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and forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is Crucified to me, and I to the world.—St. Paul, Gal. vi. 14.

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## CALENDAR.

Oct. 26—Sunday—St Evaristus, Pope and Martyr.  
27—Monday—St Antoninus, Bishop and Confessor.  
28—Tuesday—Sts Simon and Jude, Apostles.  
29—Wednesday—Sts Nereus, Achillens and Domitilla, Virgin and Martyr.  
30—Thursday—St Ubald, Bishop and Confessor.  
31—Friday—St Sircius, Pope and Confessor (Fast day)  
Nov. 1—Saturday—Feast of All Saints—(Holiday of strict obligation.)

## VISITATION AT CHESTER.

The Bishop, accompanied by the Rev. Mr. Doyle, arrived in Chester on Tuesday evening, the 14th instant, and the duties of the Visitation were performed on the two following days.

On Wednesday a Pontifical High Mass was celebrated, Rev. Edmond Doyle, of Prospect, assisting as Deacon, and Rev. Patrick Power, of Liverpool, as Sub-deacon.

At three o'clock the Bishop consecrated, as a Cemetery, the fine piece of ground adjoining the new Church. Nearly all the inhabitants of the town were present at this affecting ceremony. The day was so beautifully calm that the candles on the five Crosses of the grave-yard continued burning for more than an hour after the Benediction had concluded.

When the Psalms, the Litanies of the Saints, and the Preface were chaunted, the old and solemn tones of the Gregorian Psalmody, heard

for the first time in this enchanting neighbourhood, were re-echoed loud and long in the stilly atmosphere, and through the wooded islands, for which Mahone Bay is so justly celebrated. In the evening Vespers were chaunted, and night prayers recited by the Bishop, who preached from the six. Psalm, 5 verse. He also preached at the High Mass, and after the Benediction of the Cemetery. The discourses consisted of explanations of the various ceremonies, and expositions of different points of Catholic belief, such as, the Real Presence, the Mediatorship of Christ, the infinite atonement of the Sacrifice of the Cross, the nature, character, and functions of Christ's priesthood, the Sacrifice of the Mass, the doctrine of a middle state, and prayers for the dead, exclusive salvation, &c.

On Thursday, High Mass *coram Episcopo* was celebrated by the Rev. Edmond Doyle, after which the Bishop delivered an exhortation to those who were to be confirmed, and preached on the Infallibility of the Church of Christ, and the consequent obligation upon all mankind to listen to her divine teaching. The Sacrament of Confirmation was then administered to about 40 persons, some of whom were converts. Messrs. Stieverman, Mogan, Kearney, and Smith, came with the Catholic choir from Lunenburg, which added greatly to the effect of the solemnities. Confirmation being over, the Bishop exhorted those who