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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.

#### Benefits

Your contribution (\$3.00 a year, or more, if possible) enrolls you among "Kateri's Friends" for whom:

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

**C**hristmas will soon be here. How to celebrate this great feast day and penetrate ourselves with this great mystery: God with us! Let us see how Blessed Kateri lived her first Christmas for our inspiration.

Let us leave to Fr Henri Béchard the courtesy of narrating to us Kateri's first Christmas. It is an extract from his posthumous book: *Kaiatanoron Kateri Tekakwitha*.

"Discreetly but with much tenacity, Fr Boniface used all the means that his zeal suggested him to reveal to these people the beauty of the Christian faith.

At Christmas, he set up a small crib - the first one in the Mohawk valley - then illumined the face of the divine child with a quantity of candles and ornated the manger with palms of pines so sweet-smelling. It was very simple, but sufficient to excite the devotion of the faithful, young and old. They were delighted and their enchantment overflowed when their little choir of adults and youngsters started the old Noëls of France in their own language. The missionary could not resist to the instances of others, not yet Christian, to see and to contemplate for a long while this agreeable scene, in spite of the glacial cold, the ceremony lasted longer than usual.

During the day, the gathering of people became such that the Father had to stand at the door to admit well-chosen people, while the Christians enjoyed looking at length the Infant of the manger. The devotion of the adepts of Christ to the mystery of the Incarnation was so tender that Fr Boniface allowed them to sing the Christmas hymns till Easter.

The two aunties of Tekakwitha did not miss assuredly to stand before the little child just descended from heaven. In their longhouse, when the Chief was absent, they would talk about it to Tekakwitha. Did Kateri then go to hang around the church? Maybe. What is sure is that Kateri did not need to be dragged in by the Father to ask him to be admitted close to the crib.

An old custom of the Church, imported from France, settled in Gandaouagué: the ceremony of the holy bread. Every Sunday, during Mass this sacramental reminded every one that they were brothers and children of God and that this bread was the sign of the eternal bliss reserved to them; it became very dear to the Mohawks of the "prayer". (This custom is still being practiced in Kahnawake and Akwesasne, but at Christmas only.)

....

Let us imagine the heart of Kateri before the crib of Jesus. How it must have rekindled her love for Him! And she found herself desiring that He grow in her, so He can occupy the whole place. It's the wish of the Lord: to grow in us and He invites us to open the door of our hearts so He can come in. He also wishes that we eat His body, the foretaste of eternal bliss.

It's our Christmas wish to you: may you open your heart to His coming, so that He may grow in and occupy our heart more and more. It's the secret of happiness.

Jacques Bruyère, S.J.  
Vice-Postulator





## The Garakontie Roll

**G**ARAKONTIE was the missionaries helper in Onondaga. After his baptism, he never committed a wilful fault, and in spite of the clamors of a faithful but scolding wife, showed in the woods of America a character worthy of the primitive Church, by the wondrous union of magnanimous virtues, and those "little virtues" which give peace and confidence to all around.

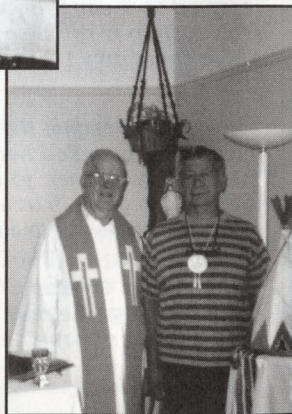
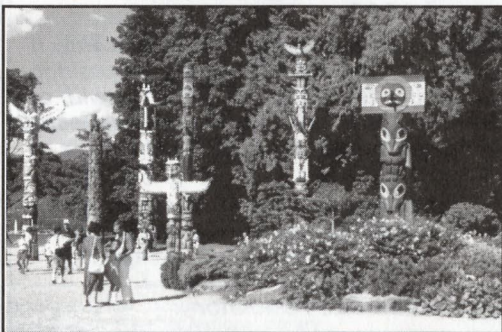
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## En route to Seattle,

