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Two drawings (Hamburg no. 21; Claas sale, Amsler & Ri the painting, show the saint in crocky ground, thus explaining h the picture was cut down, to red this period.

St. Philip Benizzi (1233–8 the purity of his life (hence the lil tiara). His canonization only too the aureole of a *beato*.

Hist.: Oratorio della Compagni Portsmouth Cathedral.

Bibl.: F. Baldinucci, Notizie des p. 349.
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GIACINTO BRANDI)

(Rome 1621-1691)

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The son of an embroiderer from Poli, Brandi was the pupil of the Bolognese G. G. Sementi, and reputedly also of Lanfranco, who was certainly the formative influence on his style. Brandi probably fell under his sway when he spent seven to eight months in Naples in 1638. A very successful artist, he was also prolific—which Pascoli ascribed to his continual need for money because of his extravagant way of life. His major output was of altarpieces for the churches of Rome, notably the high altarpiece of S. Rocco (before 1674) and the paintings of the Chapel of the Passion in S. Andrea al Quirinale (1675–82); but he also painted frescoes in the Palazzo Pamphilj (1646–53), S. Carlo al Corso (1671–9), S. Silvestro in Capite (1680–3), and the Gesù e Maria (1686–7). His daughter made a runaway marriage with Philipp Roos (Rosa da Tivoli). He was Principe of the Academy of St. Luke in 1669–70. In 1685 he was described by the Piedmontese Resident Provana as (along with Ferri and Maratta) one of the "tre pittori di prima riga" in Rome.

## 14 THE NATIVITY

Oil on canvas

 $233 \times 198 \, \text{cm}$ .

This painting is reputed to have come from the now demolished church of the Monache Barberine near the Baths of Diocletian, attached to their convent of the SSma. Incarnazione del Verbo Divino. This Discalced Carmelite community was

founded by Urban VIII in 1639, with a nucleus formed by the widow of his brother Paolo and her daughters. The church was rebuilt by Picchetti at the expense of Cardinal Francesco Barberini in 1670. This was the occasion for having a new high altar and side-altars, for which Brandi was asked to produce paintings. Neither Pascoli nor the guide-books specifically mention the Nativity, but in view of the dedication of church and convent, it is most probable that this was either one of the paintings arranged in some unspecified way round the high-altarpiece of the Amunciation (Titi refers to them as "i quadri delle bande, e quello di sopra") or an altarpiece in its own right - either in the church or in the inaccessible clausura of the nuns.

Antonella Pampalone regards this work as a masterpiece of Brandi's maturity. and has dated it to around 1680, when Brandi was working nearby in S. Andrea al

Quirinale.

Hist.: Convent of the Monache Barberine, Rome.

Bibl.: Antonella Pampalone, "Inediti di Giacinto Brandi", Commentari XXI 4 (1970), pp. 313 & 315 n. 21, and fig. 10 (unaware of the provenance).

## FILIPPO LAURI

(Rome 1623-1694)

The son of Balthasar Lauwers, a landscape painter from Antwerp who came to Rome around the turn of the century. Filippo Lauri was first the pupil of his elder brother Francesco (who died aged 25), and then of his brother-in-law Angelo Caroselli. Though twice employed on large decorative schemes, in the Quirinal in 1656-7, and in the Palazzo Borghese in 1671 - collaborating on both occasions with Gaspard Dughet - Lauri was chiefly renowned for his small cabinet pictures. for which he had a vast clientele amongst both princely Roman families and visiting foreigners - especially the English. A member of the Academy of St. Luke since 1654, he was appointed Principe in 1685-6.

## 15 THE EXPULSION OF ADAM AND EVE FROM PARADISE

16 ADAM AND EVE WITH THE INFANTS CAIN AND ABEL AFTER THEFALL

Oil on canvas

 $103 \times 75$  cm.

In carved and giltwood period frames

These two pictures by Lauri are autograph adaptations to a rectangular cabinet-picture format of a pair of frescoes that he executed in the 1660s, flanking a window in the lunette of the Mignanelli Chapel in S. Maria della Pace, where they are still to be seen. Francesco Saverio Baldinucci, in his Vita of Filippo Lauri (ed. Bianca Riccio, Commentari 1959, pp. 10-11) says that it was Pietro da Cortona, who had just rebuilt the church, who procured the commission for Lauri. Pascoli (who did not know that it was Lauri, rather than Salvator Rosa, who had executed the frescoes of Gideon in the Quirinal) remarks (Vita, vol. II, 1736, p. 140) "una sola (cosa) in grande ne facesse, che io sappia . . . è quella, che si vede e rappresenta Adamo, ed Eva nella capella Mignanelli alla Pace". He then goes on to enumerate the extensive list of princely Roman families and foreign countries for which Lauri painted the cabinet pictures with which he made his name, beginning: "Fecene di piccole per casa Colonna . . . ". The mention of two other pictures (of Adam and Eve after the Fall again, but with Eve spinning, and of the Death of Abel) - now in a private collection - forming a set with these in early inventories of the Colonna collection suggests that Lauri was inspired by the four paintings of the Creation and Fall painted by Domenichino for Nicolo Ludovisi at Zagarolo (cf. Richard Spear, "Some Domenichino cartoons", Master Drawings 1967, pp. 149-50) to amplify his two scenes into a similar set. The figure of Adam is clearly dependent in type upon Domenichino's, whilst the general inspiration