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Aim

1. Our quarterly bulletin, *Kateri*, published by the Kateri Center, intends to help you obtain favors both temporal and spiritual through the intercession of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha. It is hoped her Canonization 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 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.

Contents

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 native peoples of America, with special reference to the people of Kahnawake and their friends.

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1. A weekly Mass is offered;
2. A weekly Mass for deceased friends is offered;
3. The Vice-Postulator prays at his daily Mass;
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 canonization.;

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Katerigram

Let's protect our environment! Don't destroy the planet! Think of the ozone layer!" These slogans are shouted into the ears of our youngsters for whom ecology is now a religion.

What is lacking is respect for creation. Respect for human nature, respect for life, both spiritual and material. What waste as the century ends.

To discover nature is not the same as to manipulate it. The universe was created to serve man, not to enslave him. We must then make good use of creatures and not abuse of them. In the movie "Dancing with Wolves", we see the Lakota Indians staging a buffalo hunt to provide for their food and, if necessary, to preserve the precious and useful hides.

Do we take the same approach to creation? First we must examine it, then use it well, making sure that we won't corrupt or destroy it.

We say about Indians, mountain people, farmers and people close to nature, overwhelmed and spoiled by it that they have great respect for it. They continually thank the Creator for it and consider it as sacred.

Kateri Tekakwitha was a lover of nature. Pure water drawn from springs, frozen or plowed fields, wild flowers of all colors, a rabbit skipping over the snow or birds announcing the coming of Spring: this was the setting of her life. Her eyes would open wide seeing an abundant fish catch and a good hunt. She would accept the inclemencies of weather as manifestations of the power of the Creator which would mystically draw her close to Him. The wood of the trees would remind her of the cross. The fire in the longhouse that provided heat in winter and cooked food all year round was the flames of love...

Because she lived in unspoiled surroundings, the Spanish have chosen to call Kateri "the Patroness of Ecology". To know the life of Kateri and the good nature of the Indians is to know the love of creation and respect for the environment, and to trace it back to the Creator, so generous and so benevolent. He is the great provider who is in His gift, as Saint Ignatius puts it. Instead of wasting the resources the Creator has generously given us, let's learn to share with our brothers and sisters in need.

Jacques Bruyère, S.J.
Vice-Postulator



The Jacques Sogarésé Roll

An Iroquois convert who arrived, in 1671, preferred to practise Christianity in poverty rather than accept the presents that his non-Christian parents offered him not to leave them. An ardent lay missionary, he preached continually in his longhouse.

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AMERINDIAN NEWS

God is missing here

The World Conference on the Environment was held last March at Caracas, Venezuela.

A few days before the opening in a Caracas Hotel with 2000 delegates attending, a military coup had been staged which was to be the assassination of the President.

On the opening day, the President was there to reassure the delegates and to show that he was still head of the country.

"Many words filled the air, said the U.S. delegate from Vermont, but how many would materialize in action." What struck him most was this. A Navajo Indian from Arizona has convened with his town people before his departure to ask the great Spirit to accompany him and inspire him. Before he addressed the stunned assembly, he prayed again, then he said in very articulate words: "There is something missing here. The spiritual note is lacking. I don't see why before talking of God's creation, a reference should not be made to the Creator who made for us this wonderful environment, for us to enjoy and not to destroy." This spiritual message really filled a gap and the delegates should not forget it.

Fr. Brown, O.F.M., a great pilgrimage organizer

For the last 35 years, Fr. Arnold Brown, Franciscan from New York, accompanies, many times a year, group of pilgrims Very sympathetic, exuberant at times - but capable of meditation - this sturdy priest so jovial, 68 years old, really has a special talent to organize theses "mobile parishes".

The sites of pilgrimages in Quebec have no secret for him. He even knows the history behind St.

Joseph's Oratory the Shrine of Cap-de-la-Madeleine and the Basilica of St Anne-de-Beaupré.

During his 7, 10 or 14 annual trips to Quebec, Fr Brown also brings his pilgrims to other important churches, like the Basilica of Notre-Dame in Motnreal, Kateri Tekakwitha's Shrine in Kahnawaké, the Cathedral of Quebec, etc.

His trips have to be real pilgrimages. This is why, he is the happiest of men when on a restaurant-halt, a waitress admits to him that she never saw so many saints at the same time amongst her clients!...

Welcome to Kateri's Shrine in Kahnawaké this Summer!

A new school to Kateri

Mr. Robert Laplante informs us that a new school has chosen Kateri as its name and patroness. In Kateri's Autumn issue of 1986, this same Mr. Laplante, then principal of a school in Gloucester, Ont., had also selected Kateri as patroness of his school.

"I have personally had a great interest in promoting the Cause of Kateri, writes Mr. Laplante, as a model for Catholic children, as she provides a natural link to the early Canadian Church as well as an appreciation of the contribution of our aboriginal people to the early life of all Canadians. Her example as a native and a Catholic were the inspiration to her being selected as patroness of the school of which I was principal.

The Kateri School in London Ont. will open in September 1992. Congratulations to the Principal, Mr Ken Schenkel and may Kateri be an inspiration to all the children attending this school!

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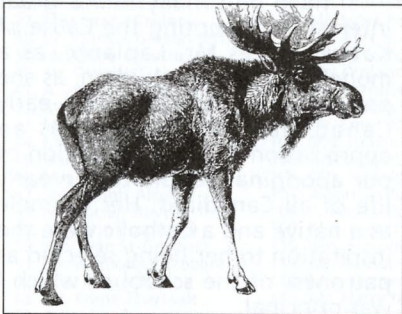
(To you I give thanks)

I was to be asked to accompany a group of Innu out to the Barren lands of Northern Labrador in order to hunt caribou - the mainstay of the Mushuau Innu. The village was a hive of activity. Women prepared bags with dried caribou. Men loaded their *komatiks* (long sleds pulled behind the ski-doo) with extra gas cans, axes, snow-shoes and tarps.

Though asked to accompany the hunters I had not been told when to go so I went over to Wapistan's tent to enquire. There I was met by his wife who motioned that I be silent. Wapistan looked like he was in a trance. He stayed that way for three days, eating nothing. At the end of his "trance" he simply got up, went to his ski-doo and took off for the west - the direction of the barren lands. All hunters, as if by instinct, climbed on their ski-does and followed my friend.

We travelled for hours over mountainous terrain. Although the scenery was breathtaking, I had to concentrate all my energies on simply staying on my ski-doo and keeping up with the hunters. They travelled at full speed through treacherous conditions, occasionally glancing behind to ensure that no one was in trouble. I felt secure in the knowledge that I would never be left behind.

After several exhausting hours of continuous travel Wapistan suddenly stopped and walked towards a hill. Everyone stayed behind. He glanced to the left, almost as if he knew what to expect, raised his rifle and shot! The other men were instantly behind him and each shot one or two caribou. When the shoot was over, Wapistan went over to his caribou (the first shot), cut a



portion of the meat and raised it slightly. Everyone was silent. He reverently placed this on the frozen land. A few moments later everyone gutted their caribou and loaded the carcasses on to their *komatiks*. Every bit of the caribou was loaded and strapped down. Nothing from the animal would be wasted, from the

brains to the hooves. Even the bones, after taking the flesh off them, would be used in a final ceremony of celebration called the "Mukashan".

On the return trip we passed through a valley that had been the scene of a hunt. Before your eyes were the heads and the legs

of caribou scattered all over the field. Guts were strewn over the snow and several young caribou were left there for the wolves. My Innu friends looked at the scene with disgust and turned their ski-does towards home. I felt ashamed. White hunters had left this mess and had demonstrated their total lack of respect for the animals who had given their lives so that they might eat.

When we returned to the village there was great excitement. Fresh caribou is a refreshing change to the diet after having eaten store food for months. The men skinned the caribou. Then the difficult work of the women began - tanning the skin by hand. The meat was cut into strips for drying and choice portions were immediately prepared for eating. There was plenty for everyone.

I later asked Wapistan about what he was doing before and during the hunt. He gently and quietly informed me that he always prays and fasts before the hunt. He asks the Creator for permission to kill his brother the Caribou.

