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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 (\$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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Katerigram

## Pentecost

Pentecost will be celebrated on Sunday May 30, this year. The Spirit is always in us and in the whole world, but more on the day of Pentecost when He came down in tongues of fire on the heads of the apostles, in the presence of Mary.

May we also prepare our hearts for the Spirit descent, imitating our Mother in heaven who will help us to obtain this tongue of fire, symbol of the great love of the Father has for us.

Christ himself received the Spirit during his baptism in the Jordan. It is then that a voice was heard: "This is my beloved Son, listen to Him". And the Spirit was hovering over the head of Jesus.

We have all received the Spirit when we were baptized, "I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son and the Holy Spirit." The water which flows on our foreheads represents the Holy Spirit. A living water. And why is that? Because everything originates in water: the plants, the animals, and even the human beings. The modes and formations change and the effects vary, but one reality dwells in all. In the same way the Holy Spirit, even though unique and indivisible, gives His gifts to every one, as He likes." Mary conceived Jesus, our Saviour, by the operation of the Holy Spirit. She is thus always inclined to help us obtain these gifts.

"O Holy Spirit, Lord of Grace  
Eternal fount of love,  
Inflame, we pray, our inmost hearts  
With fire from heaven above.  
As you in bond of love do join  
The Father and the Son  
So fill us all with mutual love  
And knit our hearts in one".

Jacques Bruyère, s.j.





## 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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## Bishops Encouraged to Develop Ministries for Native American Catholics



Bishop Donald Pelotte of Gallup, N.M., urged the U.S. bishops June 19 to get to know who the Native American Catholics are in their dioceses and "learn the gifts they have to offer and the needs they have".

Speaking at the opening session of the bishops' June 19-21 meeting in St. Louis, Bishop Pelotte said more than half of the 4.1 million people who identified themselves as Native Americans in the 2000 census lived in cities and towns. Nearly half "live in dioceses that have no office or pastoral program specifically designed to meet Native American needs," he said.

Bishop Pelotte, one of two Native American bishops in the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, is chairman of the bishops' Ad Hoc Committee on Native American Catholics.

"Among some of our native people are families who have been Catholic for more than 400 years. All they ask is that the Church continue to be present to them," the bishop said.

He said the results of his committee's survey of U.S. dioceses indicated that there were just under half a million Native American Catholics, or about 12% of the total Native American population — a count that he said is "probably very low." "Forty percent of dioceses are unaware of the numbers of Native American Catholics living within their boundaries", he said.

Bishop Pelotte listed training and other resources available to dioceses that seek to start or improve ministry to native people. He particularly urged them to develop more trained leaders from among the Native Americans in their dioceses. The study, he said, found that there are currently 27 native priests, eight seminarians, 74 deacons, 34 women religious and 65 ecclesial lay ministers. He said the committee believes the number of native ecclesial lay ministers is "much larger than what was reported."



## Blessed Kateri, Woman of the Beatitudes



*Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*

When Kateri was four years old, smallpox raged through her village, killing her parents and baby brother. Her skin was left with disfiguring pockmarks, and her vision was seriously impaired. For the rest of her life, she would cover her head with a shawl to shield her from the sunlight. Nearsighted, she spent long hours in her longhouse doing her fine beadwork, and making clothes for the people of her village. Kateri did not let this handicap embitter her. She took advantage of her solitary life to meditate and to pray. Thus, she was able to grow as a contemplative, a woman keenly sensitive to God's presence in her heart.

Kateri united all the subsequent hardships of her life to that of the agony of Jesus as he died on Calvary. She understood the power of His suffering, and this is why she is often depicted holding a simple wooden Cross. After her death, she appeared in a vision to Anastasia, her adoptive mother, and told her, "My mother, look carefully at this cross I am wearing. See how beautiful it is! Oh, how I loved it on earth, and oh, how I love it in paradise!"

*Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth.*

This is possibly the most misunderstood of the Beatitudes. When we hear the word "meek" it is easy to picture a passive timidity, a kind of 'doormat' mentality. This is far from the truth! Meekness, for which a better word might be "docility," is the virtue whereby we make God's will the center of our lives. Humbly submitting our desires and hopes to Him, our hearts remain soft and open. The meek person is the one who prays with heartfelt conviction, "Thy will be done and Thy Kingdom come." To be meek is to give over the need to control one's life. Far from indicating passivity, true meekness can blaze forth in a life lived with energy, enthusiasm and great courage. St. Paul, a fiery and lion-hearted man was first and foremost a meek man, because his single-minded determination was to everywhere and always do the will of God.

