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- 2. It aims to increase the number of Kateri's friends and to procure from them at least one daily Hail Mary for her Canonization.
- 3. It also seeks 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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Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. V.W.!

I enclose a check in the amount of fifty dollars, my contribution to the Cause. I am being very imposing upon my friend whom I call "Little Cathy." She is, I think, responding to our request, that is, the recovery of my nephew who at the new year underwent most serious surgery. He seems to be coming along nicely, having returned to work part-time last Monday. I have many more requests already made. Perhaps I am too demanding? [Editor's note: not at all!] I know you are always praying for us, Father, and I thank you. May you continue to enjoy good health to continue your great work.

(St. Lambert, P.Q.)

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

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We need them to obtain from the loving

the speedy canonization of Blessed

and three Glory be's!

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Kateri Tekakwitha.

I, the undersigned, pledge to offer up each day one Our Father, one Hail Mary, and three Glorias until the miracle needed for Blessed Kateri's canonization is obtained.

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KATERIGRAM

OT VERY LONG AGO, I found on my desk a picture of the Blessed Virgin accompanied with a prayer of only two words, "Mary! Mother!" During the winter of 1675-76. while Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha was taking instructions to become a Christian, she would have liked this prayer and would have made the most of it in the difficulties as well as in the good times of life.

In the course of the autumn of 1675, Tekakwitha hurt her foot as she worked in the fields. She had to stay at home until she was cured. Then it was that Fr. Jacques de Lamberville, after a moment of hesitation, entered into her longhouse. She begged him to baptize her. She knew very well that her uncle would oppose it, but she was ready for any sacrifice it might take. Fr. Jacques consented to her request

and told her when her instructions would begin.

During the winter, Tekakwitha, either by listening to the sermons and catechisms in the little church of Gandaouague or to the particular instructions which she received, learned the great truths of the Faith. The missionary also

taught her how to pray, especially to Our Lady.

We must not forget that the young girl was an orphan. She had heard about the rosary, she had seen it worn around the necks of Christian Mohawks and Hurons, but she did not quite understand its meaning. And then, unexpectedly, she grasped its signification. She discovered that she was no longer an orphan; better still that her new mother was the most perfect of mothers! "Mary! Mother!..." Fr. Cholenec wrote to his Superior General in Rome. "... the Queen of Virgins, whom she chose as mother as soon as she had heard about her, she resolved to imitate and to embrace with an unbelievable love." Her life had become a Marian pilgrimage.

Some twenty years ago, I wrote, "A few miles from Montreal, under the Canadian sky, lived one of the greatest Marian souls of all times." I was referring to Blessed Kateri. In the course of the last two decades, my frequentation of the Beata did not diminish this conviction. During the Marian year, let us frequently approach the Lily of the Mohawks and pray to her from the bottom of our hearts to teach us how to say, "Mary! Mother!"

HENRI BÉCHARD, S.J., Vice-Postulator

☆ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A.B.!

I asked our Blessed Kateri to pray for my grandson to get a job. I promised to send ten dollars if he did get it. Father, he got a job that pays \$9.00 an hour. Please tell Kateri thank you and to keep on praying so that he will keep the job. He wants to get married.

(Ambridge, PA)

★ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. O.K.!

Remember the St. Jean Baptiste 1983 robbery I wrote to you about which took place in our office—some of the criminals were caught and sentenced very leniently, but none of the stolen goods ever turned up. Bearer bonds were cashed without a trace. Anyway, just recently, the police presented us with a bunch of Government bonds issued to the names of my grand-children, which they, the crooks, must have been afraid to cash. They had all matured in 1984 so we have sent them in to the Canada Bank in Ottwa recently.

Of course I had prayed to Blessed Kateri to help us recover some of the stolen goods, including a coin and stamp collection and \$2,000 worth of stock at the office. I enclose a check for one hundred dollars for the Blessed Kateri fund in gratitude for her intercession. Kateri has been our friend, MY friend, for over 35 years now. I repeat that I believe in the mystery of our communion with saints.

