## HELGA MATZKE EUROPEAN SILVER



### A GERMAN PARCEL GILT SILVER SPOON WITH LEATHER CASE

### **Object Number: #345**

**City's hallmark**: Nuremberg, early 18th century **Maker's mark**: Michael Lauffer

19,7 cm long; weight: 54 gr.

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#### **Detailed Information**

### Silver Gilt Christening Spoon in original Leather Case

Literature: see: Nürnberger Goldschmiedekunst Vol I Nr. 506

The oval bowl with tapering stem chased on each side with vines, tulips and sunflowers, the stem applied with a scroll and leaf support, marked on bowl, with fitted leather case. The leather case shows a on its upper side a dove, symbol of the Holy Spirit.

This barock silver spoon was most probably made to be offered as a christening gift.

### Maker

Michael Lauffer was christened on the 27th November 1665 and became a master maker on the 14th August 1702. He got married to Barbara Maria, daughter of Magnus Rumpler. He was a known silversmith, above all for the making of cups and beakers, but also for his cutlery.