

Baroque carved oak St Anthony

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Height: 66 cm (26")

Width: 20 cm (7.9")

Depth: 15 cm (5.9")

Description

A Baroque Charles II carved oak figure of St Anthony mounted on a later wall bracket, circa 1660

Baroque carved figures of Saint Anthony holding a book reflect the ornate style and spiritual fervour of the 17th and 18th centuries. Crafted in wood, these sculptures often depict Saint Anthony in a Franciscan habit, cradling a book that symbolises his devotion to scripture and preaching.

The intricate carvings showcase flowing robes, expressive faces, and rich gilded details, embodying the dramatic flair of the Baroque era. The book may also allude to his role as a Doctor of the Church, emphasising wisdom and learning. These devotional figures served both as artistic masterpieces and as focal points for personal and communal worship.