

Order of Saint Lazarus: Primary sources

Walter, Prince of Galillie. Donation document made out in favour of the ecclesie Beati Lazari et infirmis ibidem Deo serventibus' dated 1170. OSML/MA: Ms. fol.13 verso

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1170 Kingdon of Jerusalem	Walter, prince of Galillie, with the consent of his spouse Eschive and his sons	Donation to the church and the sick of St Lazarus an annual rent of eight besants payable in the middle of April based on the tax of Tiberias.
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In nomine Patris, et Filii, et Spiritus Sancti, amen.

Cum divina scriptura nos admoneat omnibus necessitatem patientibus viscera misericordie aperire, maxime tam super hos respicere debemus qui majore necessitate afflitti flebilem vitam degentes, absque auxilio et elemosinis alioruni vivere nequeunt. Ea propter ego, G[ualterius], Dei misericordia, Galilee princeps, notum volo fieri tam presentibus quam futuris quod ego, assensu et consilio uxoris mec, E[schive], et filiorum meorum, dono et concede, ecclesie Beati Lazari et infirmis ibidem Deo serventibus, octo bisancios, qui in funda Tabarie annualim eis, mediante aprilii, persolventur. Hoc autem donum facio pro salute anime mee, et omnium fidelium Dei defunctorum, et antecessorum et successorum meorum, de multiplice Dei remuneracione confitus.

Hujus rei testes sunt: G. de Bailoil; G. vicecomes; Willelmus, marescallus; Willelmus de Sueca; Giraldus de Caisneio. Anno ab Incarnatione Domini M * C * LXX, indictione tercia, Amalrico Latinorum rege quinto.