

Saint Rochus (inv. 00219)

Author: Anonymous

Place: Flanders

Period: 1550-1560

Material: Oak

Measurements: 152 x 49 x 40 cm

Origin: Purchased by Jean van Caloen in May 1951 from Van der Slyen (Brussels), together with St. Adrian (inv. 00218). Both statues are thought to have come from the attic of the Church of the Sablon in Brussels.

Description: Saint Rochus, full-length, wears a short tunic with a cloak held by his belt. He wears boots. The right hand as well as the cane are lost. Rochus shows with his left hand his pillow of pestilence. On his right a small angel places his right hand on Rochus' wound. The angel's wings are gone but the cutouts in the back show their place. The body is in contrapost with his right leg bearing the full weight of the body while the relaxed left leg comes forward. The man has a full beard and curly hair. The statue is a counterpart to the statue of St. Adrian (inv. 00218), both are plague saints.

Exhibition:

Bibliography:

