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KATERI — AN EASTER LILY

THE DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA PLEDGE...

EACH NEW MOON

ECHOES OF HUMANAË VIATE

GOLDEN LAURELS
TO TWO JUBILARIANS

A NEW BIOGRAPHY OF KATERI

CORRESPONDENCE

LILY OF
THE MOHAWKS

Spring • 1972
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The third list of two hundred names of your faithful departed begins with this issue and it is named after Etienne Tegananokoa, the first martyr from Caughnawaga. His martyrdom had been foretold eleven years before by the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha.

Tegananokoa was about thirty-five years old when, in 1677, he came to live at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier, the very year Kateri arrived. He was a Huron who had been adopted by the Mohawks. Tegananokoa had married a Mohawk girl, and with his wife, his six children, and his daughter-in-law (some say his sister-in-law), had come to find peace at the praying village. They received baptism and he took the name of Etienne (Stephen), while his wife took that of Suzanne.

During August 1690, they both went hunting, and were captured by fourteen non-Christian Cayugas, who took them to Onondaga, capital of the Iroquois confederacy. There he was burnt at the stake after prolonged torture: "Don't spare me," he cried out, "my sins deserve more than anything you can inflict on me. The more your torture me, the more the reward prepared for me in heaven will be great!"

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1. Our quarterly bulletin, *Kateri*, published by the Kateri Center, intends to help you obtain favors both temporal and spiritual through the intercession of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha. It is hoped her Beatification will thereby be hastened.
2. It aims to increase the number of Kateri's friends and to procure from them at least one daily Hail Mary for her Beatification.
3. It seeks also your donations, for without them practically nothing can be done to make Kateri known and to have the important favors attributed to her intercession examined and approved.

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Each issue of "Kateri" contains :

1. One or several pages on Kateri's life and virtues;
2. News from Kateri's friends everywhere;
3. The account of favors due to her intercession;
4. News concerning the Indians of America, with special reference to the Caughnawagas and their friends.

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3. As benefactors of the Society of Jesus, 190,000 masses are offered annually;
4. The spiritual treasure of the good works of the Society of Jesus is opened;
5. Extra graces are merited by working for Kateri's Beatification.

MARCH, 1972

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FROM ROME, the Reverend Father
Paul Molinari, S.J.,
Postulator General for the cause of the
Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, writes:

"The idea of launching a Prayer Campaign to hasten Kateri's beatification seems to me truly excellent, and I hope with all my heart that these prayers will obtain for us the miracles that are needed for Kateri's beatification...
...Naturally I shall take part in your Prayer Campaign..."

**How many written promises
of one daily Our Father
and or/one daily Hail Mary
to hasten Kateri's Beatification
has the Kateri Center received?
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We have a long way to go...**

Fill out the following form
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MY PLEDGE TO KATERI

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I, the undersigned, pledge to offer up each day one Our Father and/or one Hail Mary until the second duly verified miracle needed for Kateri's beatification is obtained.

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KATERI TEKAKWITHA TRULY AN EASTER LILY

The ceremonies of Palm Sunday and Holy Week (1678) were a great revelation to Kateri, and the contemplation of the Passion and Death of our Lord so impressed her that she was moved to tears. She was filled with the spirit of penitence and sought every occasion to mortify herself and to expiate the faults she considered she had committed against the Divine Lord. But on Easter Day her sorrow changed to joy, for on the Feast of the Resurrection Kateri was for the second time permitted to receive her Risen Lord in Holy Communion.

Alice Howarth
A Mohawk Maid
Catholic Truth Society
London, n.d.

FOR EASTER 1972, THE BEST OF THE BEST
TO ALL KATERI'S FRIENDS WHO HAVE HELPED
HER CAUSE IN ANY WAY !...



STILL MORE PLEDGES

The Daughters of Isabella

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, PROMISE TO OFFER DAILY ONE OUR FATHER AND/OR ONE HAIL MARY UNTIL THE SECOND DULY VERIFIED MIRACLE NEEDED FOR KATERI'S BEATIFICATION IS OBTAINED:

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Rev. Gilles Dube, Mrs. Lucienne Mercier, and Miss Rita Perreault.

(To be continued.)

EACH NEW MOON



FROM MISS J. B. of Quebec City come the following comments on the "Each New Moon" column in the last issue of *KATERI*:

I always read *Kateri* with interest and profit. The winter 1971 issue with its cascades, cataracts, and waterfalls was particularly appealing. I am enclosing 500 cents in paper ... which I would like to multiply by one thousand. I do not desire wealth but simply a certain affluence which would allow me to donate more generously to all the worthy causes that knock at my door.

What a vigorous restatement on the ticklish issue of abortion! A timely restatement, also, concerning the UNICEF cards. I did not buy any this year, but they were advertised everywhere, on TV, in supermarkets, even at the hairdresser's parlor. These people know how to operate. I am having the ladies at the pension read your article. We have sent petitions to the Honorable John Munro, Minister for National Health and Welfare, and to our federal parliamentary representative,

Mr. J. C. Cantin, the Minister of Justice's official secretary, to back up the complaints of the Catholic Women's League, and of many others. Mr. Cantin answered each letter with a circular, without pinning himself down to practically anything. I don't believe that Mr. Munro answered.

What fine doings on the part of Mr. Borowski, of the Daughters of Isabelle, and of others! Are we already sunk beneath the waves? ... Let's keep on fighting as members of the Church Militant! And let's not forget the power of prayer! ...

Kudos to all the friends of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, who signed their Prayer Pledge of one Our Father and/or one Hail Mary each day to speed up her beatification. Kudos to those who have gone out of their way to solicit the signatures of their relatives and acquaintances, particularly to Sr. Simone Rivest, C.N.D., of Boucherville, P.Q., who obtained 1298 signatures by knocking at doors! In North America there are more than 60,000,000 Catholics, not to speak of our Protestant and Jewish friends, who devoutly lift their hearts in prayer. Help up, for the love of Kateri, to obtain 1,000,000 signed daily Prayer Pledges. Without your help it can't be done, for we have a long way to go. ...

A few years ago, Montreal's novelist Leonard Cohen unceremoniously dunked the Venerable Kateri

Tekakwitha into a cesspool of his own creation. Now in a new motion picture, an unknown French Canadian had aped him. In its two hours of showing, not a single pleasant character crosses the screen. Jean-Paul Lefebvre delights in showing a nude Tekakwitha dancing lewdly in a down town tavern. (This is the kind of picture, the Quebec censors rate "For all the Family.") Saintly Jeanne Mance, first lay nurse of North America, whose cause of beatification is pending in Rome, is depicted as the perfect antithesis of what she was — a dedicated, efficient, and successful leader. The priest, of course, had to be a homosexual, — Abbé Frelaté — and, also, quite as much the vacuous fool as could be expected. Finally, Jean Talon, the seventeenth century intendant of New France, wearing a vast periwig, appears on TV to parrot out of context, the prime minister and premiers of today.

