

AL-QAYS

A city located in Middle [Egypt](#) on the west side of the Nile about 4 miles (6 km) southwest of Bani Mazar in [Minya](#) Province. In [Greek](#) it was called Kynopolis ano (Upper Kynopolis).

The [SYNAXARION](#) commemorates the martyrdom of Bisadah (Psoi) from al-Qays on 24 [Tubah](#). Records indicate that the city was a bishopric in the Middle Ages. A [bishop](#) Maqarah of al-Qays attended a synod held in [Cairo](#) in 1078, and a bishop Butrus from the city was present at the preparation of the [holy CHRISM](#) in 1299 (Munier, 1943, pp. 27, 36).

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