Last Saturday night it was plenty cold and stormy, if you remember. Even the sub-zero weather did not, however, keep four Brownsonites from “bundling up and saying together the five decades of the rosary, at the Grotto! There’s faith in the intercessory power of Our Lady of Lourdes!

On the eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, let us recall—

That between February 11 and July 16, 1858, the Blessed Virgin appeared fourteen times to the little fourteen-year-old shepherdess, (now Saint) Bernadette Soubirous, in the cave of the rocks of Massabielle, near Lourdes in southern France;

That the Blessed Virgin wore a white robe and veil and a blue girdle, and on her feet there lay a golden rose to symbolize love;

That she said on one of her visits, “I am the Immaculate Conception”—thereby vindicating the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, wherein she is declared completely triumphant over sin and the powers of Hell;

That, on another visit, she pleaded, “Penance! Penance! Penance!”—thereby giving the key to all who are enthralled by sin—reconciliation to Mary, and the practice of penance; those bring victory over sin;

That, for the confirmation of Christians, and to the confusion of skeptics, Mary has worked, and continues to work, sensational miracles at Lourdes.

Notre Dame men should recall on the eve of the Feast:

That the Grotto here at Notre Dame is, next to our sanctuaries, the most hallowed spot on the campus—just as Our Lady herself, next to Christ, is the object of our most ardent affection;

That, according to testimony of students, Our Lady has conferred, and keeps conferring, many unusual favors and consolations at her Grotto here on the campus.

Go to Mass and to Holy Communion tomorrow, and make a visit to the Grotto, in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes!

Our Sick.

After rallying from his operation, Pete Korn yesterday suffered considerable pain. Give him a special remembrance in your prayers tomorrow.

From Rochester, Minn., Bill Smith, football captain, thanks you: “I am sure that it was the prayers at Notre Dame that pulled me through the serious operation...sister Mary William has been more than a friend to me. I haven’t words to express the wonderful way the good Sister stood watch....I think I’ll be back at school in another week. Please thank everyone for remembering me.”

And don’t forget K. C. Lattimer whose convalescence is slow but satisfactory. He, too, has many times expressed his appreciation for the way you have stayed with him in his long illness.

PRAYERS: (discussed) aunt of John Moran (n.ash); father of friend of Jim Bernard (Dill. sister of Mr. Frank Lloyd; Fr. Anthony O’Sullivan, San Juan Capistrano Mission, Cal.; Very Rev. Octavio Trinchieri, i.e., San Francisco, Cal. Ill, R. J. Nabor ’33.