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Saint Tryphon, patron of Nicaea? The sigillographic evidence

The present paper forms part of a larger project that seeks to determine whether Saint Tryphon was considered the patron saint of Nicaea throughout the Byzantine period, as is generally accepted, or whether this was a creation of the locally established empire of Nicaea in the aftermath of 1204. Seals bearing the representation of Saint Tryphon will be compared with seals bearing the effigies of other local saints, and combined with evidence from the textual sources and other media.