### THE HOLY ROSARY.

A DEVOTION TO WHICH THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IS DEDICATED.

These Beautiful Prayers, Woven by St. Dominic Into a Chaplet For the Queen of Heaven, Should Be Recited In Catholic Homes Every Night.

For 600 years the holy rosary has been a form of prayer singularly beloved by the faithful, high and low, learned and simple, saint and sinner, but in our own time, particularly under the instruction of our holy father, Leo ZIII, it has received a new impulse. It was to bring down help from God in the pressing needs of the church that the whole month of October was set aside and consecrated to the public recitation of the beads, and we cannot do better than at the very outset to put ourselves in the disposition to reap more abundantly the fruits of this prayer by the study and practice of the devotion.

The rosary is composed principally of two prayers, the "Our Father" and the "Hail Mary," to which are added the "Glory be to the Father," etc. The ratio is one "Our Father" to ten "Hail Marys." This division is called a decade, and there are 15 decades in the whole rosary. Now, besides this vocal prayer there is the consideration of a mystery of the life of our Saviour or of his blessed mother. These mysteries form, as it were, a sketch of the whole life and death of our Lord. The word rosary means chaplet, or crown of flowers, and of these prayers or mysteries St. Dominic has woven a crown for the queen of heaven. The joyful mysteries have been called the leaves, the sorrowful are the thorus, and the glorious mysteries are the flowers of this mystical crown of prayers.

Of the prayers which compose the rosary no word of commendation is needed. They were composed by our Lord himself, by the Angel Gabriel in his salutations to the Blessed Mother of God, by the greeting of St. Elizabeth to Mary and finally by the church, who added the supplication, "Pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our

The meditation of the mysteries and each mystery bears with it its particular lesson for our individual lives.

The prayer of the rosary was instituted in the thirteenth century by St. Dominic, under the instruction, it is said, of the Blessed Virgin herself. For 20 years this great saint of God had been laboring fruitlessly among the most depraved and demoralized heretics, but armed at last with the prayer of the rosary the cause of Christ and his blessed mother triumphed glori-

Not only against the invisible powers of darkness has this prayer prevailed, but also against an armed foe and the enemies of Christendom.

It was in 1571, when the Turks, emboldened by repeated successes, advanced into Europe and with fire and sword threatened to exterminate all who bore the name of Christian. Pope Pius V saw there was but one refuge left; it was in prayer. The faithful, at his bidding, invoked our Blessed Lady in the rosary. She heard their prayer, and on Rosary Sunday 400 years ago victory perched upon the banner of the Christians, and the power of the Turks was broken forever.

Two hundred years later another signal victory was wrought by the same powerful aid and the title, "Help of Christians," was added to the litany.

In the beginning of the present century we have a most striking example of the triumph of prayer, particularly that of the rosary. Pope Pius VII, a poor old man, broken in health and power, was stripped of his possessions and was a prisoner in the hands of a victorious emperor. But a few months and the power of the emperor, like the walls of Jericho, fell before the prayer of faith. Pius returned in triumph to Rome, and Napoleon, having abdicated his throne, was a prisoner on the island

There are other victories gained by the rosary, unknown and unseen by the world at large, but none the less glorious in the sight of God. They are those that are gained in the individual soul over its triple enemy, the world, the flesh and the devil. How many and how glorious these silent victories are will be known only on the day of judgment, but we have the assurance they are many and great. For those who member them, and the constant see things in the light of God, the saints, have preached this devotion and recommended it to all as one of the most powerful arms against the enemy of our salvation.

The advantages of the resary are many. The prayers are simple and prayers," for they were formulated by the Holy Ghost himself. There are indulgences for each bead, whether said singly or collectively. There is an inand his Holy Mother, for its mysteries are an epitome of the whole gospel.

