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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.

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Each issue of *Kateri* contains:

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

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Your contribution (\$5.00 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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## The beauty of it all

Beauty it is said is in the eye of the beholder. It is what we bring to the experience that counts.

Pope John Paul II, at Easter, reminds us or invites us to admire the beauty of the world. The Bible also invites us to do the same. During the creation of the universe, "every day" had new beauty and "the Lord saw that it was good." On the last day when he made man and woman "he saw that it was very good." So everything we see, smell, hear, taste or touch reveals us new beauties.

It pleases our living God when we embrace and celebrate the beauty - His beauty - which surrounds us in this vast, wonderful universe. Did you know that there are blind sea creatures living 10 miles deep in the ocean that are illuminated with some of the most lustrous colors in the universe? "And for what purpose" asks Bleden Lane. "They cannot even see each other. It is almost as if their glory was created for its own sake. As if the universe had its own compulsion to celebrate, to make a spectacle of itself even when no one is watching... What is this but a testimony to God's endless and overwhelming exuberance?"

So let us open our eyes to see in our back or up in the sky the beauty of creation.

Those willing to share themselves with others will be rewarded with yet another aspect of beauty: the beauty of the spirit. When we form deep relationship, growth and exploration start moving again. Another person can help us to touch the parts of us that feel stronger, lovable, or beautiful. All of that is already inside us, but a good friend of mate helps draw it out."

Art and music, in their amazingly varied forms, contribute vastly to both the enjoyment and understanding of our world.

"Praise be the Lord, His Glory is above earth and heaven."

Jacques Bruyère, s.j.

inspired by Christopher News Notes





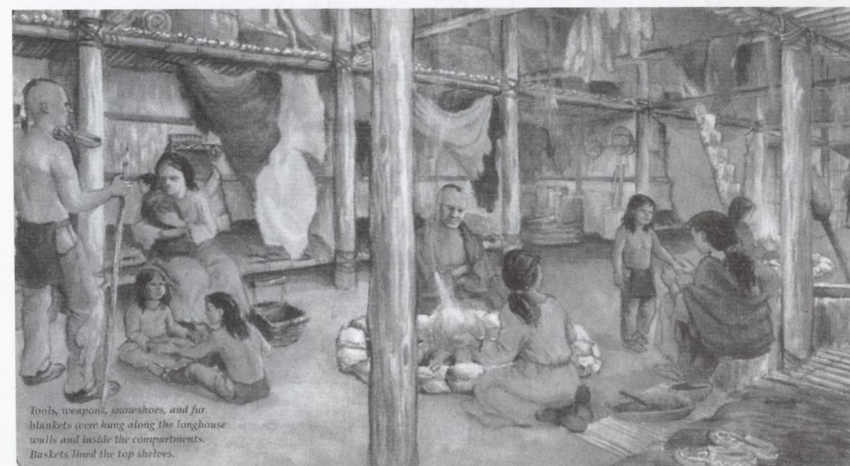
## Chief Garhio Roll

Garhio was Hot Ashes' wife. They had known and loved each other since the age of eight. During the Summer of 1677, the young couple with their children were baptized by Fr. Fremin. She took the name of Wari, Mary, and he, that of Louis Garonhiague (In-Heaven). Their family life was deeply influenced by their new faith and was very happy. Kateri cured the young mother when she was in danger of a miscarriage. Garhio lent effective help to her husband in proselytizing her non-Christian compatriots.

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## Life in a Longhouse Village



Tools, weapons, furs, and furs  
blankets were hung along the longhouse  
walls and inside the compartments.  
Baskets lined the top shelves.

The people who lived in the northeastern woodlands belonged to many nations and spoke many languages. This region's two major language groups were Iroquoian and Algonkian. Some of the nations were friends, and some were not, but they all shared a common way of life – Life in a Longhouse Village. All these nations lived in permanent homes and grew crops. They all belonged to clans and each longhouse was the home of a clan. Children will learn about the fascinating lifestyle of these hunting and farming peoples who thanked the Earth each day for its many gifts.

The longhouse was divided in half by a wide corridor that stretched from one end to the other. On either side of the corridor were individual sections, which were used by each family. Each section was about thirteen feet (4 m) long.

The sections were divided by work areas. Several fireplaces were dug into the

ground along the corridor. Families who lived across from one another shared a fireplace.

