



Silver-gilt Ordination Chalice With Champlevé Enamels - Central Europe, Dated 1920



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Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Width : 15 cm

Height : 18 cm

Depth : 15 cm

Description

Silver-gilt ordination chalice with champlevé enamels - Central Europe, dated 1920. A neo-Gothic style liturgical chalice in partially gilt silver (vermeil), preserved in its original lined case. Description: The polylobed base is richly decorated with vine leaves, bunches of grapes, and scrolls, Eucharistic symbols, finely repoussé and chased. It is adorned with four circular medallions in excellent quality blue champlevé enamel, representing: o The Crucifixion - Christ on the cross surrounded by the Virgin Mary and Saint John, with the inscription INRI o The Entombment of Christ o Three saintly bishops, identified by inscriptions engraved on the reverse: o Sanctus Petrus o Sanctus Theophilus o Sanctus Odilo. Each medallion is framed by chased vegetal decoration alternating matte and polished

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surfaces. The spherical knob is decorated with vine leaves in relief and a beaded frieze. The cup, gilded on the inside, features antique hammering and a uniform patina. The plaques on the reverse of the foot bear commemorative Latin inscriptions: Plaque 1: DIE XXX NATI MCMXX -> "Born on the thirtieth day, 1920" Plaque 2: + DILECTO NEPOTI ODILIVS RICHARDVS -> "To my dear nephew, Odilius Richardus" Plaque 3: PETRO ... THEOPHILVS ET -> Reference to Saint Peter and Saint Theophilus (abbreviated formula) Plaque 4: SACERDOTI ORDINATO ANSCHARVS -> "To Ansgar, ordained a priest" These inscriptions confirm that this is a chalice presented on the occasion of a priestly ordination within a family context. The presence of an unidentified goldsmith's mark under the foot (private mark) prevents formal geographical attribution, but the overall style, iconography, and epigraphy point to a production from [location missing]. From Central Europe, probably in the Germanic area, at the beginning of the 20th century. Condition: Very good original condition. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any further information or requests for additional photos concerning the items offered for sale.