"In our hunger, we need to eat, but we must give recognition and thanks for this food." So when he was ready and felt at one with the Creator he was able to climb on his ski-doo and begin the hunt. When he arrived at where the caribou were, he paused for a moment to give thanks, and then he shot only what he would need for himself and his family.

"The caribou was brave and had given its life so that we could have sustenance. I must give a gift back to the land, Mother Earth, in order to acknowledge our thankfulness. What greater gift than the flesh of the one who dies in order that we might eat!" This is why he had placed the strip of meat on the land. Again, out of respect for the life that was taken, nothing is wasted. He told me that it would be a terrible "sin" to see even a dog walk away with a bone of the caribou. The bones are placed on the roof of the houses until such time that they can be used or burned and given back to the earth.

The Innu have a sacred relationship with all of creation. Perhaps we can learn to develop a sacred, respectful relationship with our creator, with ourselves and each other, and with our Mother Earth and all the creatures that share this planet with us.

Chris Ruchton, O.M.I.

American Indians

The American Indian peoples had developed rich and diverse cultures long before the first Europeans came to the American continent. Migrating across this great continent, they dispersed over thousands of years, from the coasts of the Pacific Northwest to the arid mesas of the Southwest, the vast grasslands of mid-America and the mountains and woodlands of the East. Adapting themselves to changing environments as they went, they developed over 200 distinct languages and a variety of carefully developed social, economic and political institutions to meet their needs.

But the arrival of later immigrants created conflicts not yet resolved. Indian ways of life were challenged; their very existence was continually threatened by newcomers who were their superiors in the arts of war. For the Indians, the saga of nation building in America has been a story filled with sorrow and death.

American Indians in the United States today comprise less than one percent of our total population. In all, they belong to more than 250 distinct tribes and bands.

Many tribes have retained a special trust status with the United States and continue to live on reservation lands held in trust for them by the federal government. Over the long years, however, many tribes have been deprived of their communal lands, and with them have partially or entirely lost the traditional vestiges of their culture, their languages, customs and ways of living.

During recent decades, increasing numbers of American Indians, especially the young people, have migrated to cities in search of jobs, shelter and social services which are sorely lacking on many reservations. Those who have chosen or been forced to migrate to cities in response to promises of employment and a better life have too often found only new frustrations and broken dreams. Many contend with a deep sense of uprootedness, trying to maintain ties with their families and tribes while coping with the economic hardships and social prejudices, even racism, of urban society.

American Indians today are struggling against great obstacles to renew the special values of their unique heritage and to revitalize the ways of their ancestors. They are striving to achieve economic development and social justice without compromising their unique cultural identity. For some American Indian peoples the struggle is to



retain rights to their land and resources; for some it is to gain employment and economic security; and for others, it is to obtain political power in order to set their own goals and to make decisions affecting their own futures. These goals, to be achieved within the framework of Indian culture and traditions, test the strength of the American ideal of liberty and justice for all. America must respond, not to atone for the wrongs of the past, for that in a sense is beyond our power, but to be faithful to our national commitment and to contribute to a truly human future for all.

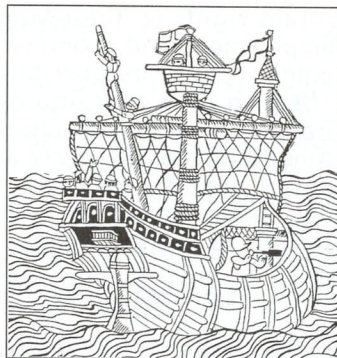
(Extracts from the Statement of U.S. Bishops on American Indians)



Answers to Quiz no. 2 (no. 171)

