Throats will be blessed by University of Notre Dame Religious Bulletin, January 31, 1945, Candlemas Day Mass with liturgical ceremonies, Friday, Feb. 2, 8:15, Church.

The Second Miracle at Lourdes.

Justin Bouhohorts lay dying of consumption at the home of his parents in Lourdes. The two-year old child had been subject to a fever from his birth and had never been able to walk. Father and mother were at the deathbed, and a neighbor was encouraging the unhappy parents.

The youngster's limbs became still and motionless; breathing was no longer perceptible. And then a great hope seized the mother. "He is not dead," she cried, "and the Holy Virgin at the Grotto will cure him for me." With this expression of confidence, she picked up the child, wrapped him in her apron and hurried to the Grotto, crying as she ran, "I am going to the Virgin."

What the mother did at the Grotto would have killed the child, if it had been alive up to that time. She took the naked body and plunged it entirely in the water that had miraculously sprung up a few days before. For a quarter of an hour, she held the boy's body in the icy water. Pilgrims at the Grotto could not stop her. When she drew out the body, it was still motionless. Prayer to the Blessed Virgin was on her lips as she brought her child home. A moment after she had put him in his cradle, she bent over him: "He breathes," she cried.

The breathing continued during the night. The next day Justin awoke. His eyes were filled with life as he smiled on his mother. On the second day after the visit to the Grotto, the mother almost fainted when she saw the lad, until then a paralytic, get up alone and run about the house. That evening the mother and son greeted the father when he returned from his days work: "You see," exclaimed the mother, "he was not dead; the Blessed Virgin saved him."

Our Blessed Lady still answers prayer, especially persevering prayer. So, beginning Friday, enter upon a nine day period of special prayer in honor of Our Lady of Lourdes, whose feast day falls on February 11. It is suggested that you remember the sick and war casualties among your friends during this Novena. There is no limit to the number of intentions you may have for the Novena. Our Blessed Mother is patroness of men in the armed forces. It would be wise for the civilian students who are to enter the service within the next few weeks to make the Novena asking the Queen of Heaven to bless their future. (Special Novena prayers, in leaflet form, at pamphlet racks.)

War Casualties.

(Killed in Action) James E. Sheets, ex. '45, Ashland, Ohio, in Germany.

Good News.

Lieut. John H. Tallett, '43, Chicago, Ill., previously reported missing over Yugoslavia, has cabled his folks that he is safe in Italy. Lieut. Danny O'Connell, ex. '46, Baltimore, Maryland, is very much alive. He was home recently. When the allies took Belgium in September, Danny and his crew were able to come out of hiding after four months of dodging the enemy.

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of Dick Whiting, ex. '45; son of Thomas Raymond and June Stone-King. (Ill) Lieut. Amos Pence, (N.D. Midshipmen's School) serious; Phil Scott, son of Harry Scott, '17, missing over Germany.

FRIDAY IS FIRST FRIDAY.