

lace's Church, Williamsport, Pa.; St. Mary's Church, New Albany, Ind.

At Scipio, Kas., from: Martinsville, Wis.; Ashton, Wis.; Verbaat, Oreg.; Kansas City, Mo.; Lincoln, Neb.; Carenthersville, Mo.; St. Joseph's Church, Easton, Mo.; Cumberland, Io.; Plena Blanca, N. Mex.; Exira, Io.; Wilber, Neb.; Vicsman, Marien Co., Mo.

At New Baltimore, Pa., from: Nicholson, Pa.; St. Joseph's Convent, Somerset, O.; Holy Xavier's Church, Wilkesbarre, Pa.; St. Patrick's Church, Spar-ta, Wis.

Petitions Asked For.

The prayers of our readers are kindly requested for the following petitions:—

A conversion to the true faith; that a patent may be granted; that the members of a family may obtain good positions; for another family; several special intentions; that a young man may attend to his religious duties; four persons who are addicted to drink, and neglect their religious duties.

THE ROSARY CHAIN.

In pearls of tears our Mother shed her eyes,

Those tears became her children's lovely gain,

For Christ upon a golden cord of love
Strung every one and made a rosary—
chain.

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Ah! to those who have no knowledge it is easy to speak of processions of angels; but those who have seen where an angel is—how they flock upon us unawares in the darkness so that one is confused, and scarce can tell whether it is a reality or a dream—to those who have heard a little voice, soft as the dew, coming out of the heavens—the angels do not come in processions; they steal upon us unawares, they reveal themselves to the soul.

Custom may lead a man into many errors, but it justifies none.

Obituary.

We recommend to the pious prayers of our readers the following lately deceased:—

Cardinal Lucido Maria Parocchi, sub-dean of the Sacred College and vice-chancellor of the Catholic Church, who died of heart disease at Rome, Jan. 15th. He was born of humble parents at Mantua, Aug. 13th, 1833, and was created Cardinal June 22nd, 1877. After occupying various important positions, he was made Cardinal Vicar of Rome, and as Cardinal Bishop he held successfully the suburban sees of Albano and Porto and Santa Rufina. In 1899, on account of ill-health, he was compelled to resign the office of Cardinal Vicar of Rome, and was appointed by the Pope, Vice-Chancellor, which office he held till his death.

Cardinal Parocchi was one of the foremost Cardinals during the whole reign of Leo XIII. He was noted for his profound learning and powerful eloquence, but with all this, he was of a kind, loving disposition. He was a devout client of the Blessed Virgin, whose livery he always gloried in wearing. He was also a member of the third order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

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Rev. Elias Mayer, O.C.C., who departed from this life on Jan. 10th, at Scipio, Kansas. Father Elias was born Feb. 2nd, 1846, in Baden, Germany. When he was only three years of age, his parents came to New York, where he attended the parochial school, giving great satisfaction, both to pastor and teachers. When yet a boy, he studied with the Redemptorists, but afterwards joined the Carmelites in Kansas. He was sent by Father Cyril Knoll to Rome to finish his studies, where he was ordained May 22nd, 1869. Returning to America, he attended to different missions in Kansas, and was pastor for some years at New Baltimore, Pa. Two years ago he was attacked by inflammation of the lungs, from which, however, he partially recovered until the beginning of this year, when he began to fail rapidly, and on Saturday, a day dear to the Blessed Virgin, Jan. 10th, he passed away peacefully. He was always noted