Will we still be around when Rome declares Blessed Kateri a Saint? I wonder—it really won't make that much of a difference to me—I mean I'll be happy for her and her people, but I couldn't love her any more than I do now...

(Braintree, MA)

* Kateri's smile upon you, Miss K.D.!

Enclosed are two separate checks, one for six dollars, the other for fifty. I received a raise at my part-time job, so here is part of it. Please pray for me that I receive peace of mind, also for my eyes and my brother's eyes. I am now semi-retired but still quite active . . .

(New York, NY)

Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. E.B.!

For five days I had suffered with a digestive disturbance. Finally I decided that Blessed Kateri was trying to tell me something. I promised her twenty dollars if my trouble ended, which it did. Herein is my check in payment in gratitude.

(Winnipeg, Man.)

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

PRESIDENT HARRY TRUMAN at the Basilica of Guadalupe

Mr. Truman ascended the stairs leading to Our Lady of Guadalupe, centered his attention on the heavenly canvas of Juan Diego and for more than ten minutes gazed at the revered image from which he seemed unable to turn his eyes away.

"I could not have departed from Mexico," he said later, "without having realized my desire to admire this image devoutly venerated not only by the Catholics of Mexico and of Latin America, but also by the Catholics of my country and of Canada. What an admirable image! How it impresses, captivates and envelops one in its effluence is impossible to describe! As I admired it, I understood the faith and veneration tendered to it and why it could lead the Mexicans to triumph and resignation in reverses and calamities. A Virgin so beautiful may well be proud of having a people worthy of her."

Marie, May-June 1954 Nicolet, Quebec



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE Empress of the Americas

This painting was executed by angels from heaven on the morning of December 12, 1531.

EACH NEW MOON



KATERI'S SMILE ...

Favors registered at the Kateri Center from April 8 to June 12, 1987:

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Safe Trips	5
Saved from Fires	1
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PRAYER PLEDGES

From January 7, 1987 to April 7, with great appreciation 406 prayer pledges for Blessed Kateri's canonization were received. We now have 20,393. Our aim is 79,607 more. Won't you help?

BLESSED BISHOP LOUIS Z. MOREAU

Bishop Moreau of St. Hyacinthe, Quebec, was beatified on May 10, 1987. Born on April 1, 1824, he was the fifth of thirteen children. He was or-



dained on December 19, 1846. He once wrote, "A single priest burning with love for God and souls, can save an entire country and bring it back under the yoke of the Lord." He was this kind of priest: his humility, his kindness, and his charity won thousands to the Almighty.

His particular devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus marked his spirituality. He made seventeen pastoral visits of his entire diocese, confirmed more than 48,000 people and preached effectively against vice and always manifested great devotion to the person of the Holy Father. He fostered Catholic education, founded communities and was particularly taken up with the poor and the handicapped. Because of his reputation of holiness, the other Bishops consulted him and the faithful considered him an authentic saint, Blessed Louis Moreau lived about forty-five miles from the spot where Blessed Kateri died.

FR. F. X. ALEXANDER ROLLAND, S.J., R.I.P.



On Saturday morning, May 30, at the hospital of Ajax near Pickering, Ontario, the location of the provincial infirmary of the Jesuits of the Upper Canada Province, the Lord Jesus called to Himself his faithful servant, Father Alexander, aged 83.

Retired for several year, he wrote to me frequently-much to my delight—and, with the permission of his superior sent me the stipends for the Masses he had offered and the checks he had received from his many friends, but better still, the assurance of his prayers to hasten the canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha. I know that in his heavy correspondence, he recommended to his friends and acquaintances praying for this intention. I consequently feel it is appropriate for me to invite the readers of Kateri to pray for him to the Lily of the Mohawks.

In 1984, he had celebrated the Golden Jubilee of his Ordination, a rather rare event among Jesuits, who are generally ordained at a

somewhat advanced age. Then and always he prayed for the Objibway and the Cree he had preached the Gospel to during 46 years. I had mentioned in the 1984 December *Kateri* that to reach his beloved Native Canadian flock, he had traveled thousands of miles by canoe or by dog-sled on the frozen lakes of the great Northland. One of the lakes was named in his honor.

