A Holy Water Gilt Bronze Stoup



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Period : 16th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Bronze

Height : 17 cm

Description

A Holy water gilt bronze stoupMercury-gilt bronze, tin solderingLate 16th centuryh. 17 cm (6.5 in.)A holy water stoup in mercury-gilt bronze, composed of several separately gilt parts joined by tin soldering. The chased decoration on the quaterfoils and base carries echoes of late Gothic -- rosettes and compartments -- alongside Renaissance scrollwork. Two of the compartments bear an applied medium-relief figure depicting the same man in late 16th-century dress, wearing a ruff and hat. Their presence, surprising on a liturgical object, may be explained by a heraldic function intended by its patron.

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