Lefebvre calls his movie or cinema *Les Maudits Sauvages: The Damned Savages*. The moral of his tale is that the whites are quite as much "damned savages", and even more so than the Amerinds. Were there any hesitation about the matter, after two hours of such tripe, who would dare deny it? Fortunately Lefebvre's cheap, amateurish bungling takes most of the sting out of the movie regarding the historical personages concerned.

I was particularly riled, I must admit, by the praise heaped upon it by one of *Relations'* critics. (Some people seem to think that the monthly review *Relations* is to French Canadians what the weekly

review *America* is to Americans.) We are calmly informed in the December issue of *Relations*, that *Les Maudits Sauvages* will help the immature find their way to maturity. An expression dear to the Prime Minister will serve as my comment: Fuddleduddle!

In the fourth and fifth issues of last year's *Kalumet*, a German bimonthly dedicated to the study of the Amerinds, Sr. Perboyre, SSpS., wrote Kateri up for its readers. After succinctly telling the story of the Lily of the Mohawks, she summarizes the history of her Cause in Rome. Sister Perboyre recalls the erection of the cenotaph to Kateri's memory in 1890 by Msgr. C.A. Walworth and by his niece, Ellen, the author of *The Lily of the Mohawks* (1891; 2nd ed. 1926), at what is today Côte Sainte-Catherine of Laprairie, P.Q.; she then concludes with the story of the dedication of a bronze monument of Kateri Tekakwitha at Caughnawaga, P.Q. in the summer of 1954. I thank Kateri's good friend, Mrs. Muller-Fricken of Franckfort on the Main for having forwarded these two issues of *Kalumet* to the Center, and, doubtless, for having encouraged Sister Perboyre to write this article.

The October 1971 issue of *Sainte Anne de Beupré* carried an illustrated article on Kateri Tekakwitha. I am particularly grateful for this publicity as the author wrote: "When the occasion presents itself, let us consider it a duty to visit the fascinating locality of Caughnawaga



PHOTO SAINTE ANNE DE BEAUPRE

At St. Ann's, Kateri gazes heavenward...

where, among others places, Kateri's memory is faithfully honored." I now take the opportunity to express my gratitude to the Redemptorist Fathers for the interest that they have always shown to the Indian Maiden. From the steeple of their parish church of St. Alphonse d'Youville, in Montreal, a statue of Kateri looks down on the elevated Metropolitan Blvd., thronged with drivers day and night; from the vaulted roof of the sanctuary of the Basilica of St. Anne de Beaupré, among countless saints, Kateri gazes heavenward. Here on earth, as a member of the Holy Family Confraternity, she entertained deep devotion to St. Ann and to St. Joachim. Kateri's friends, on their next annual visit to the great shrine, will wish to make their daily offering of an Our Father or Hail Mary to hasten her Beatification.

At the suggestion of one of our subscribers, Sister M. Winifred, Father V. J. Schaefer devoted two long columns to the Lily of the Mohawks in his weekly article,

"Church, Town and Country" appearing on January 7, 1972, in *The Courier*, official publication of the diocese of Winona, Minnesota. A NC photo of my good friend, Mrs. Esther Kane-Phillips of Caughnawaga, adorned one of its pages. The author told Kateri's story well. I quote his introduction:

"A wave of guilt is manifesting itself among Americans — guilt because of what we have done to the Indians, that great but sorely tried human family which we brutally dispossessed and then thoroughly demoralized over the last few centuries. But God never forgot them, and already three hundred years ago, raised a humble maiden among them to the heights of sanctity..."

I have the strong impression that these friends of Kateri have, by their ACTION, made her better known and loved, and have thereby escalated the cause for her Beatification. Don't you agree with me?

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. L. !**

I lost a parcel in a store, and afterwards it was returned to me: a very rare thing these days. Here is a little gift for Kateri. (Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. G. !**

I come to thank you for your kind prayers. I also thank Kateri for the favor I obtained for my son (the settling of the estate). As a token of gratitude, please find five dollars; that is not a big sum, but it is given with all my heart. Among my eight married children, there is always one in need of spiritual or temporal aid. Kateri does not fail me. Thanks again. The next favor I will let you know... (St. Thérèse-en-Haut, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G.T. !**

Enclosed you will find a ten dollar check for a favor received through Kateri for my eyes. They have been bothering me a great deal. I thought I might have to undergo an operation and went to the eye specialist to-day. I asked Kateri to intercede for me, and the doctor said the pressure in my eyes was very good and that there was no need of an operation. Thanks to our heavenly Father and to Kateri for her intercession! ...

(Leaside, Ont.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G. C. !**

Thank you — my daughter found the rings. Enclosed is a small contribution. Please pray for me that my doctor may find me improved after having had a heart attack. I will send small contributions from time to time. Kateri has been good to me.

I first heard of Kateri in 1937 and named my baby after her, so you see, we like her in this family. (Bath, Me.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. !**

We are in negociation concerning the buying of a farm in the beautiful parish of ... We intend to put our farm under Kateri's protection and by so doing, to make her name even better known in that part of the province. ... On October 7 last, I sent you an offering, and on the next day precisely, it was a miracle if my husband did not have his second and third fingers of the left hand cut off. He works in the textile industry, and in his shop there is an enormous baling press that makes cotton bales of some 700 pounds.

Without thinking, as he saw a piece of paper near the plunger, he inserted his fingers to take it out. At the same moment, the plunger came down (2000 pounds of horse-power) and jammed his fingers. If the operator had made it spin, as he usually does, the fingers would have been cut off clean. My husband kept saying to the operator: "Pull up the plunger, don't spin the press!" After two long minutes, he withdrew his fingers, but they were no bigger than cigarettes and perfectly square. ... In the hospital, X rays showed that nothing was broken or torn: it is almost unbelievable. Kateri, with or without a check, had it her way. ... I thought you would be glad to know that Kateri takes good care of those who trust in her prayers. (Montreal, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. V. St. M. !**

I am sending you two dollars; it is not much, but I am alone, for my husband died three years ago. I had asked Kateri to recover my son's car: he needs it for his job in New York, and it had been stolen. It was found in perfect shape. My son, joyfully, phoned me: "Mother, my car is in good condition! ..." I am keeping my promise, and will send other offerings. I recommend myself to your prayers. I say the Our Father and Haily Mary every day. ...

(Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M. B. !**

For a few weeks I was very nervous and even went to a psychiatrist for two visits. Three weeks ago, thanks to dear Kateri, I gave up the pills and now I am able to cook for myself and get to a nursing home to see my husband, who has been disabled for fifteen months due to a stroke. I am very grateful, and hope this letter gives hope to anyone suffering from nervous disorders. Enclosed is five dollars in gratitude. Please pray for my husband.

(White Plains, N. Y.)

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*"Rome has spoken". Now let us hear
The worldly wise who laugh and sneer
In cynicism crude, uncouth—
Like Pilate asking "What is truth?"
For steeped in proud subjectivism,
Their guide the rule of pragmatism,
These syncophants, this elite set
Oft sound their bromide epithet
"Medieval". Yet how absurd
The necromancy of this word.
While louder shouts the rebel band
To hide the weakness of their stand.
Affecting liberals to despise
Staid sages stoop to compromise;
And so-called Christian sanhedrin
Says "Nihil Obstat" to foul sin.
The New York Times approves. What more?
And wide will spread this festering sore
Through licensed bonds companionate
And plighted troth to decimate.
In contraceptive science taught
Lust counts her former fear as naught.
In checking life against God's will
The atom bomb yields to the pill.
And cringing conscience sets a norm
The law of nature to deform.
"Rome has spoken." In alliance
World, Satan, Flesh shriek their defiance
And all unite to nullify
God's plan "Increase and multiply."*

Richard M. McKeon, S.J.
Le Moyne College
Syracuse, N.Y.

Kateri Tekakwitha

A twentieth century write-up on the Lily of the Hohawks

ON WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK, April 17, 1680, at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier in the Fields, died a young Amerind aged less than twenty-four years. To one of her companions, she said before her death: "I shall love you in Heaven, I shall help you." Shall not the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, whose cause of Beatification is well advanced — only one first-class miracle is still needed — turn to us with these same words, if we do our utmost to further her Beatification and later on her Canonization?

A Wall of Silence

But, in 1972, are the Blessed and the Saints whom the Church has elevated to the glory of the altars of interest to many Catholics? On the pretence of honoring Christ, do they not cut themselves off with a wall of silence from these men and women who, during their lifetime, succeeded in transforming themselves into Him?

Cardinal Suenens, whom nobody will consider as an ultra-conservative, declared some two or three years ago:

"The Saints overflow into all time because they live of God and in God; as much as the divine action itself, they escape our narrow limits. Their history continues in the history of the Church itself as the Gulfstream penetrates into the sea. They are present among us, whether we know it or not."

To this effect, the last Council of Vatican II, inspired like all the Ecumenical Councils by the Holy Spirit, has clearly affirmed the necessity of deep-hearted devotion for the heroes of the Faith. It has even maintained the decrees of the Council of Constantinople IV (869-870), pronouncing anathema against anyone who does not acknowledge the cult of saints: "The Holy Council definitely teaches this Catholic doctrine and, at the same time, urges all the sons of the Church to generously promote... and to exactly maintain what, in the past, has been decided relatively to the cult of the saints, the images of Christ, and of the Blessed Virgin and of the Saints."

In this connection, Cardinal Cushing wrote: "It would be good if more people read the decrees of the Council, and studied them, rather than allow themselves to be led astray by those who assume the right to interpret these decrees independently of the teaching authority of the Church."

Conscious of the importance of the "Decree on the Church" touching the cult of the Blessed and of the Saints, Paul VI established on April 28, 1969, a new Congregation, that of the Causes of the Saints, and gave it a Cardinal-Prefect, an Undersecretary, and a group of researchers and experts. One can see in this innovation, an invitation not to allow oneself to be deceived by the lure of an anaemic Christianity, a Christianity that refuses to recognize the Mystical Body of Christ. For us, here in Canada and the United States, I see more specifically an invitation to renew contact with those who sanctified our history and especially with the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, whose cause is pending in Rome. Within this sphere, we shall have to follow the example of our fathers in the Faith, a responsibility which obviously will demand more backbone than ever before.

Formerly

Shortly after the death of Kateri Tekakwitha in the seventeenth century, Intendant de Champigny and his wife had pictures of the Servant of God struck off and distributed so as to make her known at the French Court and among the Canadian settlers. On September 26, 1715, Father Pierre Cholenec, S.J., wrote a long Latin letter to the Very Reverend Father Michael-Angelo Tamburini, General of the Society of Jesus. In this document, he methodically set forth the virtues of the Lily of the Mohawks as if he had been the Postulator of her Cause of Canonization. In 1744, Father François-Xavier de Charlevoix, S.J., in his monumental **History and Description of New France**, notified his readers that this young Iroquois woman was then "universally considered as the protectress of Canada," and as "the new star of the New World." The conquest of New France by England slowed down the movement in favor of the Iroquois maiden's canonization.

In the last century, the Second and Third Councils of Baltimore, U.S.A., solicited along with the canonization of the Jesuit Martyrs that of Kateri Tekakwitha. On June 19 and 30, 1885, Their Lordships Bishops Antoine and Dominique Racine, both born at Lorette, P.Q., begged, Leo XIII to glorify the Martyrs and Kateri Tekakwitha. That same year, from the Holy Father twenty-eight Amerindian tribes requested the same favor for this child of the great forest.



N. Esther Higgins pinxit.

THE LILY OF THE MOHAWKS

Not so long ago

It belonged to our twentieth century to continue the campaign in favor of Kateri Tekakwitha's canonization, and it did so with vigor and spirit. Between 1932-1935, the Cardinals, Archbishops and Bishops of Canada and of the United States petitioned the Holy See for the beatification and the canonization of the young Mohawk. On April 10, 1934, in the name of the Province of Quebec, the Honorable Alexander Taschereau wrote to Pius XI: "May I be allowed in my quality of Premier to join my humble and earnest request to those which Your Holiness receives in favor of the beatification of the Iroquois maiden, Catherine Tekakwitha. . . Heirs of those who brought to Canada the benefits of Christianity and of civilization, we would be happy to see the Church elevate to the glory of the altars this humble and pure representative of the proud Indian tribes that first inhabited our country. . ."

In 1939, the diocese of Saint-Jean-de-Quebec, it is worthy to note, supplied 28,649 signatures from the faithful who implored His Holiness "to grant us the glorification of the pious Servant of the Lord, Kateri Tekakwitha."