The Sacred Heart, Our Lady of Guadalupe, whom Pius XII called the Empress of the Americas, and Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha were his three great loves. They were the source of his inspiration as be built chapels, churches, schools, even roads, and brought hydroelectric power to Macdiarmid, Sheshekwaning, Sheguiendah and Aroland, all in Ontario. In seeing to the bodily as well as to the spiritual needs of his flock, he succeeded in bringing them the Good News of our salvation in Christ. In a single year, he baptized 78 people. Many, I'm convinced, along with the Lily of the Mohawks, will accompany him in heaven to the thrones of the Most Holy Trinity and of the glorious Virgin Mary.

KATERI HILL BAPTIZED AT KAHNAWAKE

On May 23, two buses filled with soldiers and their families arrived at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier. They came from Fort Drum in Western New York State with their chaplain, Fr. Gerald P. Pincince. The occasion was the

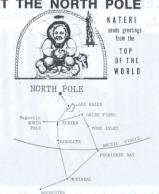
baptism of Miss Staci Lynn Kateri Hill. Before leaving for Korea where he had been assigned, with the consent of her people, Father wanted to thus honor Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha.

A BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA SCHOOL



On Wednesday evening, April 29, at Orléans, Ontario, the official inauguration and blessing of a new school erected by the Province of Ontario and dedicated to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha took place. The parents had chosen the Lily of the Mohawks as patroness. The principal, Mr. Robert Laplante, said that Blessed Kateri was the choice of the parents because she represented a time of great importance for the early Church in Canada: she also drew attention to the native people and their heritage. (See p. 16.)

KATERI AT THE NORTH POLE



Mrs. Anne M. Scheuerman of Pittsford, N.Y., a devoted friend of the Lily of the Mohawks, decided to go to the North Pole during Holy Week to deposit a statuette of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha there. (Anne's photos often appear in *Kateri*.) Coming and going, she planned to visit Eskimo settlements in order to propagate devotion to Blessed Kateri. She graciously accepted to write the story of her trip for our readers and also furnished the photos to illustrate it. (See p. 24.)

STAINED GLASS WINDOW OF BLESSED KATERI AT ISLETA PUEBLO



Fr. Bernard Loughery, Pastor of St. Augustine's at Isleta Pueblo, N.M., built in 1613 for the Pueblo Indians, who are still its parishioners, had a stained glass window of Blessed Kateri prepared for it. (See p. 23.)

"The Indian concept of religion," he said, "goes very much hand in glove with Christianity as presented by the Catholic Church for 2,000 years. The Spanish missionaries presented Christ as the son of God, and to the Indian mind and culture, that was easy to accept because their idea of God is that He's a great and loving father."

Father doesn't think he's in competition with the religious ceremonies practised in the kiva across the plaza from the Catholic church.

According to Fr. Loughery, "The Indians look upon the kiva and their customs as the handing down of ancient traditions. Today the Church would be the first to encourage the preservation of those traditions..."

Our sincere thanks to Mr. Bob Harding of Belen, N.M., who informed the Kateri Center about the devotion of the Isleta Pueblos to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha. "It's owing to Fr. Loughery," he wrote, "that the Isleta Pueblo has become a focal point of devotion to the Lily of the Mohawks." (See p. 21.)

☆ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M.R.!

Enclosed please find my check for one hundred dollars. I had a very problematic digestive condition for several years. I promised Kateri to send you this amount recently, if this condition cleared up and it has. She has done many other small favors for me over the years. I will also promise the prayers every day towards her canonization. I think she is wonderful.

(Alexandria, VA)

Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. S.B.!

I promised to publish my thanksgiving and try to spread devotion to Kateri if she would help my husband find a job. He did. Also, my son was not feeling well and Kateri helped him. I am also sending a donation because my leg has been terribly sore. I am asking her to make it better and not let it be anything serious. I will continue to pray for Blessed Kateri's canonization.

(Holyoke, MA)

☆ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.L.!

