

Tankard with cover - Forgery

Metalwork Collection

Accession Nr.:	53.2003.1 
Date of production:	second half of the 19th cent.
Place of production:	Germany (presumably)
Inscription:	Fenekén hamis augsburgi hitelesítő jegy, K évbetű, lépő orozslán, liliomos korona és pajzs
Materials:	silver
Techniques:	cast; chased; gilt inside
Dimensions:	height: 24 cm opening diameter: 10,7 cm base diameter: 17 cm

The tankard recalls the Renaissance *apostle cups*, which were fairly popular stoneware dishes made in Creussen and used for drinking beer. The jointed, round foot supports a bulging body, decorated in the middle with the figures of Christ and the apostles, between rings. Their names are engraved on the ribbons above them: *S PETERSVS / S. ANDREAS / S. JACOB MAIOR / S. JOHANNES / S PHILIPPVS / S. BARTHOLOMEVS / S THOMAS / S. MATTHEUS / S. JACOB MINOR / S. SIMON / S. JUDAS THADVS / S. MATTHIAS.*

There is an inscription in Gothic letters under the figure of Christ: *drinck und J. S. gott nicht vergiá* (Drink and do not forget Jesus Christ).

The handle is stout, decorated with a female grotesque and an egg-shaped tumbler. The lid is jointed, with a bishopal escutcheon with swords, showing a crosier, mitre and stole, in an empty cartouche.

Literature

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