Once again the Amerinds, much more numerous than in 1885, insisted that their compatriot be beatified: among them were the Coeurs d'Alène, the Navajos, Yumas, Dakotas, Mohawks, Malicites, Micmacs, Algonkins, and many others.

In 1941, all these efforts culminated in the official proclamation of the heroicity of the virtues of Kateri Tekakwitha, thus earning her the title of Venerable.

After this important step ahead, followed a period of quiet. Vatican II lightened up the whole sky, and its backlash unfortunately weakened the faith of many. Father Gervais Dumeige, S.J., the well-known medievalist, was able to verify that, whenever in the history of the Church, there was a lessening of faith, similarly the wide-spread cult of saints has been weakened and even at times has completely disappeared.

On the other hand, the last Council offers many reasons to hope that shortly the cult of the Blessed and of the Saints, and particularly of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, will flourish. Indeed the conciliar decrees paid attention to the laity, to the peoples of color, to the Third World and to the illiterate. Kateri Tekakwitha represents all these people, as Bishop Gérard-Marie Coderre (in whose diocese Kateri's remains now rest), wrote in the preface of an Italian biography of the Venerable: "This little Indian will soon reveal herself, we believe, as the saint millions of members of the laity prefer.

She will be particularly beloved by the colored nations of Asia, Africa, and Oceania. Holiness is not a prerogative of the educated: this lesson is greatly needed at a time when three-quarters of humanity suffers from illiteracy."

Nowadays

These forecasts are already becoming a fact. Whereas our "intellectuals", lay, clerical, and religious, pull a long face at the sight of a biography of Kateri whether it be well written or not, a book on Kateri was recently and successfully published in Bengali; **Das Mädchen der Mohawks**, which came off the press two years ago in Austria, has received much acclaim; **Miracle of the Mohawks** by a Protestant writer attracted attention in the United States, and, quite recently, in Samoa, a well documented article made her known in the volcanic islands of the Oceanian archipelago. Finally the **Kateri** quarterly, appearing in French and English, has approximately 10,000 subscribers, and draws about one hundred letters a week to the Vice-Postulator's office at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier in Caughnawaga, P.Q.

Tomorrow

My present responsibility consists in trying to find 100,000 or more friends of Kateri, who will pledge themselves in writing to offer daily an Our Father or a Hail Mary in order to escalate her Beatification. "I believe," wrote St. Dominic of the Mother of God, "that one must accept as a maxim that, if God inspires many to incessantly ask for one and a single favor, it is evident proof that He wishes to grant it." As tenacious as the thousands of Kateri's clients, who for nearly three centuries, have been working for her Beatification, would the readers of this article not send in their written promise of a daily prayer to obtain the Beatification of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha? Miracles cannot be bought; they are obtained through dialogue with God and by penance. It's a very old recipe. There is no other. . .

Last month an elderly Huron wrote me a letter which singularly touched me. She complained that the whites had so neglected the Indians that they were doing very little about beatifying Kateri. In the three Americas live some 30,000,000 Amerinds. This race has not, to my knowledge, a single pure-blood canonized saint, although many candidates are worthy of the altars. If you help to have Kateri beatified, surely Kateri will love you, she will pray for you, and help you in return.

H. B.

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M. P. !**

Here is a thirty-two dollar check: twelve for a one year's promise (one dollar a month, like last year), ten for being home from the hospital, and as a gift to Kateri... (Plessisville, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss M. M. !**

For a whole year we have been discussing the purchase of a house provided with a small yard next to ours in La Sala. Actually our house does not have the least bit of land in which to grow flowers. When we were taking steps to buy this property, my father paid a 10,000 peseta check, for which he received no receipt. On the other hand, the real estate firm that was to sell us the property, was dissolved during the past year; one of the associates, who was to sign the contract, because the house had already been bought under his name, disappeared. We suspect he took the firm's funds with him... In short, an odd story. Eventually, I decided that, if Kateri would settle this problem, I would send you 2,000 pesetas. Four or five days later, we had some good news... and I sent you 1,000 pesetas. The purchasing contract is to be signed soon, and I shall then send you the remaining 1,000 pesetas... (Barcelona, Spain)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. H. B. !**

I'm sending you a check for five dollars. It's a promise that I made if my granddaughter was exempt from an operation, and so she was, thanks to Kateri. (Biddeford, Me.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss T. C. !**

I am enclosing twenty dollars for Kateri's beatification. She has obtained for me a wonderful favor: my brother, a priest, was seriously ill; he was anointed one month ago. Now, he is recovering very well, thanks to Kateri. I prayed to her, and she answered my prayers. I have great confidence in her and I hope she will be soon beatified. (Cabano, Témiscouata, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. R. G. !**

For Kateri's cause here is a fifty dollar offering in acknowledgment of a rapid cure of a serious illness. I promised publication of this favor. (Boucherville, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. W. L. !**

I am writing you in behalf of my daughter who had promised five dollars to Kateri, in order to find a house. The one they have is adequate for now. She likes it. I hope she will be as happy as I in her life as a woman. She has a good husband, thrifty and wise. Later on, they will get a larger home; but now it is too costly, and the taxes are too high. May Kateri bless their future, protect them and lead them in the path God has laid out for them. They have many plans and both want to succeed. May they be a happy couple, living in peace and understanding to the end of their lives! (Biddeford, Me.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss M. de B. !**

Please find enclosed a five dollar check for a favor I obtained. I had some eczema on my back; with my sick arm, which I dislocated last fall, it was almost impossible to put some ointment on it. I promised an offering for Kateri's beatification: two days after, there was already some improvement.

I rely on your prayers, for I may have to leave my house during December; I would much rather do so this spring. I have been living here since 1913, and my father and mother died here. I shall quit this place with regret... (Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. T. B. !**

I am sending you this offering to Kateri who certainly helped cure my infected eye. Will you please keep on praying so that everything gets back in order, for I am also suffering from arthritis in my neck. Many thanks to Kateri! (Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. W. D. !**

I am glad to tell you that I have been cured by Kateri. Last January, I stumbled and fell. On January 21, I had a stroke which kept me in the hospital for thirteen days during two or three of which I was almost unconscious. I was soon normal again, but afterwards, my blood pressure was either too low or too high. Now, everything seems to have settled down. So I am sending five dollars as promised for my recovery, declaring myself Kateri's humble and devout servant. (Rouyn, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. M. !**

I read in one of your **Kateri's** that some person out of work had promised five dollars to the Lily of the Mohawks. So I resolved to do likewise. I had two boys looking for a job. One of them went to Montreal, where he found something, not without difficulty. The other one worked for two months during fall, and then the job was over. I promised that if he was called back... I would give five dollars to Kateri. And so, he was called back a week ago. I am keeping my promise, and I hope you will never stop praying with me, so that they may both be in good health and have the courage to keep their jobs.