### Separate compartments

Families often separated their sections with woven screens. They also hung mats or hides at the front of their compartments for privacy, but in winter, most left the compartments open to enjoy the heat from the fireplaces.

### A place to sit or sleep

Each compartment had two or three wide platforms attached to the wall. People used the platforms for sitting, working, and storing items such as food, tools, clothing, and firewood.

They also slept on these platforms, using cornhusk mats as mattresses. In winter, they covered themselves with bearskin blankets. The Longhouse was at the origine of the Condominium...

Bobbie Kalman



## GOOD MORNING.. THIS IS GOD...

(A message from God)

*This is a nice reminder of how incredibly blessed we are*

Today I will be handling all of your problems.

Please remember that I do not need your help.

If life happens to deliver a situation to you that you cannot handle, do not attempt to resolve it.... Kindly put it in the SFGTD (something for God to do) box. It will be addressed in My time, not yours.

Once the matter is placed into the box, do not hold on to it.

If you find yourself stuck in traffic; Don't despair. There are people in this world for whom driving is an unheard-of privilege.

Should you have a bad day at work; think of the man who has no job.

Should you despair over a relationship gone bad; Think of the person who has never known what it's like to love and be loved in return.

Should you grieve the passing of another weekend; Think of the parent in dire straits, working twelve hours a day, seven days a week to feed his or her children.

Should your car break down, leaving you miles away from assistance; Think of the paraplegic who would welcome the opportunity to take that walk.

Should you notice a new gray hair in the mirror; Think of the cancer patient in chemo who wishes he or she had hair to examine.

Should you find yourself at a loss and pondering what is life all about, asking "What is my purpose?" Be thankful instead. There are those who didn't live long enough to get the opportunity to ponder.

And... last but not least, should you find yourself the victim of other people's bitterness, ignorance, smallness or insecurities, always remember, things could be worse, you could be them!!!!

## The politics of Mother Teresa



While Mother Teresa of Calcutta consciously avoided any involvement in politics, her life and work had and continue to have political implications, said participants in a Rome conference.

"In the history of the Church, the charitable activity of saints always had and always will have political dimensions, at the very least by pushing others to look at the needs around them", said Bishop Gianni Danzi, a Vatican official. Danzi, secretary-general of the governor's office of Vatican City State, worked closely with Mother Teresa in opening a soup kitchen and shelter for the poor inside the Vatican.

He spoke at a Feb. 13 conference in Rome titled, Mother Teresa of Calcutta: Is Charity Political?

Missionaries of Charity Father Brian Kolodiejchuk, promoter of her beatification cause, told the conference, "From the beginning, Mother Teresa insisted she and her sisters would never enter into a political debate; this would ensure their complete freedom to care for the poorest of the poor." Yet, what she did gave rise to questions of a political nature," he said. One of the highest obligations of a government based on the rule of law and democratic principles is to guarantee justice for its citizens, giving each person his or her due, the priest said. "But justice cannot always be given in our world," he said. Charity, as lived by Mother Teresa and espoused for all Christians, goes beyond justice, giving people not just what they are owed, but what they need.

Mother Teresa, he said, "was not just someone to admire and perhaps help when we had time, but she was someone who taught us the obligation of faith and what society must do in order to grow in its humanity".

"There always are inefficiencies and injustices," he said.

The free-market economy is a contest and there are winners and losers. There are handicaps which prevent some people from participating at all... and this is where Mother Teresa comes in.

Mother Teresa and people like her are reminders of "the obligation of solidarity," he said, an obligation that governments as well as individuals have. "The state is obliged to provide protection for citizens living in situations which are not completely resolvable by market forces," he said. "There are those who will never win in the market economy because of physical, mental, intellectual or social handicaps," the senator said. "Someone must care for them," he said, "and it is not just someone like Mother Teresa and a few other remarkable people. It must be the state that finds a way to lower barriers and help everyone up".

Cincy Wooden - CNS Rome



# In search of Heaven



From Dante to Milton, poets have tried to answer the question: What is heaven like? Indeed, heaven is a topic as inexhaustible as the mystery of God. When you ask a child like Nathan de Leon, 5, he would say, "Isn't it the sky, the clouds where Jesus is?" If you asked him, if he wanted to go to heaven, his quick reply would be, "No. I am going to miss my mom". "What if Mom goes with you?". "Then it would be fine, we will play with the angels," Nathan said. For children, heaven is where God lives with Jesus, Mary, the angels and the saints.

