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TO OUR READERS.

We sincerely request our readers to attend to the intentions that are recommended to their prayers at the end of "The Voice." They are very numerous and some of them are very urging and more so than we can give the public to understand. We know that if some of our good subscribers would witness certain distressing cases that are recommended to us, they would pray fervently and beg prayers for relief. With this confidence we beg your prayers, also an occasional communion for the intentions recommended in "The Voice." We would likewise ask of all to say frequently the little prayer printed on small slips fit for prayer-books. This prayer is to obtain a happy death, by asking this grace constantly all will be better prepared to receive that special favor that is asked for by the monthly masses. The more "The Voice" is propagated the more urging demands we receive for prayers and we sincerely rejoice to see our good work so prosperous and so many good people understanding the importance and necessity of united prayers. In order to coincide with this desire, this holy craving, and to encourage still more our good work, we have resolved to offer a favor to all our subscribers for 1881 and this is a novena of masses.

Last January in order to give ample time to every one to renew his subscription and to enjoy the benefit of the January mass we delayed saying it till the end of the month. We will do the same next January and will continue to say the February mass and others so as to have a novena of 9 masses. The other monthly masses will be as usual.

The first of these 9 masses will be said on the 30th of January and the last on the 7th of February. The first will be for all the subscribers who died during the preceding year, the others to obtain a happy death for all our subscribers and other favors which they desire to obtain whether they be made known to us or not. So we hope that all our subscribers will be united to us during these 9 days, at the holy altar, in intention and desire.

We trust this will be gratifying to our old friends and that it will obtain other subscribers and give a new impulse to our good work. It will certainly save us a great deal of trouble and expense; of trouble, because all