Yet some there are who have the audacity to say that the recitation of the ticular line of business, but are always peads is good enough for poor unenlightened people, but the repeating of know nothing about.—Wheeling Church the same simple prayers is too childish | Calendar. for them. Such an objection is up-

worthy of a true Christian and is prompted solely by pride. They forget that "God resisteth the proud and giveth grace to the humble," that "the prayer of him that humbleth himself shall pierce the sky." It was of such humble souls as these who use this prayer that our Saviour said, "I confess to thee. O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent and hast revealed them to the little ones." As to repeating, it is said that the choirs of angels never cease nor tire of the strains, "Holy, holy Lord, God of the Sabbath!" There are only four strings on a violin, but what a variety of music they are capable of produc-

A few words in conclusion as to the way of saying the beads. Some will find one method suitable, some another. Some consider attentively, or meditate upon the very words of the prayer. Thus, when we address God as "our Father" think of him as a Father, one to be walked, talked with, reason with, to be pleased by our obedience and angered by our rebellion, and so on for each petition of our prayer. A second way is to offer each decade of the beads for some particular intentionse. g., one for the souls in purgatory, one to obtain the virtue of patience, one for a friend in sorrow, and so on. This helps to fix the mind and keeps us from distraction. A third method and a more common one is to meditate on the mysteries appointed for each decade.

We would exhort Catholics to be faithful to this powerful means of helping the church and saving their own souls. During this month of October all those who can should assist at the public recitation of the beads in the church. In Catholic homes this prayer should be said every night.—Guidon.

## FORT WAYNE'S NEW BISHOP.

Father Alerding of Indianapolis Appointed to the See.

Rev. Father Herman J. Alerding of Indianapolis has been named as the new bishop of Fort Wayne to succeed the late Bishop Rademacher. Papal briefs announcing the appointment of Father Alerding to this distinguished position were received in Indianapolis



from Rome a short time ago. Father Alerding is 55 years of age and has been a priest for 32 years. He was born at Newport, Ky., and was educated at St. Weinrads, the Benedictine monastery, in Spencer county. He has lived in Indianapolis 26 years, and parish in that city since 1874.

The diocese of Fort Wayne, over which Bishop Alerding will exercise jurisdiction, is an important one. It includes Notre Dame and other well known institutions.

#### Things to Forget.

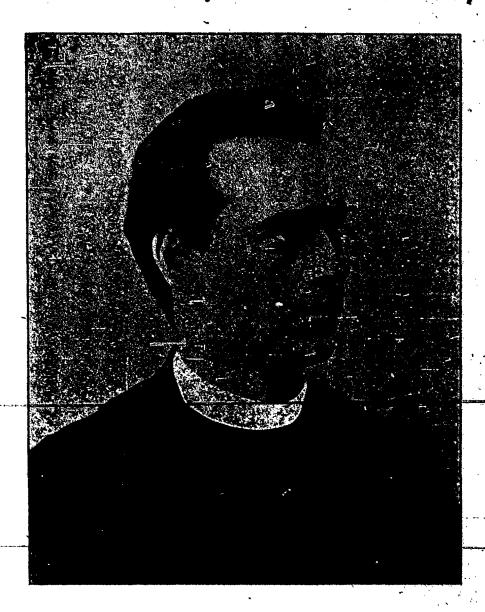
If you would increase your happiness and prolong your life, forget your neighbor's faults. Forget the slander you have ever heard. Forget the temptations. Forget the fault finding and give little thought to the cause which provoked it. Forget the peculiarities of your friends and only remember the good points which make you fond of them. Forget all personal quarrels or histories you may have heard by accident and which if repeated would seem a thousand times worse than they are. Blot out as far as possible all the disagreeableness of life. They will come, but they will grow larger when you rethought of acts of meanness or, worse still, malice will only tend to make you more familiar with them. Obliterate everything disagreeable from yesterday. Start out with a clean sheet for today and write upon it for sweet memory's sake only those lovable touching; they are "the best of all things which are lovely and lovable.-Weekly Bouquet.

#### Their Liberality. !

There are some Catholics who call miliar with the life of our Blessed Lord | markable fact that those who claim for least loyal Catholics. They would not stand any criticism in their own parforemost in criticising things they

# Two Parishes Mourn.

Rector of St. Mary's Church Passes Away



#### FATHER MURPHY.

Written for the Catholic Journal.