Jahlayna Geneblazo, 6, is in Grade 2 at St. Elizabeth School. She believes that good people go to heaven to be with God. "I think they play guitar and trumpet and the angels sing in heaven," Jahlayna said.

"Some people go to heaven, after they said 'sorry' to God," Jeanine said. "Then they live with God and they live

in peace because they are nice people," she added.

As people mature in their faith, what they believe about heaven changes.

In 1990, Peter Kreeft, a philosophy professor at Boston College, wrote a book entitled, **Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Heaven**. He tried to answer questions like: "What will we do in heaven? Will we have our bodies in heaven and what will it be like? Is there sex in heaven? Is there time in heaven?" These and many other questions that arouse people's curiosity are discussed in the book. Kreeft tried to come up with educated answers. But the inexhaustibility of the topic bred more questions

Kreeft himself admitted that his uncle tended to believe that he should not write a book on heaven due to the limitation of the human mind and the vastness of mystery that shrouds

heaven. But then he thought that the mystery of God is another topic that is absolutely difficult to fathom. "Yet that fact has not stopped us from writing millions of books and billions of words about God," Kreeft wrote. And so we continue asking. What will heaven be like? "We don't know exactly what heaven would be like," said Newman

College Professor Father David Norman. "We know from the First letter of John that we will see God as God is and that we will be known as we are known but we don't know what heaven is like."

Heaven is participation in the Trinity, is what it comes down to for Norman. "If we really are members of the body of

Christ, we are one with him in his relationship to the Father and the Spirit."

"Being members of the body of Christ, we are going to be in a love relationship with the (Trinity)," he said. "After we say that, it is pure supposition what heaven is going to be like."

Deacon Mike Mireau, 28, of the Edmonton Archdiocese, said, "heaven is a state of existence, it isn't just a place."

"Underlying the whole thing is the fact that heaven is probably beyond human comprehension," he said.

Full-time homemaker and volunteer Kathleen Lewanczuck agreed.

Renato Gandia (Edmonton)

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## Chief Joseph Rontagarha Roll

In 1677, Joseph Rontagarha, then twenty-five years of age, came to live at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier. He had already been to France and had showed himself a fairly good Christian after his return. Following a hunting expedition with Tiouasteskon, a Mohawk brave, member of the Holy Family Association, he became a devout church-goer. The conversations with his friend led him to a personal love of Christ. He often collected the children of the neighborhood in his longhouse and taught them the Creed and other prayers which were sung at church, much to the satisfaction of the Blackrobes.

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### There's always cause to wonder

O Spirit of joy !  
How many times have I found you  
at an unexpected moment

How many times have you gushed out  
from the games of children under my window,  
gay and clear,  
from a young couple leaving city hall  
like two butterflies out of their crysalids,  
from old people whose hands and face  
tell a long love story,  
from this friend of nature  
who admires a tree  
his eyes full of tenderness  
from this contemplative nun

whose face  
is like the reflection  
of the smile of God,  
from the young handicapped  
playing a basketball match fiercely.  
If every one of us, at night,  
going over his day  
could discover a sign of you,  
Spirit of joy... of the joy of God !

Michel Hubaut

## The Tempest with Jesus

There are days when our soul sails on a smooth sea. But at other times, we face violent tempests, very often unforeseen. Our projects and our dreams are often blown away by the winds. We are scared of losing our job, scared of a mortal sickness, scared of the separation from a beloved person, scared of the future...

We have the impression that all deserts us and that we will capsize. We are like the disciples of Jesus on the lake, going through a night in the tempest.

In these times of trial, we think that the Lord is abandoning us and that He is indifferent to our sufferings... Why doesn't He intervene in our favor?... In our words, we cry to Him like the disciples at the height of the tempest: "We are lost; this doesn't affect you?". Yet the Lord Jesus is always in the boat with us.

He never promised us that we would be spared from sufferings, failures and sickness...but He assures us that He will always be with us amidst the tempest, capable of appeasing the violent winds. The Lord is not absent in times of trials. It is rather us who don't know how to see Him as things go bad.

