

DIPLOMA ABBACIAE INSULA MISSARUM

tertium dies octobris anno gratie millesimo tricentesimo
tresvniuersis presentes litteras inspecturis robertus
miseracione diuina ecclesie glasguensis minister humilis
salutem eternam in domino spoliacionibus et combustionibus ac
innumeris afflictionibus quas qm religiosi abbas et conuentus
monasterii de Insula missarum per communem guerram
multipliciter sustinuerunt pie compacientes ac illorum
miserias paupertatem et angustias quantum in nobis est
releuare volentes ecclesiam de Buthbrenne nostre diocesis cuius
iis patronatus dominus thomas de cromennane miles caritatie
contulerit dictis religiosis ipsam collacionem in omnibus ratam
habentes dictam ecclesiam cedente uel decedente rectore
eiusdem dictis religiosis in proprios vsus de consensu capituli
nostri concedimus omnem defectum si quis fuerit in dicta
collacione de plenitudine ordinarie potestatis nostre penitus
supplentes saluis iuribus episcopalibus et archidiaconalibus et
quod per simplicem capellandum secularem vel unum de
canonicis dicti monasterii predicte ecclesie et parochie
honorifice deseruiatur sine alio vicarii consuetudine ad quod
nolumus dictos religiosos aut eorum successores aliquo modo
compelli in cuius rei testimonium sigillum nostrum
auctenticum presentibus est appensum datum apud
Balindarge in Angus tercio die octobris anno gratie
millesimo tricentesimo tercio.



facsimile of Inchaffray Charter 3rd October 1303

Robert, 'humble minister of the church of Glasgow' makes known that in compassion for the plunderings, burnings, and innumerable afflictions which the abbot and convent of Inchaffray had suffered through war, and desirous of relieving, so far as he could, their poverty and low estate, grants to them power to convert to their use, on the resignation or death of the rector, the church of Buthbren (Balfron) in his diocese, the patronage of which church Sir Thomas of Cromennane, knight, had charitably granted them. Every defect, if there were any, in Sir Thomas's grant he supplies out of the plenitude of his ordinary power. Episcopal and archidiaconal rights are reserved. The monastery need not appoint a vicar, but may cause the church to be served by a simple secular chaplain, or by one of their own canons. Seal of grantor.

Given at Balindarge in Angus, 3 October 1303.