August  
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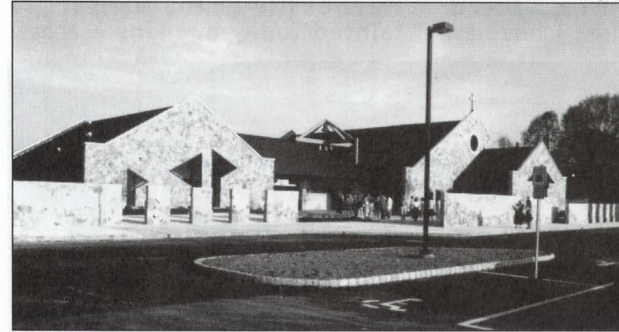
... A stop in  
Vancouver



## AMERINDIAN NEWS

### New Church dedicated to Blessed Kateri

"Set in a forest such as Blessed Kateri lived in, may you always



enter God's house aware of the beauty of the works of His creator and of the beauty of our own lives as well." These were the words of Bishop Frank Rodfimer who blessed Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha's Church, in Sparta, N.Y. on Sept. 26, 1993.

What is beautiful liturgy in a magnificent setting, that Sunday morning. The church was so much alive. It really seemed that the participants were "like living stones built in a spiritual home, holy and acceptable to God."

Why was the church dedicated to Bl. Kateri? Three names were early suggested but the parishioners opted for Kateri, because of the proximity of Lake Mohawk maybe, or because of the lovely natural environment that Kateri knew, finally because "they were excited about having a female American Indian as the parish namesake."

The parish logo depicts Kateri as a young maiden in ceremonial robes. She is surrounded by the sun, the symbol of the Great

Father Spirit and the cross of Jesus Christ she loved so much.

The moon represents the North genuine spirit reflected in Mary as the great Earth Mother. The turtle on whose back the world was born, represents the North American continent. Congratulations must be expended to the founder of the parish, Father

Daniel Murphy and to the parish staff.

May the community of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha Parish be holy like the town where Blessed Kateri lived in Kahnawake: "a village of prayer."

### Annual Pow-Pow in Kahnawake (July 10-11)

While Kateri was being celebrated in Auriesville, Kahnawake was holding its annual colorful show of Indian traditions and arts, especially dancing. Many Indian groups from Canada and the U.S. participated: Sioux, Crees, Mohawks, Algonquins...

The dancing competition attracted crowds estimated at 25,000. For a while every one seemed to be dancing.

The Pow-Pow is in remembrance of the 1990 conflict and plays an essential part in the reconciliation with the neighboring towns.

A sense of real brotherhood was felt during these two days. Every face wore a smile. ■



## Tekakwitha Conference in Seattle, Washington (August 1993)

As it was held in the beautiful surroundings of Puget Sound, in Seattle Washington, many new

faces appeared in the picture. Of the 1500 participants, many came from the West Coast: Alaska, Yukon, Vancouver Island, Washington, Oregon and California States. Some also made the trip from Nova Scotia, the State of New York and

particularly impressive was the group of Mohawks from Syracuse, Akwesasne and Kahnawake, Quebec.



St Josephs' Church - Mass. Singing of our father.

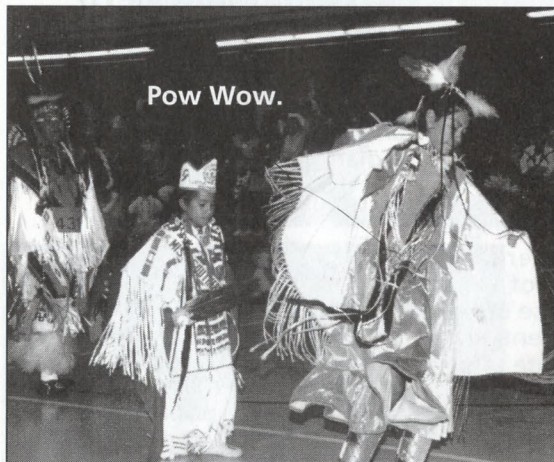
the roots, even though the present ways of life of the Natives are tainted today by many a cross-

