



# PERIOD OAK ANTIQUES

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**A WONDERFUL MEDIEVAL OAK SCULPTURE OF ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST HOLDING THE POISONED CHALICE. NORTHERN EUROPE. CIRCA 1480-1500.**

THIS FINE AND EXPRESSIVE SCULPTURE DEPICTS ST JOHN HOLDING THE POISONED CHALICE, GIVEN TO HIM BY THE HIGH PRIEST OF THE TEMPLE OF DIANA AT EPHESUS. THE HIGH PRIEST SAID TO HIM, IF YOU WANT ME TO BELIEVE IN YOUR GOD I WILL GIVE YOU SOME POISON TO DRINK AND IF IT DOES NOT HARM YOU, IT MEANS THAT YOUR GOD IS THE TRUE GOD. BEFORE DRINKING THE POISONED WINE ST JOHN BLESSED THE CHALICE TO NEUTRALIZE THE POISON WHICH CAME OUT IN THE FORM OF A SERPENT, HE THEN SAFELY DRANK THE WINE, AS THE LEGEND GOES. NORTHERN EUROPEAN.

CIRCA 1480-1500. OLD REPAIR TO THE CHALICE TOP.

29" HIGH X 10" WIDE X 6" DEEP.

STOCK NO 1668.



**SOLD**

**Dimensions:**

**Height: 29 inches (73.7 cms)**

**Width: 10 inches (25.4 cms)**

**Depth: 6 inches (15.2 cms)**

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