Another loved one gone before us, To his heavenly home above, Where our Saviour was awaiting To receive his soul with love. In the month of bright October

When autumn leaves were every hue, Thy spirit wearled of its task, And bade us a last adieu. How little thought we, beloved father,

When so short a time ago, As the last sad words were spoken O'er the friend that loved you so. That we soon would gently lay you ('lose beside that silent tomb, Where we inid him in the springtime, When May flowers were in bloom.

That God so soon would call you, To His home above to reign, To meet your friend in heaven

Never more to part again. But we will miss you, dearest father, And we'll not forget to pray, That we may meet again in heaven On the resurrection day.

How sad to part with those so dear, That bound our hearts with fondest love In this vale of tears and sighs.

But there will be a glad to-morrow When we'll all be going home, When God will send His angels And the trumpets will be blown.

May our loved ones then be waiting Just across the other shere; And we'll be once more united With them and God forever more.
—MARY C. WELCH.

Rev. Timothy C. Murphy, M. R., rector last Saturday morning at St. Mary's Very Rev. Thomas F. Hickey. he has been in charge of St. Joseph's hospital, where he was taken last week,

> Academy, later entering the Troy Semi-Gommenginger, Rev. D. Laurenzio. nary, in the year 1873. The deceased was ordained a priest on December 23, 1876, diocese, also attended the funeral. at the early age of 22 years.

next appointed pastor in the parish of Hargarther, of St. Michaels; James P. Livonia and Honeoye, where he filled the Hickey, of Holy Apostles. duties of his position in a manner that The honorary bearers were trustees of During his pastorate in these two places, They were Thomas Lochney, Frank Tallargely by his own efforts, he built the ling, Patrick Cooper, William G. Reid, during his time the progress made by ance for the discouragement at Livonia and Honeoye until he was appointed pastor of the Holy Apostles' church in this city in 1884. In the same year he built a church and school. Under James T. Kennedy and B. J. Kennedy. It is and the pastor of the Bourbons and the apother will be appointed by the same of all those who reconstruction of the Australian and the same year he built a church and school. Under James T. Kennedy and B. J. Kennedy. It is a same the congregation grew so in Throughout the service angels must same the same in church in this city in 1884. In the same James McGovern, Bernard Dunn, grapher he built a church and school. Under James T. Kennedy and B. J. Kennedy.

Iltion of the petty sovereignly and the like of Switzerland, his guidance the congregation grew so in numbers that four years ago he built the was rendered by the choir of St. Mary's has her destiny yet to make but for the present we have to see in the present we have to se torate at St. Mary's he had endeared o'Conner rendered the "De Profundis themselves the word liberal are the himself to his congregation by his unfall- At the close of the mass, as the casket and church and the congregation, de-noily sang effectively "A Message From prived for a third time of a pastor inside the Sacred Heart." of two years, will sincerely moun the & long line of carriages followed the

aged father and mother, John and Mar-priestal plot

garet Murphy, of Macedon. He is also survived by two brothers, John-Henry, pathy of the civilized world went tot of Macedon, and Stephen J., of Palmyra, the most part with that of United and three sisters, Mrs. Frank W. Ma- Italy, to whose political union the loney and Mrs. John S. Keenan, both of papacy owed the loss of its temporal and three sisters, Mrs. Frank W. Mathis city, and Ella R. Murphy, of Mace-

nains of the dead briest lav i state in the chapel at St. Mary's hospital until 10 o'clock Monday morning. when they were removed to St. Mary's church, where they laid in state until 10 o'clock Tuesday morning when the duneral took place. The capacity of the church was taxed

and many stood during the long service. The church interior was decorated with the usual somber black and white fextooned on ceiling, side walls and balco- the beginning of his career made up as before. nies. There was a large representation his mind that the position of the Dibof clergymen present and a large representation from the C. M. B. A. and L. C. B. A., and other societies. The Sisters captance as far as possible of the that takes place in American of Charity, Mercy and of St. Joseph occupled the pews flanking the altar. The office of the dead was chanted by Revs. Emil Gefell and M. J. Nolan. This was followed by solemn pontifical requiem mass, which was celebrated by Bishop J. E. Quigley, of Bunalo, in the especially in Latin, but also has given Pope Leo's recent absence of Bishop McQuaid. Assisting, him that which has been of far great, occupied in the con as deacons of the mass, were Rev. J. P.

