

# Basic Detail Report

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## Portrait of Giovanni Battista Franzoni

**Date**

1969-1979

**Medium**

gelatin silver print

**Description**

Giovanni Battista Franzoni is a Christian communist and dissident Catholic theologian. A popular abbot at St. Paul's Outside the Walls, one of the most popular churches in Rome, he was defrocked by Pope Paul VI, with whom he had feuded over theology, during the Cold War, after he had announced his intention to vote for the Italian Communist Party in 1976, which Franzoni had joined in June of that year

**Dimensions**

Overall: 30.4 x 20.3 cm (12 x 8 in.)