dome, St. Bennet's, &c. under their own general. The strictest union has always subsisted between the sister congregations of St. Vanue and St. Maur, and both adopt almost the same constitutions.

ST. BENIGNUS, OR BINEN, BISHOP.

HE was a disciple of St. Patrick by whom he was appointed to the see of Armagh, after that apostle had resigned it. He was eminent for piety and virtue, and for the gentleness of his disposition; and resigned his see three years before his death, which happened in 468. See Colgan and Ware.

NOVEMBER. X.

ST. ANDREW AVELLINO, C.

See his life, written five years after his death, by F. John Baptist Castaldo, Pr. of his Order, printed at Naples, 1613.

A. D. 1608.

St. Andrew Avellino was a native of Castro Nuovo, a small town in the kingdom of Naples, and born in 1520. In his infancy he gave early tokens of the most happy dispositions to virtue. At school he had the fear of God always before his eyes, and dreaded the very shadow of the least sin. A beautiful complexion exposed his chastity to several snares and dangers: which he escaped by assiduous prayer, mortification, watchfulness over himself, and care in shunning all dangerous company. To pretend a desire to serve God, and resist the world and vice, without a strenuous application to all the exercises of virtue, especially penance and prayer, he called a