- 1) An Algonquin baptized in Three Rivers.
- 2) At Ossernenon, today Auriesville, N.Y. In 1656.
- 3) Father Jacques de Lamberville, s.j., She was 19.
- 4) At Gandaouagué, today Fonda N.Y.
- 5) She was four when her mother and young brother died of smallpox. Her father also died, most probably of the same disease.
- 6) A younger brother. Later she will have an adopted older sister.
- 7) One who advances gropingly. She was almost blind.
- 8) To practice her religion more freely. Her uncle, a chief opposed the Christians who left his village and took refuge at the Sault.
- 9) Father Pierre Cholenec, s.j.
- 10) Yes, and she was impressed by the life of the nuns whom she met: the Religious Hospitaliers of Saint Joseph, founders of the Hotel-Dieu of Montreal.
- 11) In her 23rd year.
- 12) Yes. The Indians said: "She died as she lived: a saint." After her death her face became radiant and beautiful: a sign of heaven. In 1681, many cures were attributed to her intercession. Till today, her reputation as a miracle-worker stands.

Grand Exchange



The encounter that was to remake two worlds began not with Columbus's reconnaissance of 1492 but with his uncelebrated return to the Americas in 1493 with 17 ships under his command. They disgorged horses and rats, pigs and weeds, fruit trees and diseases - and more than a thousand men. Infusions of Spaniards bearing pathogens triggered pandemics that eventually killed millions of native people who never saw, or even heard of a European. Europeans saw their supply of colonial forced labor rapidly dwindle, and they began to import slaves from Africa, who soon outnumbered the Caribbean natives.

The Europeans had come, as Barnal Díaz affirmed, "to give light to those in darkness and also to get rich." But those assets of the Americas not counted in gold and silver only gradually engaged the rest of the globe's attention.

Kernels of New World corn became a yellow currency more valuable to the well-being of the world than nuggets of gold. Potatoes kept famine from European villages. Sweet potatoes eased China's dependence on rice. (Today China relies on American crops for more than a third of its food supply.) Dyes from Brazil and Peru became as coveted as Far Eastern spices; Mexico's cochineal dye, which put the red in redcoat, was second only to silver in its importance as an export by the late 1500s.

Much of what the Americas received was of comparable value: grains, vegetables, livestock, technology. As chocolate went east, coffee came west, thriving in the Caribbean and Brazil. Wheat from the Middle East has made North America's Great Plains the "breadbasket of the world." Even the cowboy, that homegrown hero, had distant origins - a Moorish legacy transmitted by Spanish horsemen.

For good and for ill, those 17 ships of the second voyage began a worldwide evolution toward astonishing ends: Remote Asian families living on amaranth, a grain revered by the Aztec; Britons finding New World *chiles* in their Chinese takeout; Peruvians importing Dutch potatoes; African rice grown in Louisiana by displaced French - on Indian lands. Five centuries after it started, the grand exchange goes on.

One cannot deny that there was also a great spiritual and intellectual exchange.

As the Moslems and the Moors had weakened Christianity in Europe during the 15th C., Christians dreamt of transfer of Christianity to the New World. "America would become a promised land and a refuge. The New World would be an earthly Paradise, a new Jerusalem which would receive the remnants of Christendom destroyed in the Old World."

At the very beginning of the great expeditions of Christopher Columbus, King Ferdinand and Queen Isabella imposed upon the navigators zealous missionaries. And the navigators themselves were Christian. The first gesture required on landing on new territories was to put up a cross and to build a church...

In order to exchange, a means of communication was necessary; the missionaries therefore became educators and compilers of dictionaries and grammars. They taught arts, sciences and all sorts of subjects. European medicine could cure the Amerindians and Indian medicinal herbs delivered from many illnesses.

When we consider the evangelization of the Indians, it was done to bring them the Good News. Unfortunately the sciences of inculturation and missionary techniques did not exist in those days. Europeans desired to share with their brothers and sisters of the New World their most precious possession: their faith, and that at the cost of tremendous sacrifices and privations. Far from them the idea of adopting their culture and traditions, it was far from being a trend then. For them the Revelation of God by Christ the word dominated everything and this Revelation was to transform the Indians into disciples of Christ.

The great exchange today is more equitable on account of the efforts made to rediscover the qualities of the Indians, their spiritual values, their rites, which can so wonderfully enrich our own liturgy...

National Geographic Society

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Kateri will then take good care of you and your beloved ones on earth as in heaven.

