., STD., **Rev. Dr. Leonard Fernando SJ**
(Bishop of Tiruchirapalli) (Rector, St. Joseph's College, Tiruchirapalli)

Opened by

Honouring **Er D. Augustus Manimaran** By **Rev. Dr. S. Peter SJ**
Engineer Secretary, St. Joseph's College

Honouring **Artist Hermon Carduz** By **Rev. Dr. M. Arockiasamy Xavier SJ**
Architect, Fr Audibert Museum Principal, St. Joseph's College



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