Please find ten dollars enclosed. I would like five dollars to go for the Church being built in Kateri's honor in remembrance of my Father who just passed away. Kateri helped us tremendously during his sickness. My Dad passed away without suffering as he was in a coma. I would like the other five dollars to go towards low masses for Kateri's help...

(Montreal, P.Q.)

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



A Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha School

Joyful celebration marks opening.

by Julie de Carufel

A N OVERFLOW CROWD was present Wednesday evening, April 29, to celebrate the official opening and blessing of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Catholic School, in Orleans, Ont.

Principal Robert Laplante had an impressive lineup of dignitaries present for the opening. They included numerous CRCSB trustees, including M .Thompson, Chairman of the Board, C.B. MacDonald, Chairman of the English panel of the Board, Jerry Quesnel, vice-chairman, Art LaMarche, Kanata trustee Mrs. John Ladouceur, Hugh Connelly, and associate trustees Des Hurley, Al Scobie and Anne Stankovic.

Dr. William Crossan, Director of Education, said he was glad to see so many children present that evening and that it was important to see the child as the centre of what the whole school system is doing. "We must concentrate on the children and remember that they are the heart of education", he said.

Crossan stated that the benefits of the Catholic education system lay in the teaching of a strong value system, discipline, and a dedication to the future of the children. He stressed that the Church, the school, and parents must work in unity. Crossan finished by saying that the school board administration is there to serve the public, "We're your servants—tell us if we're not doing the job well".

The board was also represented by Mike Revells, Superintendent of English Schools; John McGuiness, Superintendent of Education and Ron Larkin, Superintendent of Planning and Construction.

There were greetings from Harry Allen, representing the city of Gloucester, (with Sallie Hunter and Richard Cantin also in the crowd), and Barry Turner, federal MP. Turner reminisced briefly about his happy early memories and wished the children at Blessed Kateri similar happy memories.

Another special guest was Ed Cross, principal of Kateri School in Kahnawaké, Quebec. Bob Laplante explained that he and Cross had gone to teachers' college together years ago, and never expected to both end up principals at Kateri School. Laplante said he hopes to twin the Orleans school with its Quebec counterpart. Later in the evening, Cross surprised Laplante by saying that his Grade 4's would be visiting Ottawa, May 12, and invited the Orleans Grade 6's to visit his school when they visit Montreal, June 18. The exchange should be a great experience for everyone involved.

Laplante said that Kateri was chosen as patroness of the school because she represented a time of great importance for the early Church in Canada and to highlight the importance of native people and the heritage they have to share with us.

After introductions and the ribbon cutting ceremony, the school was blessed by Father Corbin Eddy, representing the Archbishop; Father Michael Hurtubise, for the parish, and Father Henri Béchard, vice-postulator for Kateri Mission in Kahnawake.

Father Béchard, an expert on the early Church in Canada and the life of Kateri, spoke of the importance of Mary, the Eucharist, and Christ to Kateri. Béchard described Kateri as a very joyful, giving person—an excellent choice as the patroness for the school.





Ryan Sloza of Grade 6 reads his poem in honor of Blessed Kateri, and Mrs. Suźanne Pinel, well known guitarist, sings the praises of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha.





Two school principals of schools dedicated to Kateri, Mr. Robert Laplante of Orleans, Ont., and Mr. Edward Cross of Kahnawake, Quebec, speak about the Lily of the Mohawks.



Bibles and crucifix set apart for each class



A beautiful statue of Kateri carved by Mme Filion-Hébert is offered to the school.



A time capsule will recall our period to future generations.



The guests of honor (note the lilies prepared by the school children)



Mr. Laplante and Fr. Béchard exhibit the Blessed Kateri cake.



The children's choir

A procession of school children carrying lilies (for Kateri, the Lily of the Mohawks), a Bible, and crucifixes (for the cross Kateri loved) were followed by an impressive three-foot wooden sculpture, done by Madame Yvette Filion-Hébert, showing Kateri as a young maiden. The sculpture is a gift to the school from an anonymous donor, a friend of Kateri.

