Decree of Erection of the Province: Decree of November 16, 1873

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A new Province of the Institute is created in America under the title of Vice-Province of the United States. It consists of three communities: the community of Piqua, erected on the title of St. Boniface, patron of the parish and having as annex the establishment of St. Joseph in Pontiac, the vice community of St. Remy in Russia, and finally the one of Berlin dedicated to the Sacred Heart.

By decree of the same date the Most Reverend Father has nominated Father Strub, vice-provincial superior of these different houses, and at the same time superior in particular of the central community of Piqua, and of the house of St. Joseph; Father Schwab, vice-superior of the community of St. Boniface at Piqua; Father Ott, superior of the house of St. Remy; and Father Bigol, superior of the Sacred Heart in Berlin.