culture influence. This happens all over the world. Even the Chinese today start the day with a fresh cup of coffee, enjoy foreign

movies, and dance to the beat of American style bands. It's a matter of retaining its own character, integrating in this modern society. But as Bishop Thomas Murphy said in his welcome speech: "Indians must continue enriching the Church as the Church has enriched them, blending their faith in Christ with their own culture. The adoration of God takes different colors and this is the richness of the

Church."

As usual there were many workshops besides the key-note addresses. To be noted was the fine



Pow Wow.

The theme of the conference was: Re-awakening the Spirit within. We feel that there is a great effort made to go back to

## Tekakwitha Conference in Seattle, Washington

talk of this Chipewa Indian from Seattle, Ms Patricia Repikoff, about "the Church after Vatican II". "Today everyone, especially the lay people, feel part of the Church... These are all called to be involved in the Church, to be evangelizers."

The sunrise ceremonies attracted a lot of early-risers and many could watch from their own windows looking down on the majestic river and lofty mountains in the back.

The most appreciated events on the program were the outings to two reservations and to the Snoqualmie Falls, and of course the two special masses at the Cathedral and at St Mary's Church. It's always enjoyable to discover the

ways of living of your brothers and sisters and of praying together to the same God.

The two Vice-Postulators for Kateri's Cause were present everywhere and were able to answer so many questions about the state of the Cause.

Bishops Chaput and Pelotte, our two American Native bishops, also honored us with their participation in the liturgies. They help us to feel like one in Christ, not with standing our different backgrounds, customs and tradi-

tions. This is what the Conference is accomplishing: unity among the Catholic Natives under the care of Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha. ■

*Jacques Bruyère, s.j.*



Grand entry.





## The Youth World Day at Denver Colorado August 11-15

*No-name photographer wins photo  
jackpot through Kateri*

**W**hat chance to obtain a press button when already 3500 media people have asked for it? I needed good close-ups of the Pope...

Knowing that Kateri Tekakwitha many times cleared a path for me, I asked her to stay with me and help me get a good press pool. At Saint Regis University the response was: "O.K."

"You've got it". Before this kind gentleman had time to reconsider his gesture I left quickly and then next day I snapped away carefully to my heart's content within 40 feet of the celebrities.

It was the President's helicopter that landed first. Hillary, Chelsea were escorted inside a building for a later photography session with the Pope. For the next hour, the two heads of State discussed problems facing young people: world aggression, violence and illegal drug trafficking. Emerging from the meeting they walked casually and leisurely to the

podium, continuing their conversation.

As they spoke in turn, each



Pope John Paul II arrives by helicopter for his meeting with President Clinton.

leader looked relaxed and at ease. President Clinton said: "...It is my hope that the extraordinary meeting of young people will create a greater spirit of unity and community among them and a renewed commitment among those who are Americans to work for justice and opportunity here at home."

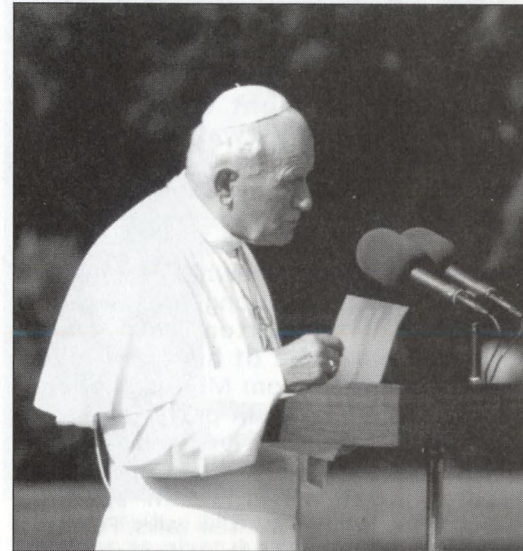
Pope John Paul II pointed out the need of the world community to agree on... the right to life, defense of life, as well as the well-being and full human development of individuals and peoples..."

