

## **AL-MAKIN [JIRJIS](#)**

A *hegumenos* of Alexandria, not to be confused with two famous Coptic authors of the same name—the twelfth-century historian and the fourteenth-century theologian.

Al-Makin [Jirjis](#) was a *hegumenos* who in 1609 bore the title of the head of the priests in the three churches of Alexandria. This may correspond to what is now called the “patriarchal vicar” for the city of Alexandria.

At this date he had an illuminated manuscript of 178 sheets copied. It contained the [four Gospels](#) in Arabic, with the Canons of Eusebius and introductions. In 1631 this manuscript was given to the library of the Coptic church of Jerusalem. It is now at the Coptic Patriarchate, Cairo.

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