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on
June
26

The promises of the Sacred Heart

- (1) *I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.*
- (2) *I will give peace in their families.*
- (3) *I will console them in all their troubles.*
- (4) *They shall find in my heart an assured refuge during life, and especially at the hour of death.*
- (5) *I will pour abundant blessings on all their enterprises.*
- (6) *Sinners shall find in My Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.*
- (7) *Tepid souls shall become fervent.*
- (8) *Fervent souls shall speedily rise to great perfection.*
- (9) *I will bless the homes in which the image of My Heart shall be exposed and honoured.*
- (10) *I will give priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.*
- (11) *Those who propagate this devotion shall have their name written in my heart, and it shall never be effaced.*
- (12) *Those who shall receive communion on the First Friday of nine consecutive months shall not die under My displeasure, nor without receiving their sacraments.*

**May 31st:
CANONISATION OF BI CLAUDE LA COLOMBIÈRE S.J.**

Life

1641:

Born February 2 at Saint Symphorien-d'Ozon, Diocese of Lyons, France.

1659:

Entered Jesuit seminary, Avignon; ordained to priesthood, 1669; appointed festival preacher at Church of the Trinity, Avignon. He was one of the most gifted and celebrated pulpit orators of his time.

1675:

Appointed superior of Jesuit community, Paray-le-Monial, becoming spiritual director of St. Margaret Mary to whom Christ had previously spoken of him as "My faithful servant and perfect friend." He was the first to believe her apparitions genuine.

1676:

Arrived in London October 13 as chaplain to the Duchess of York; falsely accused of complicity in Titus Oates plot, November 1678; developed TB in prison.

1679:

Banished from England in January, becoming spiritual director at Jesuit scholasticate in Lyons.

1680:

Returned to Paray-le-Monial due to poor health.

1682:

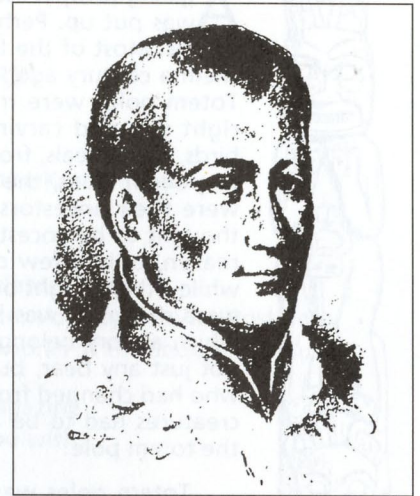
Died February 15 at Paray-le-Monial.

1929:

Declared Blessed by Pope Pius XI on June 16.

1992:

Declared Saint by Pope John Paul II on May 31.



Let us Pray

O Lord Jesus Christ, who deigned to make St. Claude the faithful servant and wonderful lover of your Sacred Heart, grant us, through his intercession, grace to imitate the virtues of this Divine Heart and be inflamed by its love.

Who lives and reigns with God the Father and the Holy Spirit forever and ever.

Amen.

**Claude's brother
cured by Kateri**

"As he was stationed in Quebec, in the year 1695, as Vicar General of the Diocese, Canon Joseph Seré La Colombière fell very sick. He then turned to Kateri, asking for a cure, promising that he would go and thank her at her tomb. His petition was granted. So he undertook this pilgrimage to encourage others to have great confidence in her and to incite them to imitate her virtues."



Totem poles

A giving-away feast was always held when a totem pole was put up. Perhaps everyone knows what a totem pole is. Most of the Indians on the northwest coast made them a century ago, though they do not do so any more. Totem poles were made by cutting down a tree of the right size and carving on the front of it the shapes of birds, bears, seals, frogs and similar creatures. Strange as it may seem to us, the Indians believed that such creatures were their ancestors. Of course, only certain ones were thought to be ancestors of any particular family. For that reason, only a few of them appeared on a totem pole, while others might belong on other totem poles. If a frog were shown, it was likely to be a particular frog, one to which a story belonged. Or if a bear were shown, it was not just any bear, but some particular bear; perhaps one who had changed from a human being. And each of these creatures had to be an ancestor to the man who put up the totem pole.