(Grosses Roches, Matane, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. W. K. !**

Inclosed please find an offering of ten dollars in thanks-giving to Kateri for her wonderful intercession on behalf of my nephew. He graduated from La Salle College, and he was near the end of his wits to get a job. I wrote and asked Kateri to help him and she did not fail him: he secured a job. He is his mother's main support; his father died when he was only a boy. It is a good job with a good insurance company here. I will always remember Kateri... I want to say here, if I had my way, Kateri would be a Saint this very day...

(Atlantic City, N. J.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. P. B. !**

Please accept my humble offering as a contribution to the beatification of Kateri, in whom I have great confidence, for she is a precious help to me. All this is not strictly miraculous but she does help me very much. I suffer from gastro-enteritis, which is causing me much pain and annoyance; but thanks to Kateri I often feel relieved, and I still can do many things which I could not if she were not helping me. So, many thanks to Kateri whom God permits to assist us in this unfortunate world, so delightful at times but so miserable at other times. Father, please pray for me, I will pray for you. Thanks.

(Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J. P. D. !**

Please find herein the sum of five dollars as an acknowledgment for a favor obtained through our dear Kateri, for the recovering of Father X's health.

(Grand-Mère, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

Golden Laurels to Two Jubilarians



Mrs. Annie Lahache at Auriesville

FIFTY YEARS OF SO AGO, two new members of the Iroquois Mixed Choir at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier climbed up to the organ loft for the first time. Today, a half a century later, with extraordinarily well preserved voices, they still sing at Mass and at other liturgical ceremonies in their beautiful Iroquois language. To both Mrs. Annie Lahache and to Mrs. Agathe Foote the sincere congratulations and the

gratitude of the priests and the faithful of Caughnawaga, as well as that of the many pilgrims and visitors to Kateri's mission: better still, golden laurels to the two-Jubilarians!

Mrs. Annie Lahache

Mrs. Annie Lahache, daughter of Mitchell Onatsókon (Empty-Pail) Phillips and of Caecilia Standup, was born on April 4, 1904, in the Mission of St. Francis Xavier. Her family comprised eight children — six boys and two girls. Mrs. Lahache, the seventh child, is the sole survivor.

On September 6, 1930, she married Mr. Tom Lahache at St. James' pro-cathedral in Brooklyn, N.Y. She was already a member of the Caughnawaga choir. Practically all her family had been choir members — her mother, her brothers, and long before, her grandfather. Her voice was exceptional and singing seemed to come naturally with her.

Her aunt, Mrs. Louise Jacobs, was the blind organist at the mission for many years. In Mrs. Jacobs' household, there was a piano, and she taught little Annie how to sing in Iroquois the beautiful Easter hymn, **O filii, o filiae**. On Easter Sunday 1921, Mrs. Jacobs played the organ for the last time. Little Annie Standup was besides her, and unexpectedly she was told to sing. It was her first public solo.

After her marriage, she did not discontinue singing although her first child, Paul, born in August 1931, Michael Russell the next year, and her only daughter, Marie Sosé, in

1936, obviously took up much of her time. During these busy years and the ones that followed, she sang regularly on Sundays, holidays, and at the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, which most directors of pilgrimages to Kateri generally requested. The only times she was absent was during her honeymoon, during several illnesses, and when she was in the hospital for a very serious operation, the amputation of a leg. And already in 1944, after she had broken it, her husband carried her up to the organ loft so that she could sing for a Holy Hour ceremony.

Looking back over the last fifty years, Mrs. Lahache likes to recall the different choirmasters who took the podium: Fr. Conrad Hauser, the redoubtable Dr. Alfred Bernier, Mus. Dr., Fr. Réal Lalonde, Fr. Jacques Bruyère, Fr. Martial Caron, Fr. Henri Lalonde, and a Mr. Brunelle.

Following the first invitation that the Caughnawaga Iroquois received to sing at the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs in Auriesville, N.Y., the birthplace of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha, Mrs. Lahache went along with the choir, as well as on most of the subsequent trips to the same Sanctuary. She also sang at the sister mission of St. Regis, at St. Joseph's Oratory, Montreal, at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Cape, at St. Ann's Basilica, at Brébeuf College, at the Gesù in Montreal, and on quite a few TV and radio programs in many cities. A special occasion was the trip to Piqua, Ohio, to sing at St. Mary's Parish. Father Harold Sommer, S.J., a devoted friend of Caughnawaga, organized the trip with the approval of the Pastor and the financial assistance of the local Council of the Knights of Columbus. The flight to Ohio, and the very cordial reception of the parishioners have not been forgotten by Mrs. Lahache and the other members of the group.

Several years ago, with Mrs. Esther Kane Phillips, Mr. Earl Saylor, and Mr. Melvin Diabo, Mrs. Lahache was invited to accompany the **Jeunesses Musicales du Québec** to Israel. As the B'nai B'rith Association of Montreal sponsored the trip, the invitation was gratefully accepted. In the grotto-chapel of Bethlehem, Mrs. Lahache poured out her heart to Our Lady and to her Son by singing in Iroquois the beautiful **Ave Verum**.

"I never sang for people but for God," said our Jubilarian. By these words she meant that she did not sing for public applause, but to honor her Maker, the Source of all beauty. May she honor Him thus for years to come!

Mrs. Agathe Taylor-Foote

Mrs. Agathe Taylor-Foote, daughter of Beatrice Charley



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Iroquois Choir at the Martyrs' Shrine, Midland, Ont., on July 8, 1949. Mrs. Agathe Foote is the second from the right.

and of Thomas Rakwennienstha (He-makes-it-sacred-to-him) Lazare, was born at Caughnawaga on October 21, 1907. Of the six children of the family, only two are alive today, the Jubilarian and her brother Charles.

Singing has always been a way of life for Agathe. Very early at school, under the direction of Sister Mary Francis, S.S.A., and of Sister Mary Eileen, S.S.A., she learned to enjoy music. One fine day, a half a century ago, the pastor of the mission, while teaching catechism and English at the Indian school, suggested that some of the youngsters join the choir in order to eventually replace the older members. Young Agathe had a particularly beautiful voice, and soon found her way to the organ loft. She was never to forget it, and was ever faithful to Mass, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and to the many other liturgical ceremonies. She recalls the first time she sang a solo: it was on Christmas Day 1921. Her future husband, Peter Taylor, whom she married in 1928, had at the time five years of experience as a choir member.