Donnelly and Rev. J. W. Hendrick were to the bishop were Revs. T. O. Connor, J. Maley and J. Globons. The mitre bearer was Rev. J. Kelly and the acolytes were Revs. M. Wall and J. Keenan. Rev. George Heisler was thurliyer, while Rt. Rev. H. De Regge was master of ceremonies, assisted by Rev. Thomas F of St. Mary's church, died at 2 o'clock Connors. The culogy was pronounced by Among the clergymen of the diocese

suffering from an attack of appendicitis. who were present were: Rt. Rev. H. Do When he became Pope he set about tons partied to physicians hoped for his recovery, but there was a turn for the worse, and the patient did not rally. He was conscious to the last and bade a tender farewell to his relatives and brother priests who sorrowfuly gathered at his bedside.

Father Murphy was born at Macedon, on October 19, 1854. His boyhood was passed in that town, and he was educated at Macedon Academy. After that he took a preparatory course at St. Hyacinth's an appearance of the the resolved apparently, in the vector 1972. The description of the content of the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently, in the vector 1972. The description of the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved apparently in the content at the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved its papers in the papers in the papers in the papers in the papers. The resolved its papers in the papers. The resolved its papers in the pap in operation was performed and the Regge, Very Rev. Thomas L. Hickey, Rev. T. D. Kennedy, of the Peorla (III,

The active bearers were Rev. Fathers After his ordination he was stationed A. Evans, of Ithaca; Simon Fitzsimmons at St. Patrick's Cathedral in Rochester. of Lima; Hariley, of Palmyra; Martin Remaining here for a short time he was Hendricks, of Penn Yan; Mathias J

won the admiration and respect of all St. Mary's and Holy Apostles' churches.

Kiernan, who had been appointed only a Crown." The choir was under the direct necessary to convert italy into the day discounted few months before as the late Rev. J. P. tion of Miss Julia Madden. Other solos semblance of a great European power cheerful and Stewart's successor. As irremovable rec-were sung by the Misses Keele and Maddulgence for simply carrying them.

themselves liberal whose only liberal tor, Father Murphy was one of the dio-rigan and Messrs. Hall, and Boucher, the world. My business in life is denot should a lity consists in liberally distributing cesan advisers who made up Bishop Mc-William F. Predmore sang the the welfare of humanity. I am the the serin and criticisms on church affairs. It is a re- Quaid's cabinet. During his brief pas-Irae," and for the offertory Mrs. J. B. ing zeal and sincere devotion to his faith was borne down the aisle. Augustin Con-

death of their loved rector, hearse to the Holy Sepulchre cemetery.

The deceased priest is survived by his where the body was laid at rest in the

LEOXIII A STATESMAN

IUSTIN M'CARTHY WRITES OF THE VENERABLE PONTIFF

The Last of England's Greatest Statespeen. The Arbitration of Lee Accepted by Disc loudly proclaimed that whatever pulling States.—His Great Interest in this he and Me collection might de. Affairs of America.

great European statesmen of the cen- imposed on him by Gregory VILtury. During recent years Gladstone. Bismarck and Pope Leo XIII, atood bigh above all other living statesmen of Europe. A little further back we come to such men as Count Cavour and Thiers and Guisot; further back still to such men as Channing, and then we are among the great names that belong to the earlier part of the century. In recent years, however, Gladstone, Bismarck and Pope Leo XIII, have stood alone.

.I desire to judge Leo XIII, only as a statesman, and not as an ecclesian.