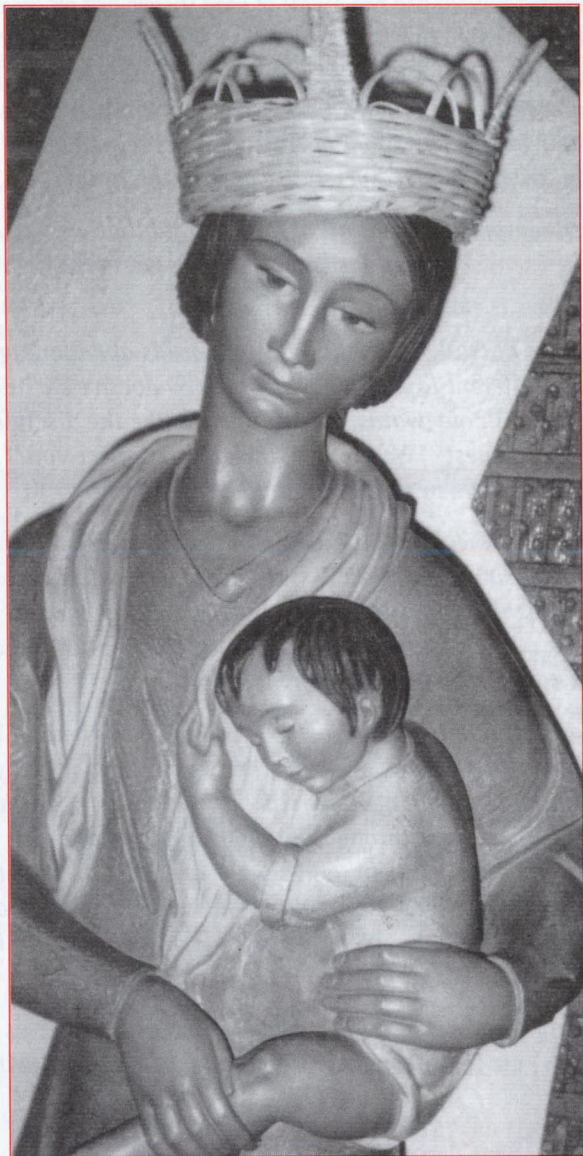
Jesus knows what He is talking about when He tells me: "Don't be afraid amidst the tempests." He has known anguish in the garden of Gethsemani, abandonment by His disciples and the torments of the cross. He even went through the thick shadows of death to reach the other shore. He can then tell us what to expect on the other side: new heavens and a new earth. He has mastered for good sin and death, as He has dominated the winds and the sea, a night of tempest with His disciples.

In happy moments, when all is peaceful, the Lord is with us. At the time of trials, during the nights of tempest, He is always with us.

"SO WHY BE AFRAID?"



## Assomption Feast – August 15



THE GYPSY VIRGIN

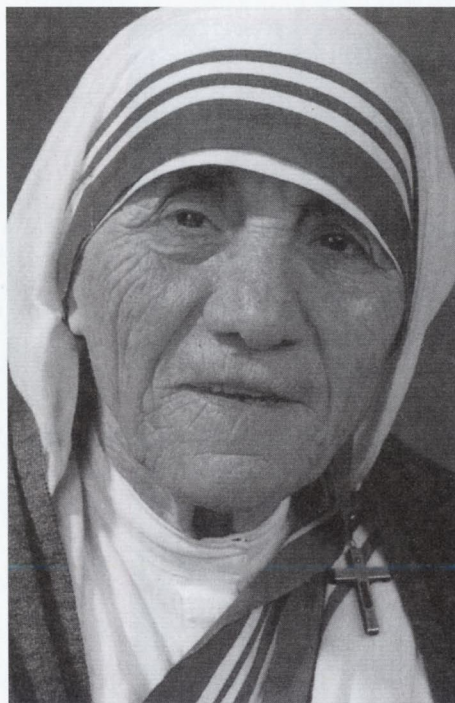
## ***Our Father in heaven has invented Mary, ...***

like a smile emanating from His face.  
He created her so good  
that She never rebuffed anyone.  
so mild  
that in her presence  
the most terrifying sinners became like lambs  
so tender  
that those who fear most  
find in her a serene peace;  
so pure  
that those who come near her  
and their vice is chased away and her stains washed away  
so lovely  
that we'd like to die  
to see her again, said Bernadette:  
so full of majesty  
that she inspires us a profound respect;  
so amiable  
that knowing her  
we can't help loving her;  
so maternal  
that she considers the most unworthy men  
as her beloved children,  
so close to us  
that she is our sister according to human nature;  
so close to God  
that she is His daughter, Mother and Spouse  
so attractive  
that God Himself  
without hesitation, gave Himself to Her.  
Why is Mary all that she is?  
because She is the reflection of God,  
the Smile of the Father.