As Mrs. Foote looks back of the years, she recalls that she grew up in a musical family. Her mother had been a choir member for many years; so had her granduncle Jacob Dailleboust, who chanted Vespers by heart; she still proudly shows her other granduncle Aeronni Dailleboust's hymnal, a precious souvenir of religious music at the turn of the century. She likes to reminisce about many other devoted parishioners, now at rest, who faithfully "sang to the Lord" over the years — among them, for instance, Mrs. Paul Paul, Mrs. Marion Dailleboust, and Mrs. Mary Walker and her husband.

With the arrival of Father Conrad Hauser, S.J., at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier, a new interest in church music rapidly developed. Mrs. Foote tells me that under his guidance, she really learned to read music. The Caughnawaga Mixed Choir, as it is today, slowly but surely took shape. In the early days of Station CKAC of Montreal, she was invited to sing in Iroquois, Brébeuf's famous Huron noel. Singers of many different nationalities also sang their native songs on the same program, but Mrs. Foote's rendition of the old Christmas Carol was particularly appreciated. It was the first but not the last time that she sang over the radio or for TV.

Mrs. Foote was also present with the choir when it sang for the first time at the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs in Auriesville, N.Y. She subsequently sang again and again at Auriesville, at the Martyrs' Shrine in Midland, Ont., and in countless other churches and theaters to which the Iroquois Mixed Choir was invited.

On October 29, 1956, her husband Peter died, leaving her with three teen-age sons and a daughter. Another daughter, Beatrice, had died at the age of eleven; and a son, Thomas Russell, a structural steel worker, was killed on the job on March 5, 1957. Since her husband was a World War I Veteran, the government magnanimously granted her half of his pension for one year, and then without any apparent reason withdrew it!

A year later, Agathe remarried, this time an old acquaintance, Mr. James Foote. They went to live at Riverrouge, a suburb of Detroit, until his retirement in 1969, after which they definitely returned to Caughnawaga. On her occasional visits to her home town, Mrs. Foote had never missed singing in the choir. For the last three years, she has once again been singing regularly at the mission church on Sundays and holy days. Like Mrs. Lahache's, her voice has retained its exquisite beauty. May it still be lifted up in praise of the Lord for countless Sundays to come!

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. L. !**

I wish to thank Kateri for healing a skin virus that caused itching similar to eczema, an ailment from which I had suffered during part of one summer. For that favor and for all the others I received, I am sending you five dollars for her glorification. I am also asking her to give good health to all my family, and a happy delivery for my daughter-in-law, who, after being married for twenty years, is expecting her first child at the beginning of October (1971). My daughter also handed me five dollars to obtain a solution to her problem from Kateri: her husband left her for other women: may Kateri look after her and help her to stay in the right way, as she did until now, and grant her health and work, as her husband never gave her a penny! Please pray for our intentions, and, in return, we shall pray for you. Good luck in your work, and good health!
(Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. D. W. !**

I am enclosing twenty-five dollars for Kateri's Cause. She has answered my every prayer. Our oldest son dropped out of college before getting his degree. He has happily decided to return in January. Our second oldest son recently scored very highly in pre-law school tests and hopes to make a fine law school. Our third son was accepted at a fine prep school and is doing well academically. Our daughter is doing much better in her studies. We have been blessed with good health. I was recently in an automobile accident, and although I sustained some injuries, it could have been far more serious. So as you can see, Father, Kateri has us in her hands. May you have a blessed Christmas and we will all continue to pray that 1972 will bring Kateri's canonization.

(Lyndhurst, Ohio)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss A. A. W. !**

... The additional five dollars is being sent by my school principal, in thanksgiving. He had minor surgery and he prayed to Kateri that no malignancy be found. His prayers were answered. ... He is a Lutheran, but has great devotion to Kateri. ...
(Gretna, La.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. R. C. !**

Here is a five dollar check for Kateri. When I went into confinement I had promised it to her if everything went well. It did.
(Montreal, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. E. N. !**

I am sending you a ten-dollar check for two favors obtained through Kateri's intercession. Thanks to her, my husband succeeded in finding some work, and a few months ago, he obtained a fairly good salary raise. I had also asked Kateri to make my five children pass their final examinations. Everything went well, thanks to Kateri.

I am also asking her to take my children under her protection during the school year. I shall never give that dear little saint enough thanks for all that she does for me; she helps me at every moment of the day!

I am renewing my subscription to the periodical, and I add what is required for two more subscriptions, which I wish to offer to two persons I like very much. . .

(Belcourt, Abitibi)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G. B. !**

Please find enclosed two dollars as a token of gratitude for Kateri's help on the occasion of my mother's death, last July. She was eighty-eight years old and suddenly had an attack of thrombosis, but did not suffer, as she was unconscious. I had asked for that favor for her.

I read your periodical as soon as I receive it. Thanks a lot, and pray for us.

(Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. G. A. R. !**

In 1943 through the intercession of Kateri I was able to obtain a position which I held for twenty-six years. The novena to Kateri was responsible. . .

(Marietta, Ga.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. T. !**

I was operated in both eyes and I had promised Kateri, if she would preserve my sight, that I would give an offering to help the cause of her beatification. My case was a desperate one. She heard me: even though my sight is not perfect, I can take care of myself, read a little, write, etc. I am therefore fulfilling an obligation by sending you the sum of twenty-five dollars. Many thanks to Kateri who was kind enough to help me in difficult circumstances! I pray to her daily for a spiritual favor; may I, Reverend Father, ask for the help of your prayers and a thought for me at Holy Mass?

(St. Hyacinthe, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

A NEW BIOGRAPHY OF KATERI

FOR SEVERAL YEARS it has been practically impossible to find a readable biography of the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha. Publishers fear to print "lives of saints" perhaps because of a certain reading public that has decided not to have anything to do with saints, not realizing that Vatican II has strongly maintained the sanctoral cult and devotion.

Father Francis Xavier Weiser, S.J., of Boston College, recently wrote a successful German biography of Kateri Tekakwitha, and he offered to rewrite it in English. I gladly accepted his offer. An eminent churchman is expected to preface his book. KATERI TEKAKWITHA, a biography, will be off the press during April.

