

# THE CROSS.

God 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, Galvi. 11.

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## Weekly Calendar.

- Nov. 26. Sunday last after Pentecost, S. Silvester, Abbot.  
27. Monday, S. Elizabeth, Queen, Widow.  
28. Tuesday, S. Gregory III., Pope, Conf.  
29. Wednesday, S. Gelasius I., Pope and Martyr.  
30. Thursday, S. Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland.  
Dec. 1. Friday, S. Didacus, Conf. (from Nov. 13.)  
2. Saturday, S. Bibiana, Virgin and Mart.

## LINCOLN CATHEDRAL.—THE CHURCH OF ST. BOTOLPH, BOSTON.

The minster is the pride and glory of Lincoln. This magnificent building from its situation on the highest part of a hill, and the flat state of the country to the south-east and south-west, may be seen at the distance of twenty miles. Raised at a vast expense, by the munificence of several prelates, it discovers in many parts singular skill and beauty; particularly its western front, which cannot fail to attract the attention of the most unobservant traveller. And of all the ancient fabrics of this description now remaining in England, no one deserves the attention of a curious inquirer more than this, "whose floor," says Fuller, in his humorous style, "is higher than the roof of many churches." It may be said to be a building proportioned to the amplitude of the diocese; it is justly esteemed one of the most

extensive and regular of its kind, notwithstanding it was erected at different periods, and has undergone various alterations in later times. After the see was removed to this place, the new bishop, Remigijs, according to Henry of Huntingdon, "purchased lands on the highest parts of the city, near the castle which made a figure with its strong towers, and built a church, strong and fair, in a strong place and in a fair spot, to the Virgin of Virgins, in spite of all the opposition from the Archbishop of York, who laid claim to the ground, placing in it forty-four prebendaries. This afterwards being damaged by fire, was elegantly repaired," by that munificent and pious bishop of Lincoln Alexander. The first foundations were laid in the year 1083, by bishop Remigijs, and the building was continued by him and his successor, Robert Bloet. Soon after the death of this bishop, the church is said to have been burnt down about A. D. 1127 and rebuilt by bishop Alexander, his successor, with an arched stone roof, to prevent the recurrence of a like accident in future; and it is stated, that he set his whole mind upon adorning his new cathedral, which he made the most magnificent at that time in England. But though thus rendered pre-eminent for size and decoration, it was made more elegant by St. Hugh of Burgundy, in the time of Henry II. This prelate added several parts, which were then named the New Works. The cathedral church consists of a