

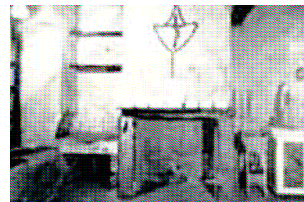
## France, 1888

## Eucharistic Miracles of Lourdes

On August 22, 1888, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, there took place for the first time at Lourdes the procession together with the benediction of the sick with the Blessed Sacrament. It was a priest who proposed this pious practice and it has not been abandoned since that time. Once, on August 22, 1888, when the Benediction with the Blessed Sacrament was imparted to the sick gathered in front of the grotto of the apparitions, Pierre Delanoy, who had been suffering for years from ataraxy (an illness which impedes the coordination of voluntary movements, and leads to certain death), was healed instantly as the monstrance passed by him. It was the first Eucharistic Miracle that took place at Lourdes. From that day on, the sick who make their way to Lourdes on pilgrimage are blessed with the Blessed Sacrament, and the miraculous healings that have been confirmed through the Blessed Sacrament passing by are innumerable. The Shrine of Lourdes is a shining example of faith in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.



(1) St. Bernadette



(2) Bernadette's Home



(3) One of the earliest photographs of Bernadette at the grotto (1864)



(4) Statue of the Virgin Mary in the grotto where she appeared to Bernadette



(5) The Shrine at Lourdes



(6) Miss Marie Bigot, partially blind and deaf, recovered her hearing and sight when the Blessed Sacrament passed by her in procession



(7) Alice Couteaul, who was cured of sclerosis when the Blessed Sacrament passed by her



(8) Miss Louise Jamain, who was cured of pulmonary-intestinal tuberculosis when the Blessed Sacrament passed by her