Father Weiser, born at Vienna, Austria, in 1901, entered the Jesuit Order in his native city, studied philosophy, theology, and psychology at Munich and Innsbruck. He was ordained in 1930, and received his doctorate in Philosophy from the Gregorian University in Rome. In 1931 he came to the United States for a year of special studies. From 1932-1938 he was national moderator of the Austrian sodalities, editor of a youth magazine, and wrote a number of books, mostly novels and biography.

In 1938 he returned to the United States, became an American citizen, and served as curate, then as pastor, at Holy Trinity Church in Boston until 1950. From 1950-1961, he taught at Emmanuel College, gave retreats and lectures, and wrote many articles for Catholic magazines. He also continued writing books in German and English. In 1961 he was called to Boston College where he taught for ten years in the departments of Theology and Philosophy.

He is widely known as lecturer and author. His field of concentration is Cultural History, especially the connection between liturgy and Christian life in the home. So far he has published the following books in the English language: *The Christmas Book* (1952), *The Easter Book* (1954), *The Holyday Book* (1956), *The Handbook of Christian Feasts and Customs* (1958), *The Year of the Lord in the Christian Home* (1958 and 1964), *The Holy Land* (1965).

In recognition of his scholarly and literary achievements he was awarded the citation of honor and the Jubilee Medal of the University of Innsbruck in 1970. His works are recommended reading in the high schools of Austria.

Order your copy of Father Weiser's *Kateri Tekakwitha* from
KATERI, Box 70, Caughnawaga, P.Q., Canada.
(Hardcover: \$3.75; Paperback: \$2.25, all postpaid.)

✧ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G. P. !**

Being back from Europe only yesterday. I hope you will excuse me for not giving you more precise information about Fathers Cholenec and de Lamberville. I looked in vain in the Paris telephone book for Frenchmen with those names.

I wrote to the curator of the National Archives, giving him your clues. I am expecting an answer from him soon. I shall hand it over to you.

On the evening of my departure for Paris, September 15, **La Presse** printed the name of a woman who used to refer her "sisters" to abortion clinics in New York. She believed she was being of help to humanity!

On the flight, my blood boiled, and from Paris, I posted two very sharp letters, one for that "angel maker", the other one to **La Presse**. When I returned home, I noticed that my husband had cut out my letter, which had effectively been published. You said once that one of the effects of Kateri's holiness was devotion to chastity... The morals of our present Quebec youth are actually more pagan than those we deplored in Europe and elsewhere at any time. I fear for my daughter K., who is twelve years old... (Boucherville, P. Q.)

✧ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. M. !**

I hereby come to render homage to Christ and express my gratitude to Kateri for a favor I obtained.

On September 28, 1971, I heard that a friend of mine had just fallen a victim of an ill-intentioned person who made her lose all the money she had. This friend is sixty years old, and very sick; last year she had her gall bladder removed; she is always ill, always under treatment, and her heart is in a very bad condition. I deeply sympathized with her, although I could do nothing by myself to save her from such an awful situation. I resolved to turn to Our Lord and to solicit a miracle from the Venerable Kateri. Meanwhile a well-meaning person took care of this lady and had her money returned to her. My novena began on September 29, 1971, and on October 8, 1971, at the end of the novena, everything was settled for the poor woman.

I attend Mass every morning and I offered one in thanksgiving for this favor... Enclosed is my pledge of one Our Father and one Hail Mary, to hasten Kateri's beatification. (Montreal, P. Q.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

✧ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J. V. !**

I am enclosing two dollars in thanksgiving to my dear Kateri, who once more came to my help. It concerned an apartment which I had just about given hope of ever seeing rented. I began to pray to her, and she heard my prayer. I am happy to offer her this humble donation, which she certainly merited. She is so attentive to my prayers! Thank you Kateri! I do love you! ...

(Beauharnois, Québec.)

✧ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss E. C. !**

A few months ago I wrote you stating that through Kateri's intercession I had obtained a new job, but it would require taking much dictation and I had been away from it for many years. I prayed to her for assistance and as a result obtained another employment with more security and no need of re-learning shorthand. This new work is Civil Service for the State, and I was selected from a list, after an examination taken a year ago. My status is permanent and will become absolute after the completion of six months work.

I am so happy with this result that I am sending you my check for fifty dollars as I promised Kateri. I feel confident of the future, and rather than wait the six months probationary period, I am sending you my check now! I know you need assistance and Kateri and I want to help you now. Also, I think it best to mail this at this time not to be mixed up in holiday mail.

I hope this will help to bring a little more aid to meet your payment of some bill, and brighten your holidays! Please understand that this is a voluntarily contribution in appreciation of Kateri's friendship and constant help to me. I am not buying her favors, but do want to show my appreciation.

As I walk to the bus each day, I say an Our Father and Hail Mary for Kateri, then another one for you as I promised earlier. It falls into an easy and happy pattern! May God bless you and keep you in good health to continue your great work. (Auburn, Mass.)

✧ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A. J. D. !**

I am sending ten dollars to keep my promise to Kateri which I made when my husband was so sick. She made him all better. Thank you, dear Kateri, you are wonderful! (Pittston, Pa.)

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THE ANASTASIA ROLL

Now that the Anastasia Roll has been completed, one hundred Masses are being offered for those whose names are inscribed.

1. Mr. William Addison Miller
2. Mrs. Amanda Elliott Miller
3. Mr. Robert Mellor
4. Mrs. Mary Dabney Mellor
5. Mr. Conrad Bellefleur
6. Mr. Jean Marcotte
7. Mr. William James Bernard
8. Mr. Arthur Laporte
9. Mr. Paul Vigneault
10. Mrs. Rose-Alba Fafard
11. Mr. Roger Fafard
12. Mr. John Corcoran
13. Mrs. Eugene Paradis
14. Mr. Donat Jalbert
15. Mr. H. J. Daman
16. Mrs. H. J. Daman
17. Mr. John Bernard
18. Mrs. John Bernard
19. Mr. John Scouvell
20. Mrs. John Scouvell
21. Mr. Raymond Dupras
22. Rev. Hermas Lavallée
23. Mrs. Luce Norton
24. Mr. William A. Lockman
25. Mrs. Roseanna Brodeur
26. Dr. Stephen A. Mahoney
27. Miss Katherine Fiutko
28. Mr. John Fiutko
29. Mr. Ian James
30. Mrs. Sophia Bizga
31. Mr. W. F. Thurston
32. Mr. E. Nadeau
33. Mr. Napoleon Paul
34. Mrs. Catherine Paul
35. Miss Jane Williamson
36. Mr. Louis Grivetti
37. Mr. Edward J. Connor
38. Dr. Gaudreau
39. Mrs. Joseph Tourigny
40. Mr. Michel DesRochers
41. Mrs. Marguerite Shenandoah
42. Mr. Frederick Shenandoah
43. Mr. Monroe Williams
44. Mr. Peter Jocko
45. Mr. John B. Cuff
46. Rev. William Kuisle
47. Mr. Lynn Crouse
48. Mr. John V. Bush
49. Mr. Joseph Marek
50. Mr. Thomas O'Toole
51. Mr. George Dill
52. Mr. Martin C. Dudden
53. Mr. Joseph Tourigny
54. Mr. John L. McDermott
55. Mrs. Louis Chevalier
56. Miss Mary L. DuBois
57. Mrs. Mary E. Whalen
58. Mr. Jules Bélanger
59. Mr. Martin O'Brien
60. Mrs. Laura O'Brien
61. Mr. Hector Gobeille
62. Miss Amanda Voioovich
63. Mrs. Eugene Farr
64. Mrs. Clara Hoh
65. Mr. and Mrs. John Jocks
66. Mr. Rodolphe Bissonnette
67. Mrs. Rodolphe Bissonnette
68. Mr. John Flannery
69. Mrs. Ellen Flannery

