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## Saint Gregory VII Pope Relic Reliquary Wax Seal + Document 1907

700 EUR

Period : 20th century

Condition : Bon état

Material : Silver metal



### Description

Devotional reliquary containing an important relic of: Saint Gregory VII, Pope and Confessor, Identified by the interior label "S. Gregor. VII C." This early twentieth-century oval reliquary presents the small fragment against a rich red textile ground, bordered by delicate metallic trim and protected beneath a glazed front. Its silver-plated metal case incorporates a suspension loop. The restrained design creates a dignified focus for prayer and remembrance of this steadfast defender of the Church. Reliquary guarantee On the reverse is a red ecclesiastical wax seal securing red threads, consistent with the sealing arrangement described in the certificate. The accompanying document was issued in Rome on 22 June 1907, under the authority of His Eminence Cardinal Pietro

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Respighi, Vicar General of His Holiness for Rome. The handwritten number 563 appears on both the document and the reliquary backing. Biography: Born Hildebrand around 1015, Gregory VII became pope in 1073. He championed clerical reform and the Church's independence, famously confronting Emperor Henry IV during the Investiture Controversy. Catholic tradition associates miracles with his intercession. He died in exile at Salerno on 25 May 1085 and was canonized in 1606. His feast is celebrated on 25 May. Condition Good overall antique condition, with age-related surface wear and patina. The document shows folding, creasing and small edge splits, while retaining its legible devotional and historical content. Provenance: Italy -- private collection

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