# Mother Teresa will be beatified

## October 2003



**M**other Teresa of Calcutta will become officially a "blessed" on Oct. 19, 2003, at the end of the most rapid process of beatification in the history of the Catholic Church.

As soon as the proceedings ended, the Pope promulgated two decrees recognizing that the Albanian religious, Nobel Prize winner for Peace in 1979, practiced the Christian virtues in a heroic way and authenticated a miracle attributed to her intercession.

The Pope had given his consent to the launching of proceedings for Mother Teresa's beatification in March 2002.

He accepted the request of the Archbishop of Calcutta, Bishop Henry Sebastian D'Souza who wished a derogation to the rule fixing a delay of five years before the proceedings could start. The miracle declared "authentic" is about the cure in 1998 of Monica Besra, a young Indian woman of 30 years old. It had been approved last October by the Commission of Canonization of Saints.

Married and mother of two children, Monika suffered from tuberculosis and a cancerous tumor in the abdomen.

The doctors estimated that the metastases were too far advanced and that she was too weak to be operated on.

Monika affirmed that she had seen a light coming from a photo of Mother Teresa at the time that the Sisters of the Congregation had borne her to the chapel of the clinic where she was hospitalized and had prayed for her.

The unexplainable character of her cure made unanimity in the medical commission of the "making of saints" of the Vatican, as well as among the commission of theologians.

Indian M.D.'s in revenge affirmed that the Vatican was wrong. Monika Besra was delivered from her tumor, thanks to powerful medication and by a treatment of many days at the hospital of Balhughat, in the State of Bengal occidental.

The date chosen by the Holy Father for Mother Teresa's beatification has a double symbolical character. Firstly it is on the Sunday the closest to the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his pontificate.

Moreover John Paul II will close the year consecrated to the Rosary on October 19, proclaimed last October, to revive the custom in Christian families as a very effective help to dam up the devastating effect of the actual crisis in all the world.

The same way as Mother Teresa, the Holy Father keeps a Rosary in his pocket, the traditional instrument for the recitation of the Rosary, comprising 5 series of 10 beads, each series being followed by a separated grain.

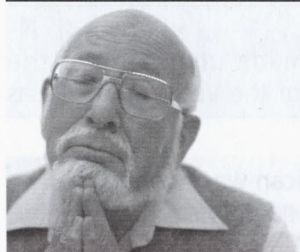
On his visit to Poland in 1999, the Pope distributed 2 1/2 tons of beads, including those given to his family and to the collaborators of the Polish President, a former communist.

Once the date of her beatification announced Sister Nirmala, the actual Superior of the congregation of the Missionary of Charity founded by Mother Teresa, and the Postulator of the proceedings of her beatification, Fr. Brian Kolodiejchuk, diffused a message in the name of the 5000 religious nuns of this Congregation, who dedicate themselves to the poor and terminally sick in the 130 countries of the world.

Today after 3 1/2 years of research about the life and virtues of Mother Teresa, the Church confirms she lead Christian existence to an heroic degree and that God made her a model of sanctity for all of us.

*Agence France-Presse*





## A look... at Life

### **If you own one Bible...**

*you are abundantly blessed.*

*1/3 of all the world does not have access to one.*

### **If you woke up this morning with more health than illness,**

*you are more blessed than the million who will not survive this week.*

### **If you have never experienced the danger of battle, the loneliness of imprisonment, the agony of torture, or the pangs of starvation...**

*you are ahead of 500 million people in the world.*

### **If you have food in the refrigerator, clothes on your back, a roof overhead and a place to sleep...**

*you are richer than 75% of this world.*

### **If you have money in the bank, in your wallet, or spare change in a dish some place...**

*You are among the top 8% of the World's wealthy.*

### **If your parents are still alive and still married...**

*You are very rare, even in the United States.*

### **If you hold your head with a smile on your face and are truly thankful,**

*you are blessed because the majority can, but most do not.*

### **If you can hold someone's hand, hug them or even touch them on the shoulder...**

*you are blessed because you can offer God's healing touch.*

Messenger of Father Daniel

## KATERI CENTER NEWS

### **Favors**

registered at the Kateri Center from February 13 to May 5, 2003

|                          |    |                                  |   |
|--------------------------|----|----------------------------------|---|
| Articles Found           | 1  | Peace at Work                    | 2 |
| Better Health            | 14 | Properties Bought or Sold        | 1 |
| Business Problem Solved  | 1  | Safe Trips                       | 2 |
| Cures                    | 4  | Successful Studies               | 3 |
| Employment Found or Kept | 5  | Successful or Averted Operations | 8 |
| Lodgings                 | 2  | Temporal Favors                  | 4 |

### *A word of thanks*

At the end of the Eucharistic Celebration on Kateri's Feastday, the V.P. proceeded to the pulpit not to give a new homily but to give a few words of thanks to all those present and to all those around the world who would like to be here.

