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LIFE WITH CHRIST IS A WONDERFUL ADVENTURE!-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II



Our <u>lady</u> of <u>lourdes</u> Feast Day: February 11th

On February 11, 1858, in Lourdes, France, Bernadette Soubirous was in a remote stone grotto when a beautiful woman appeared to her. When asked her name by Bernadette, the woman responded, "I am the Immaculate Conception."

The Blessed Mother appeared to Bernadette seventeen times and urged Bernadette to pray for sinners. Our Lady told Bernadette to dig into the mud and a spring developed. Many healings have been attributed to this water. In his visit to Lourdes, Pope Benedict told the faithful, "Mary is the one who believed and, from her womb, rivers of living water have flowed forth to irrigate human history. The spring that Mary pointed out to Bernadette here in Lourdes is the humble sign of this spiritual reality. From her believing heart, from her maternal heart, flows living water which purifies and heals."

This year marks the 160th anniversary of the recognition of the apparitions of Our Lady to St. Bernadette. If you would like to see the grotto and learn more about it, there is a beautiful virtual tour of it on the Sanctuary of Our Lady Lourdes website. It can be found here: https://www.lourdes-france.org/visite-virtuelle/