

**From Prologue to St Luke's Gospel**

**(s. VII/VIII)**

**(recto) inc. missa est ut requirentibus**

**expl. congregationis admissio indis**

**(verso) inc. secutus usque ad confessionem**

**expl. filios septuaginta quattuor annorum**



**One interlinear correction *generationis* written above *congregationis***

**Parchment, 32 x 22 mm (29 x 182 mm); three long lines; ruling with a hard point; lines 12 mm apart. The fragment is folded under on the left and tipped onto page, leaving verso visible. Underneath on page is a transcription of the text in Paul Lorrain's hand.**

***Script* Insular half-uncial, Phase I, Type A. Written with a straight pen, but with uncial forms for *s* (half-uncial *s* also used), *d* (half-uncial straight *d* also used), *g*, *n* and *r* (deep-shouldered half-uncial *r* also used). *oc* form of *a*. Script of gloss is set minuscule Phase I or II, Type A, with high *e* in ligature with *n*, round uncial *s*, but minuscule *g***

***Abbreviations* Only *b̄* for *bus* and *dm̄* for *deum***

***Punctuation* None visible**

***Provenance* Taken from Durham Cathedral, A.II.17 (see MRJ, p.120); presented to Pepys by the Dean and Chapter of Durham in 1700**

***Bibliography* E. A. Lowe, op. cit., II, no.149; J. J. G. Alexander, *A survey of manuscripts illuminated in the British Isles*, vol. I, 1978 (on A II 17 Durham, ff.2–102 and 2981<sup>19</sup> with description, provenance and bibliography)**