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Gilded Wooden Reliquary Of St. Ambrose



790 EUR

Period : 18th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Gilded wood

Width : 12,5 cm

Height : 26,2 cm

Depth : 8 cm

Description

Rare and unusual gilded wooden reliquary, with a relic of St. Ambrose. Later crucified in black ink (Latin cross on a mountain with three peaks?)

Very small chippings

Italy, 18th century

In prayer, next to the people

He distributed all his goods to the poor and devoted himself to the study of the Sacred Texts and the Fathers of the Church: "When I read the Scriptures," he said, "God walks with me in Paradise." He learned to preach and his oratory fascinated the young Augustine of Hippo, marking his conversion. Ambrose's life became increasingly frugal and austere, spent entirely in study, prayer, assiduous listening and closeness to the poor and the people of God. "If the Church has gold, it is not to keep it, but to give it to those

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in need," he said when he decided to melt down the liturgical furnishings to pay the ransom of some faithful kidnapped by Nordic soldiers.