Also included in the procession, was a time capsule prepared by senior students. The box, which was later on display in the lobby, contains articles that the students thought would give an idea of our lifestyle in 1987. Articles include a copy of a Consumers Distributing and Sears catalogue, Minto houseplans, report cards, class photos, computer information to show the state of computer technology, etc. It is to be opened at the 25th anniversary of the school and the contributing children contacted.

A beautiful coloured banner of Kateri was made and donated by Michael St. Jean, a parent.

The audience enjoyed a song about Kateri, composed and sung by Suzanne Pinel, well-known children's singer. The choir, finished the evening as they had begun it, with a song.

After the ceremonies, parents enjoyed the chance to socialize, eat goodies, and visit the classrooms and meet the teachers. Parents, children and guests shared the fellowship of the opening and blessing of the school, and made it a special evening.

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★ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. D.S.!

I am sending a check for ten dollars in thanks to Kateri. I thought I had lost some bonds belonging to my daughter, who is away from home. I was quite upset and asked Kateri's help. When I told my daughter about the bonds she said had cashed them. Needless to say I was quite relieved. I also have had trouble sleeping. I asked Kateri to help me and I have noticed an improvement. I am very grateful.

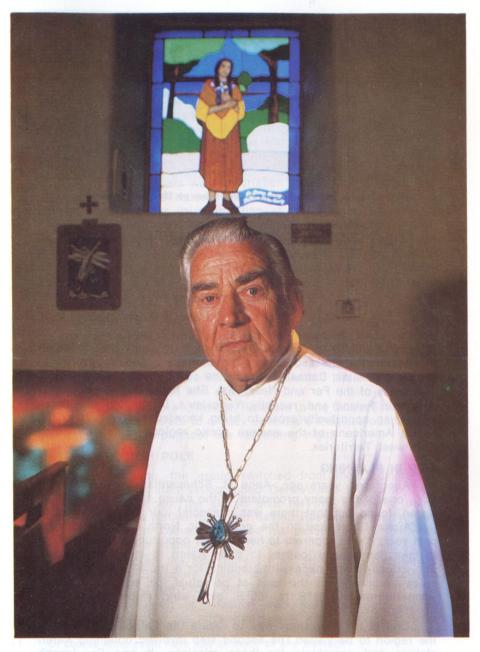
(Glen Burnie, MD)

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



BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA

A new stained glass window at Isleta Pueblo, N.M.



WITH THE KIND PERMISSION OF THE ALBUQUERQUE JOURNAL, JUNE 1987
The Rev. Bernard Loughery, pastor and ardent propagator of Blessed Kateri
in his ancient Isleta Pueblo church (1613) of the New Mexico Pueblos.



The two turboprops refuel at Lake Hazen on Ellesmere Island.

KATERI AT THE NORTH POLE

by Anne-M. Scheuerman

MANY PLACES of the world have come to know Kateri Tekakwitha, the Blessed Lily of the Mohawks. She is revered in the United States, Canada, many of the countries of Europe, Africa, and areas of the Far and Near East. She has been introduced to people in Poland and, recently, Yugoslavia. In keeping with these trends, an opportunity arose to bring knowledge of Kateri to the Native Americans of the eastern Arctic regions of the Canadian Northwest Territories.

TRIP IN PLANNING

About two years ago, Anne M. Scheuerman from Rochester, N.Y., one of the many promoters of the cause for Canonization of Kateri, found out that there was a special tour that journeyed to the Arctic Circle and to the geographic North Pole. During the past year, it was apparent to her that the opportune time had come to take this special journey to bring Kateri to the Arctic region. The extensive and necessary planning for a trip to the area, 3,000 miles northwads, to the land of perpetual ice and snow where temperatures of -08°F to -50°F, plus wind chill factors, were common, began.

One of the first steps was to locate the Catholic Missions in the region to be visited. The second step involved obtaining Kateri statues and pamphlets for these missions. It was Fr. Joseph McBride, S.J., Vice-Postulator for Kateri's Cause in the U.S. and residing at Auriesville, who provided 3 six-inch gold antique Kateri statues. A small Kateri statuette, was given by Fr. Henri Béchard, S.J., Vice-Postulator of Kateri in Canada.

