

lished by Solier the Bollandist, p. 608. t. 5. Jul. See also Alford in *Annal.* ad an. 687. n. 21.

## ST. DECLAN,

## FIRST BISHOP OF ARDMORE IN IRELAND,

WAS baptized by St. Colman, and preached the faith in that country a little before the arrival of St. Patrick, who confirmed the episcopal see of Ardmore, in a synod at Cashel in 448.\* Many miracles are ascribed to St. Declan, and he has ever been much honoured in the viscounty of Dessee, anciently Nandesii. See Usher; Bosch the Bollandist, p. 590, and Colgan in *MSS.* ad 24 Julij.

## ST. KINGA, OR CUNEGUNDES.

SHE was daughter of Bela IV. king of Hungary, and Mary, daughter to Theodorus Lascharis, emperor of Constantinople: was married in 1239 to Boleslas the Chaste, sovereign of Lesser Poland, or of the palatinates of Cracow, Sandomire, and Lublin; but by mutual consent lived in perpetual chastity. Prayer, mortification, alms, and daily attendance on the poor in the hospitals, employed her time. Boleslas dying in 1279, she took the veil in the great monastery of Sandecz, which she had lately built for nuns of the Order of St. Clare. She died on the 24th of July in 1292. She was venerated with singular piety in the diocess of Cracow and several other parts of Poland, and her name was solemnly inscribed among the saints by Alexander VIII. in 1690. See her life by John Longinus commonly called Dlugos, with remarks by Bosch the Bollandist, t. 5. Julij. p. 661.

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## ST. JAMES THE GREAT, APOSTLE.

ST. JAMES, the brother of St. John Evangelist, son of Zebedee and Salome, and nearly related to Christ, was called the

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\* Ardmore (so called from its situation on an eminence) stands on the sea-coast, not far from the mouth of the river now called Broad-water or