### Kateri helps the "We are one body" songwriter

It was the official theme song of the gathering, written by a professional Irish singer with the stage name of Dana.

I did meet Dana when I happened to be in the ladies lounge at the Radisson. After a few words of greeting, she

was joined by the 80,000 attendees in Mile High Stadium. When she was finished, she was greeted by the Pope who held the sides of her face in his two hands, as is customary in some European cultures. Tears were streaming down her lovely face. As gentle as a dove, she placed her head on the right side of the Pontiff's chest. Like a loving Father, he tenderly placed both arms around her.



At St. Regis University,  
Pope John Paul II gives his speech.

confided: "I have to sing for the Pope and I'm so scared." I didn't know who she was. I assured her that she would do just fine. She asked me to pray for her. I said I would ask Kateri Tekakwitha to help her. While I was explaining who was Kateri, she interrupted: "I know her. I heard about her when I lived in Ireland."

Thursday night, Dana did sing just fine for the Holy Father. She

### Kateri continues her miracles

Being in the right place at the right time, and always with the help of Kateri, I ended up with media passes for many big events.

The pilgrimage Mass site was 16 miles from the Civic Center Plaza. 20,000 young people took the full pilgrimage hike. All this happened in the heat of the day at one mile above sea level. Up to

20,000 young people eventually succumbed to excessive heat and dehydration even though warnings were constantly given over the loudspeaker system. Thankfully to the Lord, not one of them suffered serious long term illness.

In the midst of such a huge crowd, how could I find my preassigned places. So I decided to walk here and there to see what adventures I would encounter, knowing since a long



## The Youth World Day at Denver Colorado (continued)



Young Native Americans from South Dakota enjoy a few moments of fellowship.

time that Kateri always adds finishing touches to the events. Having wandered aimlessly for some minutes, I stopped, stunned in my tracks. Four men with special packs on their backs were passing out the "Kateri Lily". This was no mirage. These were artists who had carved a large Kateri display, including statues for the Kateri chapel at Auriesville. I still could hardly believe what I saw. Here were these people 2000 miles from Auriesville, present at World Youth Day in Denver, Colorado. They came as pilgrims to bring to the Pope a special Kateri statue they had created. One of them had a video and asked me to say a few words... I did my bit for Kateri and Auriesville and performed my mini-news report.

The men continued on their mission, attracting many people to Kateri on their way.

### The Holy Father's hand is firm

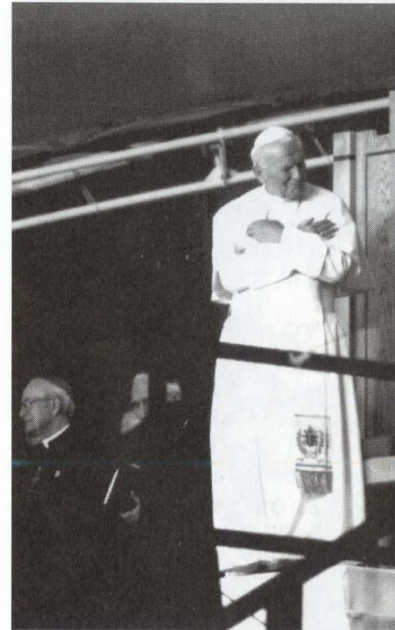
Once more I was privileged to be by the ramp that the Holy Father would walk up to preside the Saturday night vigil. When he passed by I was able to shake hands with him. At Regis University, the Pope had said to the press that he was an old man (at 73). Even though at times, he walked somewhat stooped, his grasp was strong, firm, sincere.

