



BAPTISM/GODFATHER BEAKER, SILVER, GILT

Objektnummer 284

BZ Memmingen around 1630
MZ Christoph Laminit
Scheffler Ostallgäu No. 22, 30),
H 7 cm, weight 53 g.

Townmark for Memmingen, see Scheffler, goldsmith of Ostallgäu No. 22 (Rosenberg3 3389)
Makers Mark: Scheffler No 30

Exhibition:

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Bilder



Detaillierte Informationen

Conical beaker on flat bottom; the wall with fine, first-class snake Skin decoration. Silver, gilt.
Very nice original gilding

Under the lip, the dedication inscription "Ao. 1638. ANNA SABINA MÜNZERIN WAS BORN THE 4TH APRIL OF THE MORNING BETWEEN 5 AND 6 VHR AND HAS AVS DER H TAVF ANNA BERINGERIN".

Scheffler mentions at Christoph Laminit another baptismal / godfather beaker for a Sigmund Mack.

The godfather's tasks developed in the old church. The first evidence can be found with the church writer Tertullian. The godparents accompanied the adult baptismal applicants (catechumens) in the preparation for baptism and vouched for the seriousness of their request for baptism.

From this developed the present meaning of the godfather's tasks. When in doubt, they attest to the completion of baptism. Godparents have a special responsibility towards the Christian community to guide the baptized to the Christian faith. They should pray for the baptized child and use word and example to help him become a living member of the Church of Jesus Christ. Godparents are usually named by the parents and commissioned by the church