THANKS to Bishop J. Berthelet and to the Provincial of the Jesuits who attended to heighten the tone of Kateri's Feastday Celebration.

THANKS to the K of C. and to the Daughters of Isabella who always support the works of Kateri Center.

THANKS to the parishioners of Kahnawake who have always showed much generosity towards the Church and its dependants.

THANKS to the benefactors of the whole world because our little KATERI magazine knows subscribers everywhere.

THANKS to the Mixed Choir which reminds us its outstanding performances.

THANKS to all those who came today to fill up our church, without forgetting the delegates of St-Regis, always friends, of Blessed Kateri.

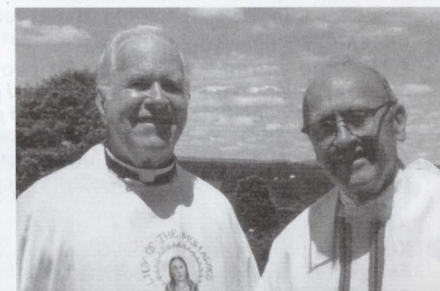
Finally THANKS to the awardees of the Kateri Center reward: Mrs. Anne Scheurman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Labelle who have supported the Cause for so long.

### **Tekakwitha CONFERENCE 2003 July 30 to August 3**

At the Augustana College,  
Sious Falls S.D.

Theme: "We are related through Katerian to share our culture and our faith on the Great Plains." The Sious Falls Regional Airport is served by major Airlines and is only 15 minutes from the Campus.

Welcome to you!



The 2 Vice-Postulators of Bl. Kateri's cause.  
To the left: Jacques Bruyère, s.j. To the right: John Parets, s.j.

Pray for Fr J. Parets s.j. The Vice-Postulator for Kateri's cause in the United States, Fr Paret has been sick for three months now. Please do recommend him to Bl. Kateri.



## Testimonies of favors obtained

- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs.. P.M.!**  
Am enclosing a cheque for the Canonization of Blessed Kateri in thanksgiving for finding two precious things I doubted could be found. Also please enroll me for another year. Thank you Blessed Kateri for a health matter that has been solved also.  
(Cornwall, ON)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Ms M.C.!**  
You sent me a Kateri Touch Relic which I faithfully applied to my eyes, ears and all over my body. Slowly, I improved in health and today my vision has clear, my hearing is sharper and my body feels younger! All this happened without surgery or medical doctors! Thank you Kateri.  
(Tucson, AZ)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. P.C.!**  
Enclosed is a donation as promised for my grandson to get employment. Thank you.  
(Dalhousie, NB)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.F.!**  
I am enclosing twenty dollars I promised for the works of Blessed Kateri. I'm much better now. Hope you can read this as I am partly blind. Please pray for me.  
(Hamilton, ON)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.M.!**  
The enclosed check is to pay for the Kateri sympathy cards and the balance for Kateri's Cause. I had a very complicated business deal and as usual I prayed to Kateri. The problems were solved. She never lets me down. I am now praying for another favor.  
(Biddeford, ME)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. Y.C.!**  
Enclosed is my donation of ten dollars in thanksgiving to Kateri for my health and to keep my family safe. May God canonize her soon and help some of my close relatives to get better from cancer. Thank you.  
(Sudbury, ON)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. C.G.!**  
My brother and son arrived safe to work on a long trip last week-end in a storm. They made it with your help and prayers. I have lots of faith in Kateri.  
(Benjamin River, NB)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss C.B.!**  
Please find enclosed ten dollars for two Kateri Guild enrollments and also one hundred dollars to the Kateri Band which I promised if some medical tests came back negative. Through Kateri's intercession and prayers to the Little Flower and St. Therese, my ultrasound showed that everything was clear. As we get older we have these problems that are sometimes a matter of concern. Thank God, I am usually fairly healthy and try to take care of myself... May Kateri continue to smile on us all.  
(St. Catharines, ON)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. T.G.S.!**  
Enclosed is a gift of thirty dollars to thank Blessed Kateri for a favor obtained. I had promised Kateri a modest gift if my son obtained good results in a difficult exam. He just received his results: he has succeeded. So enclosed in the gift.  
(St. Zacharie, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. D.M.!**  
I'm sending twenty dollars for masses... Its a promise I had made for my daughter, who had a conflict at work. Everything was settled. I thank our littel Kateri, she is a saint who answered our requests.  
(Baie Comeau, QC)

- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G.G.!**  
I come to thank Kateri for her protection while I underwent an operation for breast cancer. Everything went well and I know that she was with me that day. Now I ask her to protect me so that this terrible sickness will not reoccur.  
(Laval, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. D.C.!**  
Here enclosed is a check for five dollars. Thanks to Kateri for her protection to my daughter and granddaughter last Saturday. Two automobile accidents avoided on the same day.  
(Montreal, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J.D.!**  
I had promised fifty dollars for my daughter who was very sick. I was worried about cancer but no cancer. Many thanks to good Kateri. My daughter has a lot of pain that no one can cure. I hope that Kateri take her under her wing and she will not be deceived. This will give her confidence in God and in good Kateri. Her little family needs her. Another check will follow this autumn. A mother who has great confidence.  
(Levis, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.L.!**  
I'm sending you a small gift since I have been operated on for a cancerous tumor on my breast. All went well. They removed 19 ganglions but all were negative. Thank you Kateri. Now I have to undergo treatments. I hope everything will go well. I have confidence in Kateri.  
(Portafe River, N.B.)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J.H.!**  
Here enclosed is a check for twenty dollars for favors obtained. My daughter was waiting for a notarized settlement for a condo. I prayed and five days later the situation was settled. I was also operated on for glaucoma and everything went well, thanks to Kateri.  
(Montreal, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M.C.C.!**  
I'm sending twenty dollars to thank Kateri. My sister had to undergo an exam and everything went well thanks to Kateri and I continue praying her so that I will be cured of cancer. I have the greatest confidence that she will ask the Lord to cure me if it is His will.  
(Mashteuiatsh, QC)
- ✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. I.T.!**  
I'm writing you this note to express my gratefulness to Kateri. I don't understand why she has not been canonized yet. Because she obtains miracles. I was seriously ill and after seeing many doctors without results, I took Kateri's picture and I asked her to do something. Then I had some relief and I could sleep. Thanks to Kateri. I am devoted to Kateri.  
(Gallic, QC)

Please send yours to: **The Kateri Center, Box 70,  
Kahnawake, Québec 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 \_\_\_\_\_

City or Town \_\_\_\_\_

Province or State \_\_\_\_\_ Code \_\_\_\_\_

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# GOOD-BYE!

## Father Albert Burns, s.j.

(1918 - 2003)

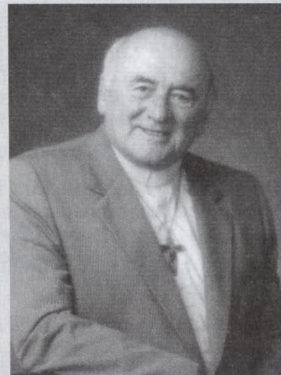
Teacher, principal, theatricals director, sports buff, choir member, mimic, humorist, Mohawk speaker (your first two years here were spent learning the basics of Kanienkehaka and teaching catechism 1941-43) and priest: you wore many hats and touched many young minds during the ten active years - your very first priestly ministry - you spent in our midst (1949-57, 1961-64, with a two-year interim as assistant to Fr. Jacobs in St. Regis, 1959-61)!

Always in high gear and on all ten cylinders, you spared no energy to fire us up and challenge our bodies and minds. Some might say you overspent yourself because we drew so much out of you. It would be too easy to say with 20/20 hindsight that you could have stayed with us much, much longer with a lighter load. You simply gave it your all, you just could not hold back. You simply packed and crammed it all in those 10 years! You were probably just as heavy-hearted at leaving us for good at 50 as we were at letting you go. But this didn't prevent you from ministering for the next 38 years - right up until last year - to various Catholic communities scattered all across your native northern Ontario, last of all a thirteen-year sprint at your home parish in Chapleau...

