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Madonna Of The Star With The Infant Jesus Oil On Canvas



350 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Oil painting

Length : 53 avec cadre, sans cadre 40

Width : 43 avec cadre, sans cadre 30

Description

Madonna of the Star with the Infant Jesus Oil painting on canvas created in central Italy around the mid-20th century; framed in a sculpted and painted frame from the well-known workshop of the Roman framer Baldisserra. Attention is drawn to the star placed on the Virgin's mantle, not a mere ornament: in Marian iconography, the star is filled with spiritual and theological meanings: it symbolizes Mary's mission as mother, guide, and light for humanity.

- The star represents purity and virginity; in Byzantine icons, it symbolizes the Aeipárthenòs, the "Ever-Virgin," indicating that Mary remained a virgin before, during, and after the birth of Christ.
- It also signifies heavenly elevation and transcendence, evoking the sidereal distance, the intangibility, and the holiness of the Virgin,

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raising her above every creature. - Among the many titles given to Mary is Stella Maris, the Madonna who leads the faithful through the darkness of the night toward Christ, just as a star guides sailors. - Lastly, she announces the coming of Christ: as Venus, the "morning star," heralds the sunrise, Mary prefigures the arrival of Christ.