

Mass with blessing of
candles: Saturday at
8:15 in the church.

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At Benediction tonight
at 7:00 remember Bud
Mulvey (B-P) who is
recovering from a very
serious operation.

How Henriette Hauton Was Cured.

Before me are two pictures, one of a fine-looking, well-built young woman; the other of a frightful-to-behold, skeleton-like person. Inscribed below each of these pictures is the name "Henriette Hauton." As I look from one to the other I realize why Doctor Boissarie exclaimed: "It is a resurrection."

Henriette Hauton, daughter of a humble restaurateur, was born in 1888 in the town of Lisieux. When a young child she suffered much from digestive disorders. Diarrhea, vomitings and hemorrhages of the stomach took their toll of the girl of ten and quickly reduced her to an emaciated state. The guests at her father's restaurant were disturbed by her wasted appearance and requested that the child be kept out of sight. As time went on the girl became unable to take nourishment and was sustained only by serums and artificial feedings. By the time she was twenty years of age she weighed but thirty-eight pounds and had not been out of bed for five years.

In this deplorable condition Henriette Hauton asked to be enlisted in the National Pilgrimage (to Lourdes). When her request was refused, she tried to join the Pilgrimage of Lisieux, but she did not succeed, for many felt that she would not survive the long, hard journey. Perseveringly she turned to the Bayeux Pilgrimage which accepted her. Thus the girl and her mother took their cause to Our Lady with whom no true plea is in vain.

As the poor invalid was carried about by her parent, many pilgrims gazed at her and wondered why one so old (she appeared about eighty) and so wasted away should seek a cure. On the eighth of September 1908, she was bathed in the waters of Massabielle (at Lourdes) and an improvement was noted. The following day the young sufferer was taken to that grandest of all processions, the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament. When Monsignor d'Evreux held up the Saint-Sacrament in blessing, Henriette Hauton's plea was answered; God granted her a miraculous cure.

Imagine the joy of all who behold her as she raised herself and walked, she whose muscles had disappeared and whose body had been reduced to skin and bones. Quickly she gained weight. Twelve days later she weighed seventy-five pounds; three months hence the scales showed her to weigh one hundred ten pounds.

Returning home she presented herself to her father whom she hoped to convert. His reaction is best expressed in his own words: "I believe now, and I wish to make my First Communion," a grace that was granted to him that very year.

Enjoying vigorous health, Henriette Hauton often returned to the holy village where, kneeling before the lovely grotto, she offered her heartfelt thanks to Notre Dame de Lourdes!
(From the Annals of Our Lady of Lourdes)

You should observe that Our Lady took Henriette to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament before performing this marvelous cure. That seems to be the case in the majority of miracles at Lourdes; most of the wonders take place before the Blessed Sacrament. If such seems to be will of Our Lady, then you should make Mass and Communion part of your Novena for the Sick which begins tomorrow and ends on the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. You should visit the Grotto during the Novena too. If you do not have any sick friends or relatives, then pray for sinners and a sick old world. Both need our Lady and her intercession.

DO YOU WANT THE CONVERSION OF RUSSIA? Our Lady promised this on the following conditions: reception of Communion on the First Saturday of 5 consecutive months, in honor of her Immaculate Heart, along with five decades of the Rosary accompanied by meditation on the Mysteries.