



## Gourreau de la Proustière, "Conclave d'Alexandre vii"

ca.1658

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### Collection overview

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## Background on Alexander VII

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