Totem poles were very like our coats-of-arms. They made it plain to the world what famous ancestors the owners could claim. They published for all to see the greatness of their owners.

Since the cutting down and carving of a totem pole required much skill, it had to be done by an artist. The more renowned the artist, the more the owner had to pay. And of course the larger the pole, and the more carvings, the more he had to pay too. So only a wealthy man could have them made, and the wealthier the man, the more splendid the pole which he ordered. In this way, one could tell by looking at the poles in front of an Indian village where the wealthiest men lived.

Besides, the people who were most nobly born usually were the wealthiest. So the totem poles indicated the rank of the people as well as their wealth.

The carvings on the totem poles were, as we have said, done by skilled artists. In making such carvings, the men worked chiefly with adzes and chisels. When the figures were all carved, they were painted in various colours. The finished pole was a majestic piece of work, sometimes as much as eighty feet high, with several creatures carved on it and painted in bright colours.

Extract from Indian Tribes of Canada
by Eileen Henness

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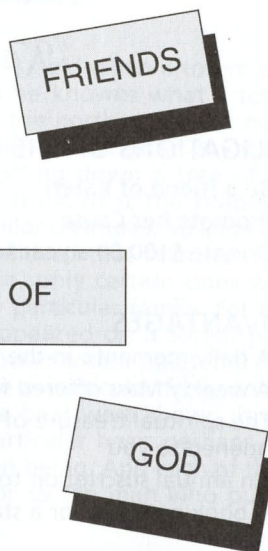
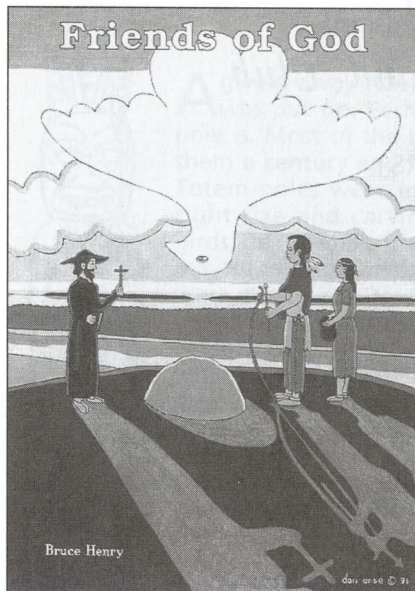
I wish to receive the book *Kateri Tekakwitha*, by
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Yes ☐

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KATERI CENTER NEWS

FAVORS registred at the Kateri Center from February 4 to April 30, 1992.

Alcoholic Problems Solved	4
Article Found	1
Better Health	20
Cures	2
Employment Found or Kept	15
Lodgings	1
Peace at Work	1
Properties Bought or Sold	3
Safe Pregnancies	3
Safe Trips	4
Successful Studies	4
Successful or Averted Operations	11

Twenty-five Prayer Pledges or more

A Sister of Mary Reparatrix, Montreal, Qc, 60.

Moving

Starting July 1st, the Kateri Center will be located in Kahnawake, two steps away from Kateri's Shrine. The Center has spent 33 years at 1673 Rachel East, Montreal. It would be impossible to evaluate the excellent services rendered to the Cause by so many benevolent hands. Just to mention a few: Srs. Mariette Bergeron, Evangéline Binet, Françoise Constantin, Jeanne Giguère, Emma Robitaille, Lillian Camden, Miss Flora MacDonal, Mrs Florence Légaré, Madeleine Huet, Lise Saint-Germain, Eileen Lazare, as well as the first companion of Fr. Henri Béchard still on the staff, Albert Lazare. The Kateri Center address will be the same:

**Box 70, Kahnawake
 Quebec, J0L 1B0
 Tel.: 638-1546 or 632-6030**

Native spirituality

"Telling our Story": such was the theme of the Native Ministries Seminar held at Kateri Hall in Kahnawake, on April 9 to 12. *1st Day:* Grassroots Stories of the Native People. *2nd Day:* Native Spirituality as told through Story Tellers. *3rd Day:* A Native Church.

