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<u>Lourdes</u>

Lourdes is in the South of France and it is an important place of pilgrimage for sick people. It first started when Bernadette had a vision of Our Lady. In total Mary appeared 18 times but some of the times there was a different image.

Lourdes water is from the spring in the Grotto of Massabielle. Many people go to Lourdes to bathe in the special water it has.

At night, there is a candle procession all day many candles burn in front of the grotto

Pilgrims at Lourdes have huge crowds of every race and nation, the old and the young, the sick and the healthy gather together to experience the Church.



Every afternoon the sick are given a special blessing. It gives them comfort and their helpers gain from being with the sick and serving them as Christ cared for the sick on Earth.