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St. Francis Of Assisi In Prayer, 17th Century



680 EUR

Period : 17th century

Condition : Etat d'usage

Material : Oil painting on wood

Width : 49

Height : 64

Description

This painting depicts a Franciscan saint--most likely Saint Francis of Assisi--shown from the waist up, with his arms crossed over his chest in an attitude of deep devotion. His melancholic gaze is directed toward Christ on the cross, who appears in the shadows on the left side of the composition. The scene is rendered in a somber and introspective atmosphere, typical of post-Tridentine spiritual painting. The chiaroscuro highlights the expressiveness of the face, the delicate complexion, and the hands marked by a slight wound evoking the stigmata. Oil on oak; the "Hand of Antwerp" mark is visible on the reverse, as is the Antwerp tower. (See the Guild of Saint Luke, active in the 16th and 17th centuries.) Note: there are old restorations, some repainting, and signs of

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