In the evening, there were sessions of "healing and of reconciliation and Indian dances. The celebration of Kateri's Feast day on April 12 climaxed the Seminar: High Mass with Indian rites, dances, special homily by Bishop Bernard Hubert, the unveiling of a beautiful painting, artistic work of Mrs. Marlene McCauley, already known to all Kateri devotees, from Phoenix, Arizona.



Top: Mrs. McCauley painting.
 Bottom: Terri Steele portraying Kateri.

Testimonies of favors obtained

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

Enclosed please find a fifty dollar donation for the cause of Kateri. Five weeks ago my husband entered the hospital with kidney failure. No one expected him to live. We both prayed continually to Blessed Kateri for his recovery. Even though he is now on dialysis we are so thankful that he has come this far. With God's help he will soon be coming home. We pray every day for her canonization. Please remember us in your prayers.

(Pleasantville, NF)

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

Please find enclosed a cheque for twenty dollars to help further the Cause of Kateri. I asked Blessed Kateri to intercede in the protection and safe keeping of two of my grandchildren by bringing them back to live near me from thousands of miles away. I am so thankful to Blessed Kateri for this miracle. Thank you Blessed Kateri. I will never forget you!

(Hamilton, Ont.)

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

This donation is for a Mass to be said in honor of Blessed Kateri in thanksgiving for a wondrous favor for a friend. The man is 89 years old, a convert of many years. He and his wife came with our pilgrimage quite a few times to Kateri's Shrine. He had great devotion to Blessed Kateri since she was also a convert. The first time he saw her tomb he cried for joy! His wife has died and his family haven't been too concerned about him. He finally was put in a rest home, after the nursing home thought he was able to care for himself. It was a very poor place, food was inadequate, four to a room, etc. I started saying the prayer to Blessed Kateri and decided to say it just for him. Good Friday, my husband moved him into a residence run by the Little Sisters of the Poor. He has his own room, bath, closets, lounge chair and Mass every day. I told him he was moving in on the anniversary of Blessed Kateri's death. I had promised her a Mass in her honor and to make the favor known.

(Springfield, MA)

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

Enclosed please find a donation to thank Kateri for many prayers answered. A clean bill of health for my father after many setbacks. Also for the birth of a healthy daughter, who was named aftr Kateri.

(Hingham, MA)

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

Enclosed is ten dollars in thanksgiving to Blessed Kateri for a successful operation for breast cancer ten months ago. Also, for sparing my cat's life for four years after her operation for cancer. I pledge my prayers for Kateri's canonization.

(Ayrshire Scotland)

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

Enclosed is fifteen dollars for membership renewal and in thanksgiving for finding several important lost articles.

(Webster, NY)

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

Please find enclosed a donation to help further the Cause of Kateri. I am ever so grateful to her once again for interceding in the birth of my ninth grandchild. My daughter is doing just fine and the baby is so beautiful and healthy. I just know that Blessed Kateri had a lot to do with that. I will continue to pray daily for her canonization and ask Kateri to please help my daughter who has been told that she must have surgery. Thank you Kateri for listening to me and answering my prayers. I will always love you.

(Hamilton, Ont.)

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

I am sending you a check for twenty-five dollars. Fifteen for subscriptions and ten for an offering to dear Kateri. She answered my prayers again. My nepohew in Florida got laid off. I prayed to her that he would go back to work, and he got another job, less money but at least he is working. I pray to her every day for her canonization and to help me and she does. As I have said before, in my heart she is already a Saint. I love you Kateri.

(Southbridge, MA)

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

I am writing to express my thanks to Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha for my son obtaining admission to medical school. It was difficult for him to make the right selection and he also obtained suitable accomodations to help him pursue his studies. With grateful thanks, I will continue to pray for her beatification.

(Hamilton, Ont.)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J. S.!

I am enclosing a ten dollar donation to the Kateri Center. Recently I wrote requesting prayers for my daughter and her husband for health problems. Thanks to Blessed Kateri the problems have been resolved in their favor. Kateri also answered my prayers for my husband's health and my own tests were positive. I also wish to request your prayers for my other intentions. I know Blessed Kateri will help and that soon she will be counted amongst the Saints in heaven where she truly belongs.

