



18TH CENTURY FRENCH LOUIS XVI WALNUT LECTERN LUTRIN WITH TRIPOD BASE

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This elegant antique French walnut lectern, or lutrin, was crafted circa 1780 and exemplifies the refined yet expressive carving associated with late 18th century ecclesiastical furniture. Raised on a beautifully turned central stem, the lectern rests on a sculptural tripod base with scrolling legs terminating in carved volutes, providing both visual balance and excellent stability. The warm, richly developed walnut patina highlights the quality of the wood and the careful hand craftsmanship throughout. The book rest features an openwork gallery with softly undulating contours and pierced details, crowned by a carved cross finial, reflecting its original use for displaying a Bible or devotional text. The slanted reading surface is generously proportioned and retains its original wooden lip to secure a book in place. Both functional and decorative, this antique lutrin would make a striking statement in a library, study, music room, or as a sculptural accent in a refined interior. The piece is in excellent condition commensurate with age and use, with minor wear consistent with centuries of careful handling. 23.75"W x 25"D x 67.75"H