Chief Burton Pretty on Top and some of his Crow Indian people from Montana opened the Vigil with prayer and song. ...I was impressed by the kindness, meekness, peace and good-will that all speakers exhibited in their talks. Further, I found that they are excellent sources of reflection and meditation for the Christian community.

When the Archbishop of Baltimore, Chairman of World Youth Day welcomed the Holy Father at the Denver airport he noted: "We are one nation forged out of many peoples. To the Native Americans have been added others from Europe, Africa, Asia and now in greater

numbers from South America. All have enriched own cultures and traditions to pursue their dreams in freedom, and they are here to worship God."

Pope Jean Paul II in his first speech, welcomed all in 14



The Holy Father listens to Spiritual Readings as given by the young people at the evening Vigil at Cherry Creek park.

different languages. The Holy Father drew special attention to the first peoples of the western hemisphere. "Among you is one group I wish to mention with particular esteem: the Native American peoples. Thank you for bringing the richness and color of your special heritage to the World Youth Day. May Christ truly be the way, the Truth and the Life of your peoples."

...Then John Paul II admonished the teenagers: "...The Church needs your energies, your enthusiasm, your youthful ideas in order to make the Gospel of Life penetrate the fabric of society transforming people's hearts, and the structure of society in order to create a civilization of true justice and love... Do not be afraid to go out on the streets and into public places, like the first apostles, who preached Christ and the Good News of salvation in the square of the cities, towns and villages... Do not be afraid to break out of the comfortable and routine modes of living in order to take up the challenge of making Christ known in the modern "metropolis"... the Gospel must not be hidden because of fear and indifference."

The Holy Father looked forward to the new coming century. "The world at the approach of a new millenium, for which the Church is preparing, is like a field ready for the harvest. Christ needs laborers to work in His vineyard. May you the Catholic young people of the world not fail Him. In your hands, carry the cross of Christ. On your lips, the words of Life. In your hearts, the saving grace of the Lord." ■

Anne Scheuerman





# Merry Christmas



*May Christmas bring Friends to your Fireside.*

*Peace to your Pathway and Good Health throughout the New Year.*

*May the Great Spirit surround you with Love and Peace at Christmas.*

*May the warm winds of Heaven blow softly on your house and may the Great Spirit bless all who enter here.*

*Indian Blessings  
and... ours,  
the personnel of Kateri Center.*

## Christmas

### ... The Cries of the Little Ones

*Indian story inspired by the reading of Luke, chap. 2.*

*Moshom (grandfather) loved to tell stories. Children enjoyed them very much. Others thought that the stories contained a lot of imagination. We all listened, however. Let me retell grandfather's inspiring tale of wisdom spoken to our hushed group:*

*"What manner of animal is this?" wondered a shepherd boy as he approached the stable. "It is the cry of a child! How can that be?" He peered through the staggering shadows cast by a flickering flame and saw Mary lifting her baby out of the manger.*

*That's Christmas. It's like when the first eagles were born. You know how they cry when they are hungry, or when they miss their mother. Kitchi Manitou (the Great Spirit) was their mother and gave them their first nourishment.*

*Well, that same cry came from the Indian people too. Indians were created and placed here by that same Kitchi Manitou. No one knows when that was. Not long ago, however, other two-legged creatures came. They were strangers. We got along. They needed lots of help. They liked our help so much that more and more came. Soon, we began to die from sickness. We lost our healing powers. We lost our land to the strangers. Well, we ourselves were lost.*

*We became like the Baby in the stable, in someone else's house. We, like newborn eagles, began to cry, to call to our Mother to nourish us. Well, we didn't cry like babies do. We just felt lost, abandoned, hurt, you know how it is. We cried by hurting ourselves. We took liquor from the strangers for our furs, to be able to find comfort. We didn't care anymore. We cried like adults do when they have nowhere to turn. The more we cried, the more the strangers hated us. We hated ourselves too. The Mother Eagle didn't come to us for a long time. Our Mother Mary looked after the strangers, it seemed. Anyway, they were well nourished and didn't cry like us.*