. The inception of his whole career anthropy, to adopt the words which his career. Gladstone in my own hearing applied to Dan O'Connell, "to improve the condition of the tolling classes all over the world; to mitigate the troubles of the overtasked, to abolish sixybry in every torm, while and black; to lighten the load of the heavy laden, to spread the gospel of peace among the nations." These have been the purposes of Leo's career. It is doing no more than have justice to the motives which seem always to have guided him when we say that his ambition has been to make the life of the pontiff a practical Illustration of peace, goodwill, and more-in intelectual; advancement among men. Leo came to the throne of the pap-

acy at a time when the wordly conditions of that throne seemed to be hopelessly shaken. The Pope has had no imperial sovereignty left to him. and it must be noted that the sympapacy owed the loss of its temporal among cartain fallocation.

possessions. Leo's predecessor, Pius among cartain fallocation. IX. was a man of pure and avaited length Protestalts fall of our an ecclesizatio, and he had few of the pe qualities of a statesman. He was not a man endowed with the pacultar one Perpany and the pacity which maight have enabled him host sompromise to regain for the papacy that influen ence arising from new conditions, and him miglish colleges the spread of mewidens seemed at the ture to stretch d time to have been taken from it. However, Leo appears to have from on tavolving upon acy was only to be recovered by a close and attactive syst mentery of the new ideas and an ac- ment, political, some and new conditions. The Pope he been a the fullest and despest and student from his earliest years. There the peaceful progress of the is a distinct suguston of the posite and is sepecially provid of the influence in his nature which has which civic equality and found expression indeed in the com- freedem has exabled its to position of many fine pieces of poetry, to take in the United State er importance to his career, that qual- talm tendencies which Quinn and Rev. J. J. Leary. Rev. J. J. ity of dramatic instinct which enables resented to him as making Donnelly and Rev. J. W. Hendrick were a man to enter into the nature and apparent in America the deacons of honor, and the assistants feelings of other men and without tendencies which so which there can be no real orestive believed to indicate statesmanship.

Pope Leo XIII, has seen a good deal that which is. in life besides the papel city. He has in Surope is in been papel nuncio at Brussels, where mountal readers to had the opportunity of conversions with the apperts. With statesment from all countries, the Brooks countries visited Paris, he visited London and 1888, a pre-was presented to Queen Victoria and Indian what he conceived to be the work of stament The nothing of the claims of the papary and he refused as his presected the cylindre of a 128 part that come to recognize the king of against the monarchy against the monarchy against the monarchy all this spent like of his time in the them. tile efforts to regist the physical man-tery of the new conditions and ne made it his task above all things to jects. It is likelyprove that the moral inducaces of the riots were at least papery was not to be circumscribed by republican Soc by the limitations of the Popers and he agitators, but, As I possessions It must be owned that Pope Les has alve Pope Leo has seemed to say to all work on him to apostle of peace and universal big he careful ab erhood. I offer my mediation as an course and of special of prochemood in the that payer all quarrely where the glaputants are him lo co willing to receive my counse and my & help." He has had some hard batte

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by all principle of passive he has generally contrived to victorious. All the world with interest while ? a battle greatest statesman then I ving Extropout monthese. Bisma to the famous castle where Hear Pope Leo is the last survivor of the of Germany submitted to the pe though Blamarch cartainly did not to Cancess, he was undoubtedly is the victor in the great Kulturken or citicational battle which was ware between him and Pope Leo. It is pe haps only fair to say that the hear of the old Emperor William Hu march's master, was never thoroughly with his great minister in this tempt to make the authority of State overrule the dictates of priv conscience. The arbitration of P Leo has been accepted more than by disputing States which acknow edged no supremacy on the post The inception of his whole career the Pope but that given him by may be described as a passion of phil-moral industries of his authority at

> Leo has strongly recommended several momentous instances the ognition of octablished facts in progress of nations. For example ortabilished system in France, al used the whole force of his author to induce the French Catholics to copt the republican form of nove ment and to make the best of its takes the closest and most satisfe erest in all institutions to whatev country they belong which had thing to do with the true organ tion of labor, and which tend to mote the education the more. provement, the personal independ and the domestic comfort of the ing min. His was the first of ed in condisi response to the time the Cutr for a conference of Do States to bring about a co the increase of transmining it arbitration and an end to the

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