Even then something always tugged at you and pulled you back here for frequent short visits. Somewhere in your own heart there always remained a place for us. And you knew very well your own devotedness to us was indelibly engraved in our hearts. And so will it remain, forever. All in all: 68 + years a religious and 55 + years a priest!

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude that we shall always treasure fondly the memories of your presence in our midst: baptisms, weddings and funerals, of course, but also the teacher, mentor, sports enthusiast and dramaturgist, with the enviable gift of making wholesome and respectful fun of others and of yourself. It took us almost two generations (35 years) to pick up the stage experience you had threaded into our very fabric and which you already then sensed was crucial to our development and sanity. You'd be proud and happy to see your heritage much alive and thriving... Truly this sacred ground was blessed and honoured by your presence in our midst. Enjoy the welcome and company of all Kahnawakero: non who have preceded you up there. Keep rooting for us down here, it's just a matter of time until we meet again. From all your friends in Kahnawake a heartfelt Niawenhkó:wa!

Louis Cyr, s.j.



Father Albert Burns, s.j.

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

### Would you like to help Kateri's Cause?

When making out your last will and **testament**, why not reserve a share for the Cause in view of Kateri's Canonization and for the upkeep of her sanctuary. Simply make your request to:

*Kateri Tekakwitha Center*

*Mission St. Francis Xavier*

*P.O. Box 70, Kahnawake, Quebec J0L 1B0*

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

## The Kateri Sympathy Cards!

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good reasons  
for having  
a box  
on hand  
all the time:

On the occasion of the death of a relative or friend, all you have to do is sign a card and send it to the bereaved family.

The departed one is enrolled in the Kateri guild, for whom,

1. A weekly High Mass is offered at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier;
2. An intention is included daily in the Memento of the Vice-Postulator's Mass;
3. The Treasury of the many Masses read each month for the benefactors of the Society of Jesus is opened;
4. A Share in the good works of the Jesuits throughout the world is assured;
5. Participation in the merits gained in helping the Cause of the Lily of the Mohawks is guaranteed.

Write to the Kateri Center, Box 70, Kahnawake, Quebec J0L 1B0 for a free sample card.

One dozen cards boxed: \$5.00 (Postage included). Each yearly enrollment in the Kateri Tekakwitha Guild: \$2.00



## Katerina



obtainable from the  
**The Kateri Center**  
 Box 70  
 Kahnawake, Quebec J0L 1B0  
 Tel.: (450) 638-1546 or 632-6030  
 Fax: (450) 632-6031

### Medals

1. Mat silver-plated: 50¢
2. Souvenir Spoons: \$4.00

### Kateri Prayer Cards and Pictures

1. Sepia (brown), by sculptor E. Brunet (5" x 2 1/2"): 10¢
2. Colored, by Mother Nealis (4 1/4" x 2 1/2"): 25¢
3. Colored, by Mother Nealis (5 3/4" x 2 3/4"): 50¢
4. Colored, by Mother Nealis (9" x 13 1/2"): \$1.50
5. Colored, by John Steele (24 1/2" x 18 1/2"): \$5.00
6. Colored, by McCauley (18 1/2" x 15 1/2"): \$4.00

### 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

In the form of a short biography: \$2.00

### Kateri Seals

A sheet of 36 seals: \$1.00

PLEASE ADD A LITTLE EXTRA FOR POSTAGE AND HANDLING.

T-shirt: XL - XXL: \$8

### Statues (Postpaid)

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2. Colored (6 1/2"): \$15.00
3. In hydrocal, ivory or bronze finish (8 1/2"): \$15.00
4. Colored (8 1/2"): \$18.00
5. Kateri key chain: \$1.25
6. One inch statuette in plastic case: \$1.00

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In English - *Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha*, by Henri Béchard, S.J., 20 pp., \$2.50  
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FROM: Name \_\_\_\_\_

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As I am sending **the names of FIVE new subscribers** and their addresses to the Kateri Center (\$20.00), I now inscribe free of charge, the name of one deceased person dear to me on the Frances Tiouateskon Roll.

Mr. ☐ , Mrs. ☐ , Miss ☐ \_\_\_\_\_

- When the Roll is complete with the names of 200 deceased, 100 Masses shall be offered for the repose of their souls.
- If no name is submitted for the Roll, "A Suffering Soul of Purgatory" shall be inscribed instead.