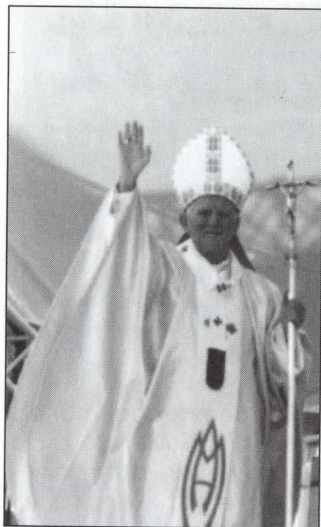
*Now, I think the Eagle hears our crying. It will surely come because already many Indians are coming to life and to health. Perhaps one day, Mary too will hear us cry and that little shepherd boy will see her pick us up to comfort and nourish us."*

*as retold by Fr. Joseph Currio, S.F.M.*



## John Paul Pays Homage to Native American Culture

by CINDY WOODEN



**S**tanding before a Catholic shrine built on the ruins of an ancient Mayan temple, Pope John Paul II called on governments throughout the Americas to respect the rights of their indigenous peoples.

At the Izamal shrine, the Pope asked the native peoples of the Americas to commit themselves to "solidarity and brotherhood without borders." The shrine was erected by Franciscan missionaries in 1549.

Arriving in Merida, Mexico, from Jamaica Aug. 11, the Pope said he came "to pay homage to the descendants of the men and women who were living on the American continent when the cross of Christ was planted" in the New World 500 years ago.

"These are the children of noble peoples and cultures, who with legitimate pride can claim they possess a vision of life permeated with religious meaning," he said at the welcoming ceremony.

In addition to the Izamal meeting with representatives of the continent's indigenous and a Mass celebrated in Merida, the Pope met with Mexican President Carlos Salinas de Gortari.

The streets of Merida, capital of Yucatan, were packed with shouting crowds who hoped to catch a glimpse of the Pope.

Primitivo Cuxin, a farmer and father of nine chosen to speak on behalf of the Mayans, told the Pope. "They say you helped your country to be free and that you helped many others to live as they like, so I think today is a good day for you to help us."

He asked the Pope to tell the world at large. "We have the right to live tranquilly, to earn our bread, to have our children, to work our fields, to speak our language and to wear our clothes."

Through the representatives, the Pope said he wanted to address indigenous peoples "from the Alaskan peninsula to Tierra del Fuego," Chile, at the tip of South America.

He called on American governments, particularly those in the North, to lay aside economic policies motivated solely by profit.

Instead, he said, "search problems that afflict extensive sectors of the continent's population."

## The Maid of the Mist and the Origin of the horseshoe Falls

**T**hey say a Seneca maiden was betrothed to an aged, ugly man. She could not accept this and determined to die by riding a canoe over the Falls at Niagara. But Heno, the Thunderer, and his two helpers who lived beneath the Great Falls caught her as she fell. Taken to wife by one of the helpers she lived with them behind the wall

quiet it burst through the Earth in search of the people. It swam up Buffalo Creek but was seen from the sky by Heno whose function is to destroy such Monsters. Hurling lightning stones from his back-pack he mortally wounded the Creature. In writhing death throes it drifted down to the Niagara River, and then to the brink of

the Falls. Here its tail caught on an island, and its head on the shore.

The body arched backwards from the edge, but the roiling waters trapped behind this great barrier caused the rocks beneath to collapse, sweeping all away in the torrent. Behind was left the graceful arch of



of water. In time she conceived and was returned to live among mankind with her child. She carried a message to her people: one of the Underground Monsters - a Great Horned Serpent - lived beneath their village cemetery, feasting upon the interred. Following her instructions the Seneca abandoned their homes. When the Serpent became aware of the

the Horseshoe Falls.