Anne had determined that this statuette would be sealed in a water-proof container and left at the geographic North Pole in honor of the original peoples of the North American continent.

NOVENA OF PRAYERS

A novena of prayers was undertaken to ask the guidance and protection of Blessed Kateri, who, herself, knew and understood difficult travel. In her usual granting of favors, she did, indeed, provide care and protection throughout the entire journey.

Friday, April 17, Kateri's original Feast Day², found Anne and Fr. Béchard, Vice-Postulator for Kateri's Cause in Canada, at Kahnawake praying at the tomb of Blessed Kateri in the St. Francis Xavier Mission Church. The statues to be left in the North were blessed here.

TRIP BEGINS IN MONTREAL

An evening flight from Montreal guaranteed the party of fourteen a landing at Frobisher Bay on Baffin Island, 1,200 miles northwards. From there on, a reevaluation would be made to determine if landing was possible at Resolute Bay within the Arctic Circle, where a severe blizzard was raging.

The plane was able to land at Resolute in the blizzard. A station wagon took the travelers to a cozy over-night lodge, around which the wind howled throughout the remaining night.

ONTO THE NORTH POLE

In the morning, the group switched from their commercial airline to the chartered ski-equipped DeHavilland turboprop Twin Otter. As it happened, the skilled pilot for this chartered plane was an Onondaga Native American named Russell Bomberry, who lives near Toronto, Canada. He flew his passengers to the west coast of Ellesmere Island.

Two days later, the adventurers took off for the geographic North Pole trip. Ellesmere Island sits at the edge of the Arctic Ocean, also called the Arctic Ice Cap.

Because of need of refueling, two twin turboprop planes were used: Seven of the adventurers with silent prayers in their

¹ Of course Anne could have had as many as she wanted.

² Still maintained in Canada



Fr. Henri Béchard, S.J., with a serious look on his tace, blessed three statuettes of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier, Kahnawake, Quebec, before the departure for the Arctic Circle.



Anne Scheuerman displays one of the statuettes she took with her on leaving for the North Pole.



As she landed, Anne took an aerial view of the Pond Inlet airport on northern Baffin Island.



Mysa and Leo Muctar, members of the only Catholic family at Pond Inlet



Innuit child at Pond Inlet



Fr. Patrick Lorand, O.M.I., pastor of the Our Lady of the Assumption parish at Igaluit (formerly Frobisher Bay) on Baffin Island



Irene Tapardjuk, aged two years and a half, quite cozy in her mother's amautilet during Mass at the Our Lady of the Assumption Church, Igaluit, Baffin Island



Fellowship after the Holy Sacrifice at the Our Lady of the Assumption Church, with Louis Tapardjuk, center, President of the Baffin Region Association, Igaluit, Baffin Island

hearts and six filled gasoline drums in each plane headed for the Top of the World. The drums were held in reserve, for there was refueling from a gasoline storage cache 400 miles north at Lake Hazen. (To add to the passengers' faith, the planes refueled in the air from the gasoline drums midway on the return flight.)

The planes flew further northwards over the spectacular mountains, crevices, and valleys of Ellesmere Island where in many places no man has ever set foot. Some 30 musk-ox were seen grazing below. Soon the area leveled out and there were ice ridges but no mountains. Eeveryone knew they were now on the frozen Arctic Ocean—the Polar Ice Cap.

The instruments on the airplane panel showed the nearness of the North Pole. The pilot sent word to the passengers, "Look below and see the lead in the ice that signals the beginning of the spring ice break-up. It is one-half mile wide and, as far as I can see, extends 50 miles north." Later, this lead was found to be 100 miles long. Dog sleds traveling on the ice cannot see the distance nor the width of the leads nor its minor branches. Today, as in the early explorations, these leads are life-threatening to ground travelers.

Soon the instruments on plane's panel shoved 89°5'3" and, in a breath, the pilot was over the North Pole, looking for a safe landing place. Throughout the trip the pilot, who could "read" the ground, landed and took off ever so smoothly. Before the group realized it, they had landed at the North Pole!

