

**For Immediate Release**

## **Euclid Shrine Celebrates Lourdes 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

**Beginning with celebrations in February, The National Shrine and Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes in Euclid is observing the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Mary's apparitions at the Grotto in Lourdes, France.**

**As part of the worldwide celebration of this anniversary, the National Shrine in Euclid is inviting the faithful to participate in a Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes.**

**The sacrament of reconciliation (Confession) will be celebrated daily during the Novena which begins on Sunday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. A special Eucharistic Devotion Day will be held on Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup>. The Novena will culminate on its 9<sup>th</sup> day, Monday, February 11<sup>th</sup> with confessions at 6:00 p.m., Rosary at 7:00 p.m., followed by Mass and Novena prayer lead by the Most Rev. A. Edward Pevco, retired auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland.**

**It was reported that between February 11th and 25th, 1858, Bernadette Soubirous (Later declared St. Bernadette) saw a beautiful lady appear 18 times with different messages. Bernadette was told to uncover a flow of water, which would have healing effects. Within four years, after rigorous examination, the apparitions were declared authentic.**

**Pope Benedict XVI has announced the granting of a plenary indulgence to those who participate in the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. A plenary indulgence is a remission of all punishment due for sins committed by an individual.**

**(See attached for the February schedule at The National Shrine of Our lady of Lourdes, 212812 Chardon Rd. in Euclid.)**

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**January 7, 2008**

**Sunday, February 3, 2008**

Mass at 8:00 AM  
Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer.  
Homily: The Joyful Mysteries

**Monday, February 4, 2008**

Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer.  
Homily: The Joyful Mysteries

**Tuesday, February 5, 2008**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:00 AM  
followed by Adoration all day.  
Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer.  
Homily: The Sorrowful Mysteries

**Ash Wednesday, February 6, 2008**

Mass at 7:00AM  
Fish Fry from 4:30 to 7:00 PM  
Mass at 5:00 PM  
Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer.  
Homily: The Sorrowful Mysteries

**Thursday, February 7, 2008**

Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer  
Homily: The Glorious Mysteries

**Friday, February 8, 2008**

Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass with Novena Prayer  
Homily: The Glorious Mysteries

**Saturday, February 9, 2008**

Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass and Novena Prayer  
Homily: The Luminous Mysteries

**Sunday, February 1, 2008**

Mass at 8:00 AM  
Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM  
Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by  
Mass and Novena Prayer  
Homily: The Luminous Mysteries

**Monday, February 11, 2008 - The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**

Confessions from 6:00 to 7:00 PM

Rosary at 7:00 PM followed by Mass and Novena Prayer

Principal Celebrant and Homilist: Most Rev. A. Edward Pevec, Retired Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland

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