In time the arrival of the White-Man caused Heno, the Thunderer, to leave his cave beneath the Falls, and journey to the West. But today, some say that Heno has returned to his ancient home bringing his lightning stones to the Great Power generators of Niagara Falls. ■

*Seneca Story*



## Often asked QUESTIONS

- ▶ **How can I get a First Class relic?**  
Almost impossible - there are so few.
- ▶ **Is there any kind of relic available?**  
Yes. It is a "touch relic", and is a piece of silk touched to Kateri's bone.
- ▶ **Are there any pieces of Kateri's clothing in existence?**  
Her remains are entombed in Kahnawake, Canada. Pieces of bone, first class relics, are at Auriesville, and are used to bless pilgrims.
- ▶ **Is Kateri's body in Auriesville, N.Y.?**  
Kateri was born in Auriesville, but today her remains are enshrined in Kahnawake, P.Q. Canada. There are though. In Auriesville, a few pieces of her bones, first-class relics, which serve for the veneration of the pilgrims.
- ▶ **Where is Kahnawake?**  
About 10 miles South of Montreal. It can be reached via the Northway Route 87 to 15 in Canada, then right on route 132 to a right at sign Kahnawake, through tunnel, then ask for Mission Church, or via Mercier Bridge making a right turn off the bridge.
- ▶ **When will Kateri be canonized?**  
We need one miracle that will be judged authentic by the Congregation for the Cause of Saints in Rome.
- ▶ **Was Kateri a martyr?**  
No. She died a natural death.
- ▶ **Why is Fonda N.Y. connected with Kateri?**  
She was baptized there in 1676, and today there is a Shrine and a famous Museum.
- ▶ **Are there any Indians at Kahnawake?**  
This town is a Mohawk reservation. There are two other groups of Mohawks in Quebec: at Oka (Kanesatake) and at St Regis (Akwesasne).
- ▶ **Can we visit the Shrine without difficulty?**  
Of course. Many pilgrims come here, especially in the summer time.



KATERI'S  
Shrine  
in Kahnawake.

## KATERI CENTER NEWS

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### Twenty-five Prayer Pledges or More

Anonymous, Auriesville, NY, 30. A Sister of Mary Reparatrice, Montreal, QC, 30.

### Good News from the General Postulator

"I fully understand that on the part of so many people, and especially on the part of the Indians, there is a certain impatience regarding the fact that Kateri is not yet canonized.

Naturally this delay has nothing whatever to do with political questions. It is due only and exclusively to the fact that we are bound by law to present to the Congregation for the Cause of Saints the scientific proof that God has worked a miracle through the intercession of Kateri... So the only thing we can do at this stage is to pray that Our good Lord may soon grant us the joy of such a miracle and to encourage people to invoke the intercession of Kateri in cases of serious, or even desperate cases of illness. Please rest assured that I on my part will continue to do all that I can to help in these matters

as soon as reports of an alleged miracle reaches me."

**P. Paolo Molinari S.J.**  
Postulator General

### WANTED:

#### KATERI babies

Since 10 years, the Kateri magazine has a column entitled: "Little Sister wants to know". In every issue, you find the reproduction of baby called "Kateri". We are now short of babies... Who will send us a photo of his little Kateri that will appear on every edition of the 17,000 copies? Thank you.

### A Traditional Hymn

Lord, may You bless the New Year  
Make our parents and relatives happy.

This year is ours, it is given to us.  
To support generously Kateri's Cause  
And to renew our yearly subscription!

### DAVID NEEL



"One earth, four races"  
1991



## Testimonies of favors obtained

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

...My special thanksgiving to Kateri, the special favor obtained recently, a very valuable keepsake was found in a most unlikely spot. The enclosed cheque for fifty dollars is towards her Canonization...