KATERI STATUETTE IS LEFT

What a sacred moment within the heart! Photos were taken in a spiritual daze. The statuette of Kateri was photographed prior to depositing it atop a stack of three ice slabs providentially placed together. The ice blocks were of a soft blue hue with an outside edging of white frost. Ice blocks are commonly seen. They are a result of the great pressure exerted by the movement of the unfrozen waters below the surface ice.

Russell was watching the weather and ice conditions. Within an hour, he informed the passengers that it was time to return. Anne finished her sacred experience with a final prayer for the needs of Native Americans. She prayed for peace and mercy for all mankind, as she turned in the four directions. Yes, it had been cold here, but how can one feel the cold when the heart is so warm?

CHANGE IN WAY OF LIFE FOR INNUITS

The next day, the chartered plane took off eastwards across a whipped cream, snowy covered landscape to Grise Fiord, an Innuit (as the Eskimos prefer) village of 100 people.

Grise Fiord was the first hamlet visited after the North Pole adventure. It was from here that Anne mailed 260 post cards to friends of Kateri that are on her mailing list. These cards were created especially for the journey to the top of the world. Besides showing the travel route, a photo of the actual statuette left at the North Pole was displayed above an igloo.

In Grise Fiord, the native people live, learn, and survive in a close community. The Canadian government assists by providing essential support services, while the people work, fish, and hunt to help themselves as best they can. The same pattern prevails throughout the Arctic region. The Innuit adults and children appear happy and joyful, in spite of the pain they suffer in their cultural shock. They have become a settled people after centuries of leading a nomad life of living off the land. Though sturdy and courageous and lovers of the cold and outdoor life, they are a fragile people. There are only 20,000 Innuits in the vast Northwest Territories, which cover a broad spectrum running east to west above Canada's provinces.

ONE CATHOLIC INNUIT FAMILY AT POND INLET

Baffin Island is 800 miles long, settling west of Greenland. Pond Inlet, a village on its northernmost border, is made up of 750 people, mostly Innuits. Fr. Guy-Mary Rousselier has served Catholic Missions in this area for 50 years. He is also a respected historian of the Eastern Arctic Innuits and archeologist of the island. The Anglican church arrived in 1927 and evangelized the people. As a result, in this small village, only one Innuit family is Catholic. There are Innuit Catholic families in surrounding communities served by the Oblate Missionary.

The Innuit Catholic family is the Mucktar family. The father of the large family graciously gave an interview at his home. Allan is a kind, warm man with a gentle heart. His wife, Teresa, is a slim woman who has raised ten children. The couple also welcomes and raises other children in need of a home.

Allan was baptized a Catholic through his mother, who was a Catholic in Arctic Bay. Allan is 56 years old. Teresa was a Catholic in Igloolik. The family has always hept the Catholic faith, in spite of the lack of fellow-Catholic Innuits in this town. Confirmation of the deep feeling of faith is expressed by one of the sons, who

has been married to an Anglican Innuit named Mysa for 11 years. Leo said, "It is difficult here to be a Catholic. There are no other Catholic Innuits. But the Catholic Church is the oldest church in the world and the true church. I was baptized a Catholic and I am a Catholic."

CATHOLICISM AT IGALUIT

On the southern end of Baffin Island is Igaluit (formerly called Frobisher Bay). The Catholic Mission Church was built in 1960. Our Lady of Assumption Church is a fairly large wooden structure which includes community meeting rooms. Fr. Patrick Lorand is much loved by his parishioners and the community of 2,500 at large. A tall, muscular priest, he displays an air of confidence, faith, and joy. Born in France and ordained a priest in 1978 in Canada, Fr. Lorand asked to work in the Northlands. This Mission is a central mission. Surrounding areas served include Polaris Mines on Little Cornwallis Island, Resolute Bay, along with other settlements on Baffin Island. Peoples served are English speaking, French speaking, and Innuktitut speaking by the native Innuits. Masses are often said using the three languages and hymns are sung in the three languages.