(Erie, PA)

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

Enclosed is a money order for fifteen dollars. Five dollars of which I promised Blessed Kateri for helping to cure a stomach ailment. I pray for her canonization every day. The remaining money can be used where the need is greatest...

(Ottawa, Ont.)

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

I thank our Blessed Kateri for answering our prayers. My husband got a job when he needed it. I pray daily for her canonization and will continue doing so.

(Camperville, MB)

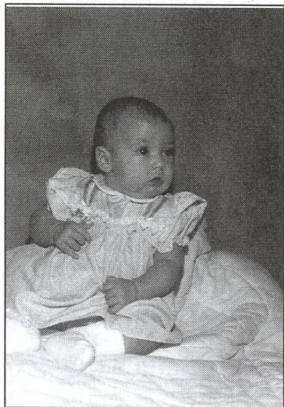
✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. C. M.!

Once again Kateri has come to our aid after many prayers. The doctors decided it would not be necessary to operate on my husband again, even though a few weeks ago they were sure it would have to be done. Thanks to Kateri.

(Valley City, OH)

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

Little Sister wants to know...



Kateri Paquette
5 months old
Ville St-Laurent, Quebec

*...if you won't help us get at least
50,000 promises of a daily Our Father,
Hail Mary and three Glories!*

*We need them to obtain from the
loving Heart of Jesus the speedy
canonization of Blessed Kateri
Tekakwitha.*

*Some 24,849 pledges have come in
after ten years' effort.*

Please send yours to: The Kateri Center
Box 70
Kahnawake, Quebec J0L 1B0

My pledge to KATERI _____ **Date** _____

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

Name _____
Street or Box _____
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POW WOW

In Kahnawake, on July 11 and 12. General public welcome.
Songs, dances, Indian crafts, etc.
On Sunday at 11 a.m., solemn Mass
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Send in your Intentions now

Spiritual

- ☐ Love in God
- ☐ Conversions
- ☐ Peace of Soul
- ☐ Resignation in Trials
- ☐ Vocations
- ☐ Faithful Departed
- ☐ Happy Death
- ☐ Obedience to the Holy Father

Temporal

- ☐ Positions
- ☐ Health
- ☐ Lodgings
- ☐ Financial Aid
- ☐ Happy Marriages
- ☐ Good Friends
- ☐ Success in Studies
- ☐ Peace in the World

Other Requests _____

Your intentions shall be forwarded
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Katerina



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Medals

1. Aluminium 15¢; Mat silver-plated: 50¢
2. Gilt-silvered: \$1.00; Gilded: \$3.00
3. Bronze medaillon of Kateri: \$25.00

Kateri Prayer Cards and Pictures

1. Sepia (brown), by sculptor E. Brunet (5" x 2 1/2"): 10¢
2. Colored, by Mother Nealis (4 1/2" x 2 3/4"): 15¢
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6. Colored, by John Steele (9 1/2" x 12"): \$1.50
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Touch Relics

1. Small Kateri pictures with silk applied to relics: 50¢

Kateri Plaques

1. Plaque, plastic case with prayer (2 1/2" x 1 1/2"): \$2.50 - with relic: \$3.00

Novena

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A sheet of 36 seals: \$1.00

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5. Kateri key chain: \$1.25
6. One inch statuette in plastic case: \$1.00

Books (Postpaid)

In English - *Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha*, by Henri Béchar, S.J., 20 pp., illustrated: \$2.50

In English - *Kateri Tekakwitha*, With a Prefatory Note of John Cardinal Wright, by Francis X. Weiser, S.J., hardcover: \$10.00; paperback \$8.00

In English - *I am Indian*, by Gualbert Brunsman, O.S.B.: \$2.00

In English - *The Original Caughnawaga Indians*, by Henri Béchar, S.J., (Book on Kateri's virtues): \$15.00

In French - *L'Astre dans la Nuit, Kateri Tekakwitha*, by Rachel Jodoin (Fictionalized biography): \$15.00

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