(Dollard-des-Ormeaux, QC)

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

I have recently found out about Kateri, and am so pleased to tell you she has without a doubt helped me. I have suffered excruciating pains in my back for a year now. When I began my prayers to Kateri the pain disappeared. I have been telling all my friends about her... I'm praying to her daily...

(Bel Air, MD)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss J. O'N.!

Enclosed is a thank you of twenty-five dollars to Kateri for her help and prayers. Finally, after more than two years of interruptions, I found, not only the time to look for another apartment, but success in finding one. Kateri has also helped me in many day to day problems that occasionally need "someone special" to help.

(Milton, MA)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss O. F.!

I am sending this gift in gratitude to Blessed Kateri for her intercession on my behalf. I have had a major eye operation and it has been a complete success.

(Revere, MA)

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

I prayed to Kateri that my children would find good jobs and they did. Here is twenty dollars I promised to send.

(Neopit, WI)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss V. S.!

Six months ago on a mammogram, it was discovered that I had two small benign cysts in my left breast and I was requested to return in six months for another mammogram. In July, I returned as requested and prayed to Kateri that everything would still be all right. I promised her twenty-five dollars if that was the case. As usual, Kateri came through for me and I'm sending the check in thanksgiving...

(Catonsville, MD)

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

Enclosed please find a check for fifty dollars to Blessed Kateri in thanksgiving. My daughter is taking classes for a Masters Degree in Education. She worked very hard during her summer course and together with my prayers to Kateri, she received an A in both classes. At the end of her course, she applied for a position to help her while she is continuing her education and thanks to Kateri, she got a job. I will continue praying to Kateri to help her in her job and studies.

(Baltimore, MD)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss H. K.!

I would like to report Kateri's intercession once again for me with communication from a dear friend. I asked for her help twice and each time communication was granted. She also cured me from back pains within five minutes. Also in obtaining full time employment. I want to help her to be canonized.

(Gardena, CA)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. G. O'S.!

Thanks to Blessed Kateri my prostate cancer remains in remission. It is the good health I've enjoyed since being diagnosed, that is the real miracle...

(Brantford, ONT)

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

Please send me a few touch relics and renew my subscription to "Kateri". Once more our dear little Saint has worked two wonders. My brother-in-law had successful lung surgery and my daughter was spared an operation. Bless the Lord for giving us Kateri. Bless your work.

(Syracuse, NY)

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

Enclosed is fifty-eight dollars - ten percent of an unexpected bonus my husband received from his work. I know Kateri is always watching over us and I thank her for keeping my daughter on the right path in school, etc. It is a tough job to raise children these days. I know Kateri Tekakwitha is helping me every day. Please keep sending your magazine.

(Waldorf, MD)

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

Enclosed is a small cheque in thanksgiving to Blessed Kateri for a safe trip for my daughters and myself. I promised her a cheque if we all arrived home safely. She always comes through for me. I pray for her beatification each day.

(Kahnawake, QC)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. D. S.!

This is a little token of my appreciation for Blessed Kateri's helpfulness. I had a problem with some plumbing in my house and through her intercession, it was taken care of quite simply.

(House Springs, MD)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss R. O'R.!

Enclosed is my check for fifty dollars. Ten dollars for two more years subscription to "Kateri" and the rest in thanksgiving to Kateri for two favors received. First for helping my sister and her husband find a new home, and for me, help in finding furniture suitable for my small apartment.

(Columbus, OH)

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

Enclosed is a check for ten dollars in thanksgiving to Kateri for answering my prayers. My son took an exam and prayers to Kateri helped him pass.

(Flushing, NY)



## Big Sister wants to know...



**Kateri Breton Essis**  
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*...if you won't help us get at least  
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Hail Mary and three Glories!*

*We need them to obtain from the  
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Tekakwitha.*

*Some 26,167 pledges have come in  
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