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# Guide to Homilies and Religious Treatises Manuscript, early 15th century



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## Descriptive Summary

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**Title** Homilies and Religious Treatises. Manuscript (Ms 155)

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**Abstract** A compilation of miscellaneous sermons and religious treatises, written in a single hand on Italian paper. Includes: *Commendatio de vita solitaria* by St. Pietro Damiani; 51 homilies of St. Augustine; several short sermons by St. Ephraim of Syria; anonymous essays on the virtues and seven mortal sins; a life of St. Hieronymus by St. Cyril; a treatise entitled *Meditatione*; and a fragment of *De institutione novitiorum* by Hugo of St. Victor. Text in Latin. Codex Ms 155.

## Information on Use

### Access

The manuscript is open for research.

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## **Citation**

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## **Scope Note**

The manuscript is in quarto format and consists of 228 leaves of coarse thick paper with several watermarks ( e.g. fols. 60, 81, 129, 151, 166, 168). Text is rubricated and written in two columns by one hand, except for the Latin hymns on fols. 226-228, written in a later hand.

The subdivisions of the text are:

- I. St. Pietro Damiani, “Commendatio de vita solitaria,” fols. 1-3
- II. St. Augustine, 51 homilies, fols. 3-128
- III. St. Ephraim of Syria, short sermons including “De beatitudine animarum,” “De praemiis beatorum,” “De paenitentia,” “De die Judicii,” “De computatione,” “De virginitate animae,” and “Oratio,” fols. 129-157
- IV. Anonymous, “De virtutibus” and “De septem vitiis principalibus,” fols. 158-172
- V. St. Cyril, Bishop of Jerusalem, “De miraculis S. Hieronymi,” fols. 173-194
- VI. Ps.-St. Bernard of Clairvaux, “Meditatione,” fols. 196-218
- VII. Hugo of St. Victor, “De institutione novitiorum” chapters 1-11, fols. 218-225
- VIII. Texts of a few Latin hymns in a later hand, fols. 226-228

Additional description

## **Related Resources**

Browse finding aids by topic.

## **Subject Headings**

- Jerome, Saint, -419 or 420
- Cyril, Saint, Bishop of Jerusalem, approximately 315-386
- Peter Damian, Saint, 1007?-1072
- Ephraem, Syrus, Saint, 303-373
- Augustine, of Hippo, Saint, 354-430
- Manuscripts, Latin (Medieval and modern)

## **INVENTORY**

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