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Relics: Saint Judas Cyriacus, Martyr

Origin: Italy

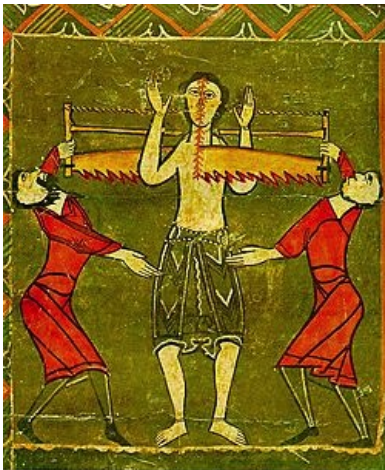
Dating: 1747

Size: reliquary: 45 mm x 32 mm (1 ¾ in x 1 ¼ in) relic

Label: Documentation: secured by a red Spanish wax seal with coat of arms of Titular Bishop of Porphyreon, with original authentic document issued in 1747 under the authority of Pope Benedict XIV.

Description:

Oval brass glass-fronted theca decorated on the interior with paperole and housing a substantial first class *ex fibulae* relic of Saint Martyr Cyriacus identified in mid-18th century ductus as *S. Ciriaci Mart.*. Theca is secured by a seal of red Spanish wax with a bishop's coat of arms and comes with original matching 1747-dated authentic document issued by Fr. Silvester Merani OSA (†1764), Titular Bishop of Porphyreon (p. 1742-1764), Prefect of the Apostolic Shrine, and Domestic Prelate and Assistant to the Papal Throne during the pontificate of Benedict XIV (p.1740-1758) as signified by the papal coat of arms on the title of the document.



Saint Judas Cyriacus of Ancona is a patron saint of Ancona, Italy. His feast day is celebrated on May 4th. According to the tradition, he assisted Saint Helena in locating the True Cross in 500AD by pointing to its possible location under layers of earth and debris. He martyred during the persecutions of Julian the Apostate, which would place his death in the 4th century. According to the *Acts* of his martyrdom, before being put to death he was subjected to horrible torments.

The Empress Galla Placidia (†450) is said to have presented the town of Ancona with the relics of Judas Cyriacus. However, the saint's head was situated at Provins, where it was brought over from Jerusalem during the Second Crusade.

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FR. SILVESTER MERANI Januen., Ord. Erem. S. Augustini,
 Dei, & Apostolicæ Sedis gratia Episcopus Porphyrrien.,
 Sacraſſi Apoſtolicæ Præfectus, ac Pontificii
 Solii Aſſiſtens.

Univerſis, & ſingulis præſentes literas noſtras viſuris fidem indubiam facimus, quod Nos ad maiorem Omnipotentis Dei gloriam, Sanctorumq; ſuorum venerationem, ex ſacris Reliquiis mandato SS. D. N. PP. à Cœmeterio extractis, & à Sacra Congregatione Indulgentiarum, ſacrarumque Reliquiarum recognitis, & approbatis dono dedimus

probatis dono dedimus

161. Ciriaci Martyris cum hoc proprio nomine reperit

collocat in reliquæ lamina Terrea figuræ ovalis ab anteriori parte vitæ munito,
apert. G. filo terreo tubulo ligato ————— benè clausa nostroque parvo sigillo obsignata

apud G. Filo Verico Subscripto _____ bene clausu. noſtroque parvo ſigillo obſignat
ſum ſiculate apud ſe retinendi, alteri donandi, extra Urbem mittendi, & in qualibet Eccleſia, vel Oratorio publicæ fide-
lium venerationi exponendi, & collocandi, abſque tamen Officio, & Miſſa, ad formam Decreti Sac. Congregationis Ri-
tuum editi die 11. Auguſti 1691. In quorum fidem has præſentes literas manu noſtra ſubſcriptas, noſtroque ſigillo firmatas
per infraſcriptum noſtrum Secretarium n. expoſiti inſimus. Dat. Romæ die 20. Menſ. : *Auguſti* Anno 1747

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Gratis ubique omnia
Reziß. lit.



Joseph Daniel Lee



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timus. Dat. Romæ die 10: Mens

