

MATTHEW IV

Pope of Alexandria and 102nd [patriarch](#) of the See of Saint Mark (1660-1675). Matthew (Mattawus or Matta al-Miri) of [Mir](#) in Upper [Egypt](#) was a monk of DAYR [AL-BARAMUS](#) when he was selected to the patriarchate. He remained in office for fourteen years and six months. This is all the information supplied by the HISTORY OF THE [PATRIARCHS](#) in one of the darkest periods of Egyptian history.

He was a contemporary of the [Ottoman sultan](#) Muhammad IV (1648-1687). During Matthew's patriarchate [Egypt](#) was governed by a viceroy appointed from [Constantinople](#) without ostensible impact on the [patriarch](#) or the Coptic [church](#) beyond the [levy](#) of the annual tax.

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