

Sir William Latimer 1381

My body to be buried in the church of the Priory of Gisburn in Cliveland, before the high altar of Our Lady, between two pillars... Also, I devise to the convent of Gisburn, two pounds sterling to celebrate my obit; also to the same 20 marks to buy a missal; ... also I devise to the said convent all the beasts and cattle which I have in my manor of Ugthorpe ...and that the said prior have 500 marks sterling to make their bell ...dated at Preston in Kent.

Lady Johanna, late wife of Sir Donald de Hesilrigg 1402

Also, I leave to the honour of Blessed Mary, Virgin, for the use of the refectory of the same house, all my vessels of silver there at present in charge.



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Pre-Reformation Shrine



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GUISBOROUGH

Founded 1119
Destroyed 1539



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The Guisborough Chartulary

Charter of Foundation by Robert de Brus 1119

Let it be known to your bounty that I, by the counsel and admonition of Pope Callixtus II and Thurstan, Archbishop of York, have founded a certain monastery of a religious order in Gysburne, to the honour of God and the holy Virgin Mary; and have appointed regular canons, for the salvation of the souls of the King of England, and myself, my wife, and children; and to the same church, and the service of God in it, have given all Gysburne... all these things above mentioned we have given and granted .. to the church of Holy Mary at Gysburne .. But if any one shall do violence, either in plundering the possessions of the church, or diminishing its dignities, let him beware that God and the Virgin Mary will punish him.

Charter of Confirmation by Pope Callixtus II 1119-1125

“in Beati Petri tutelam protectionemque suscepimus”
(The Pope takes Guisborough into the care and protection of St Peter)

Charter for a Market and Fair at Guisborough King Henry III, 1263

Know ye, that we have granted, and by this our charter confirmed, for us and our heirs, to our beloved in Christ, the Prior and Canons of Giseburn, that they

and their successors for ever, hold one market every week on Monday, at Giseburn, in the county of York; and one Fair in the same place every year, to last three days, viz. on the Vigil, and on the Day, and on the Morrow, of the Assumption of the blessed Mary.

Indulgence granted by Arch Booth to the Guild of the BVM at Guisborough, 1478

Sive pro animabus fratrum et sororum dictae Fraternitatis sive Gildae, cum ab hac luce migraverint, orationem dominicam cum salutatione angelica mente pia dixerint,...

Evidence of saying Lord's Prayer and Angelic Salutation for the faithful departed.

The Life and Death of St Malachy of Armagh – by St Bernard of Clairvaux

St Malachy cures a girl of cancer

And as he journeyed along King David of Scotland met him and received him with great joy. He was entertained there for several days. When he had done many things pleasing to God he continued the journey he had begun. He progressed through Scotland, making a detour to the church of Guisborough at the very borders of England. Here dwell religious men living the canonical life, men known to him for a long time by reason of their religious life and reputation. There a girl was brought to him suffering the disease horrible to look at – commonly they call it cancer. He cured her. When he blessed water and it was sprinkled on the ulcerated spots she felt no pain. On the following day the ulcers could scarcely be seen.

Libellus De Vita Et Miraculis S. Godrici

A failed cure and a completed cure

Tandem se Deo et Sanctae Mariae devovit, et ad Giseburne profecta, ubi in honore ipsius ecclesia est fundata; et ibi dmorata, nihil levius habuit,...

A woman from Seamer seeks a cure at Guisborough and other shrines and is finally cured by St Godric.

Postremo domum rediit, et apud Gyseburnum profectus, aliquandiu ibi est perheninatus;..

Gervase a monk of Durham, who studied at Paris is partially cured by St Godric, his cure is completed by Our Lady of Guisborough

Testamenta Eboracensia

Will of William Ecopp, rector of Hesleton -1472

Item, I wish that a pilgrim, or pilgrims, shall be ordained, immediately after my burial, to undertake pilgrimage for me to the undermentioned saints, namely, the Crucifix by the north door of St Paul's London, St Thomas of Canterbury, the blessed Mary of Walsingham, St Ethelreda of Ely, the Blessed Virgin Mary of Lincoln, the blessed Mary of Doncaster, St Thomas of Lancaster, St Saviour of Newburgh, The blessed Mary of Scarborough, St Botolph of Hackness, the Crucifix of Thorpbasset, the Blessed Mary of Guisborough, St John of Beverley, St John of Bridlington, St William of York, the Blessed Mary of Jesmount, the Blessed Mary of Carlisle, and St Ninian in the church of Candida Casa in Galway; and that the pilgrim, or pilgrims, should offer to each of the saints aforementioned four pence.

Christopher Conyers, chaplain and rector of Rudby 1483

To the Blessed Mary of Gisburn, my second best gilt girdle.