NEWS OF KATERI

News of the Blessed Kateri was brought to each of these Catholic Missions. Both of the Baffin Island Missions were given the traditional Kateri statues from the National Kateri Center at Auriesville, N.Y. Also, Marlene McCauley, artist and devoted friend of Kateri, donated three of her new delicate and inspirational Kateri statues for the occasion. Two of them were left with these Missions, while the third was carried to the Igloolik Catholic Mission. Igloolik is located on Melville Peninsula, about 700 miles northwest of Igaluit. The person delivering the Kateri statue was a member of the tour. He was traveling there to make a three-day dogsled trip over Fox Basin. (A comment is appropriate. It was no minor miracle that these statues, which have been carried on the entire trip, were absolutely intact!) Of course, pamphlets, prayer cards, and medals also accompanied the statues.

KATERI, A FRIEND

Thus ended a thirteen-day Arctic and North Pole adventure in the name of Kateri. Surely, she protected and helped Anne to survive the bitter frost and cold, two heavy blizzards, rugged terrain,

open icy waters, and other events that could threaten an earthly existence. For these blessings, she is grateful. But what is important is that Kateri will now be a friend to the people of the Arctic, as they come to know her. She was of an original people who loved her own. She will be an inspiration for she, too, knew the cold and harsh climate. She also knew the agony of cultural life changes. Kateri's heroic virtues and way of life will inspire the people of the Northlands to imitate her goodness and faith.

After this news story was written, but before it was published, a letter was received by Anne. It was from Igloolik, where a Kateri statue and some support material were sent via a tour member traveling there, as related earlier. In confirmation of the above paragraph, Fr. Louis Legaré, O.M.I., pastor, said, "Thank you very much for the statue of Kateri. I received it exactly two years after my visit to her sanctuary in Kahnawake (Canada). For me it was a sign that she cares also for the Innuit people..."

☆ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A,B.!

My husband had good results after having two biopsies for oral surgery. We prayed for Kateri to intercede for him that his tests would be negative and they were. We will be forever grateful. Please accept our small donation in Kateri's name.

(Timonium, MD)

Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.R.!

I am sending twenty dollars to thank Blessed Kateri for past favors received. She certainly helped through troubled times. I asked her to help me through them and she did. I asked her for happiness. I met A., we got married and we are now blessed with a beautiful baby boy. I had a long labor but because of my constant faith in Kateri, she helped me through my pregnancy and delivery. She has been with me all the way. I promised that I would write to thank her. I have found happiness because I know she helped me through it. Thank you for your support and your prayers. I will continue to pray for you. I know I have been blessed by her and I always feel so much better when I pray to her and she helps me out...

(North Bay, Ont.)

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

* Kateri's smile upon you, Rt. Rev. A.H.!

Enclosed is an offering for the advancement of Blessed Kateri's Cause and my subscription to the publication **Kateri**. In 1947 following a visit to Auriesville, N.Y., my parents, my brother and myself, were pushed off the highway by a runaway truck. We landed between two buildings so close together that the doors of the car could not be opened. We had, each of us, a medal of Kateri and water from the Ravine at Auriesville. I have always attributed our safe landing to Blessed Kateri. I still carry her medal, which is now worn too thin to recognize her image. I now have emphysema and lung cancer and take cobalt radiation. I wear the "Touch Relic" picture and silk all the time . . . (Baltimore, MD)

★ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. H.D.!

I am sending ten dollars that I promised if my daughter would come through an operation and she did. I will send another ten dollars later. Thank you again and thanks to Kateri.

(Windsor, Ont.)

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

Please find enclosed the sum of fifty dollars that I promised to send for a good trip for my daughter and myself. It was a pleasant and happy visit with relatives and friends and a safe landing home. I'm eighty-four and I know I will soon have to give up travelling. So I thank Kateri for her help, she never fails.

(Barrie, Ont.)

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Obverse



Reverse

This beautiful bronze medal of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha was struck thanks to Rev. Fr. Paolo Molinari, S.J., Postulator-General of her Cause. It is 5 cm or 2 inches wide. If you are a client of the Lily of the Mohawks, you will be proud to have one. Price \$25.00

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