70. Mrs. Blanche Pierce
71. Mr. Frank C. L'Orange, Sr.
72. Mr. Gérard Vigneault
73. Mr. George Miserany
74. Mr. Patrick Lavoie
75. Sister Fernande Levasseur
76. Mrs. Catherine Loy
77. Mr. Louis Kohl
78. Mrs. Margaret Kohl
79. Mr. Camille Frenette
80. Mr. Robert McQuestion
81. Mr. George Crook
82. Mr. Edward McGuire
83. Mrs. Mary Delisle
84. Mr. Gorham Joseph
85. Mr. Joseph Robert
86. Mr. Louis-Omer Pouliot
87. Mrs. Béatrice-Michaud Pouliot
88. Mr. J.-Paul Guérin
89. Mrs. Amelia Nichilo
90. Mrs. Fernand Bérubé
91. Mrs. Louis Malo
92. Mr. Leland Wallace
93. Mrs. Gertrude Hinckley
94. Mrs. Jessie Jacobs
95. Miss Gertrude Coty
96. Mr. Charles Corbeil
97. Miss Lucille Zahler
98. Mr. Antonio Dion
99. Mrs. Eva Dion
100. Miss Jeanne Dion
101. Mr. Omer Roy
102. Mrs. Nancy Tremblay
103. Miss Marguerite Privé
104. Miss Lia Duquette
105. Mrs. Antoinette Corbeil
106. Mr. Edmond Poulin
107. Mrs. Possobon
108. The McCart Family
109. Miss Bridget McCart
110. Mrs. Rose Scilluffo
111. Mr. Charles Dill
112. Mr. Joseph-Samuel Chavarie
113. Sister Sainte-Victoire
114. Mrs. Margaret Beauvais
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117. Mrs. Patrick J. Murphy
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130. Mr. Arthur Clairmont
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132. Mr. John Fay
133. Mr. Henry Allard
134. Mr. George Penders
135. Mrs. Marie Rose Maynard
136. Mrs. Parmelia Trudeau
137. Mr. Stanley Tucker
138. Mr. Richard Lefebvre
139. Mr. Rene Cayer
140. Mr. Jean Corriveau
141. Mr. Amédée Nichilo
142. Mrs. Lucia Nichilo
143. Mr. Wilfrid Pauzé
144. Mr. Thomas Dearhouse
145. Mr. Peter White
146. Mr. Edward Thomas White
147. Mr. Orville A. Kanary

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| 149. Miss Rose Lessard | 176. Mrs. Mary Maddelein |
| 150. Mr. C. P. Higgins | 177. Mr. Henry Maddelein |
| 151. Mr. Méderic Lepine | 178. Mr. John Titus |
| 152. Mr. Marcel Lepine | 179. Mr. Ernest Titus |
| 153. Mr. Albert Bouchard | 180. Mrs. Josie LaPlante Titus |
| 154. Mr. Donat Gagnon | 181. Mr. Charles Olmstead |
| 155. Mr. William H. V. Fellows | 182. Mr. Joseph Murphy |
| 156. Mrs. Julia Pappas | 183. Sr. Gertrude Martin |
| 157. Mr. William Paver | 184. Mr. Felix Narkiewicz |
| 158. Mr. John Marek, Jr. | 185. Mrs. Helen Narkiewicz |
| 159. Mr. George Marek | 186. Mrs. Margaret Shepp |
| 160. Mrs. Agnes Boissy | 187. Henry E. Pelletier |
| 161. Mrs. Graziella Goulet | 188. Mrs. Ida Fredeker Zahler |
| 162. Mr. J. B. L'Hérault | 189. Mr. Vital Labrie |
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| 165. Mrs. Henrietta Danowski | 192. Mr. Phidime Guerin |
| 166. Mr. Paul Boucher | 193. Mr. Joseph Merriman |
| 167. Mr. Maurice Titus | 194. Mr. Gerard Mathon |
| 168. Mrs. Emma Champagne | 195. Mr. Gerard St-Laurent |
| 169. Mr. Angus Canadian | 196. Mr. Euclide Dube |
| 170. Mr. Daniel J. Buckley | 197. Mr. Anthony Gill |
| 171. Mr. Harry Dunn | 198. Mrs. Lucille D. Rhodes |
| 172. Mr. Paul B. Condry | 199. Mr. Narcisse Lebeau |
| 173. Miss Mary Kubin | 200. Mrs. Narcisse Lebeau |
| 174. Miss Rose Gagnon | |

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. I. M. !

Please find enclosed a twenty-five dollar check to thank Kateri: my two children found some work; they are teachers, and jobs are scarce these days. On the spiritual side, they are good children, but don't go to Mass any longer; this is a great sorrow for my husband and me. What can we say? We try to give good example, hoping that every thing will turn out all right... (Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. R. M. !

I am sending you this money order. I had promised that if I happened to sell a cottage I would send you some money. I am keeping my promise and I shall always remain faithful to Kateri. (Montreal, P. Q.)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M. L. P. !

Enclosed is ten dollars for Kateri's Cause, She has come to my rescue over the last couple of months in the big way of having my husband's part-time job come through, in providing babysitters for me when I was training for a Christmas job, and in too many other ways to recall. I am walking today because she relieved my back pain last night. Thanks again, Kateri! (Agincourt, Ont.)

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