So too, Blessed Kateri. When she and her friends at the "praying village," (the term used to describe the Jesuit mission where she lived the last few years of her life) approached Father Cholonc and asked him to help them start an order of sisters, he told them that they were too young in the faith. They abandoned the idea.

Instead of arguing, Kateri accepted this direction and yielded to the authority of her priest. Thus, she meekly subjugated her desire to what she understood was the will of God as expressed by the man in whom God had placed authority.

Glen Smith

## The Hands of Holy Orders

*"When I'm in front of a priest, said someone, I just want to see his hands"...*

Look at the palms of your hands and remember back to that day your bishop anointed them and sent you forth to love and serve us...



hands have reached out and grasped ours in a prayer circle of love... Think of the hands, young and nervous, which your hands have joined in the Sacrament of Matrimony... Think of the sick in mind and body who have come to you seeking help and left with hope alive in their hearts again... Think of the dying bodies these hands have anointed into Paradise.

Remember the plans you had that day for these hands to gather and minister to your people?

... Think back to the babies these hands have baptized... Think of the children these hands have prepared for First Communion, and Confirmation... Think of the hundreds of homilies these hands have written; carefully chosen words that transformed lives... Think of the countless times these hands have been held up in blessing and forgiveness in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Now think of your last Mass, and so many others, when you took plain bread and wine into these hands, and changed them into the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ... Think of the hands, our hands, into which you placed His Precious Body and the cup of His Precious Blood. Think of the retreats, the missions, the days and nights of renewal that these hands have prepared... Think of the people these hands have gathered and touched and sent forth from these experiences, with a new understanding and love for each other and for our Catholic Church... Think of the times these

Today, we anoint your hands anew with our love; with the love of your entire Catholic family. If ever, in the days ahead, you feel lonely and discouraged, please remember these words. Please hold up your hands and look at them, and remember how they fed us the Bread of Life, how they brought hope back into our lives, how they comforted us, healed us, and welcomed us home to our church again.

We wish we could take you by the hand and stand at the busiest intersection in town and shout to the world, Look every one. This is our beloved priest, in whom we are well pleased.

These hands of yours are the hands of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. We reverence them and we cannot live our lives without them... without YOU. Thank you for faithfully loving and serving us. We are so proud that you are OUR beloved priest.

Larry and Mary Sue Eck  
Bob and Rita Boeke



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# The Hands of Matrimony

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*Beloved wife, take your husband's hands and look at them:*

These are the hands, young and strong and vibrant with love, that held yours on your wedding day, as he promised to love you all the days of his life.

These are the hands that you placed with expectant joy against your stomach, until he, too, felt his child stir within your womb. These are the hands that looked so large and clumsy, yet were so gentle as he held your baby for the first time.

These are the hands that work long hours to earn the money for you and your family. These are the hands that are nicked and bruised from fixing things around the house to make you more comfortable.

These are the hands that have wiped tears from your eyes; tears of sorrow and tears of joy.

These are the hands that have comforted you in illness, and help you when fear or grief racked your mind.

These are the hands that caressed your body throughout the years, to make the wonder of love come alive for you. These are the hands that tenderly lifted your chin and brushed your cheek as they raised your face to look into his eyes; eyes that were filled completely with his overwhelming love and desire for you.



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# The Hands of Matrimony

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*Beloved husband, please take your wife's hands and look at them:*

These are the hands that held yours as she gave you her pledge to love you and accepted your ring on your wedding day.

These are the hands that were smooth and young and carefree then, but lined and rougher now from thousands of dishes washed, tons of laundry cleaned, and hundreds of meals prepared. These are the hands that are nicked and burned from knives and irons, hot skillet and pans.

These are the hands that held you in joy and excitement each time she said you were to have another child; that together you had created new life. These are the hands that have held each child in tender love, soothing them through illness, disciplining them, diapering them, sewing for them, baking for them, and wringing themselves in worry when trouble came.

These are the hands that massage tension from your neck and back after you've had a hard day. These are the hands that through the years have caressed you in the passion of love. These are the hands that held your face and wiped tears from your eyes, in wonder and awe that you would cry for her.

*Beloved couple:*

These are the hands of the Sacrament of Matrimony. These four hands are your armor and shield against the evils of the world. These four hands are God's plan for renewing His Church. These are the hands that will reach out the teenagers, bring hope to the lonely, teach the engaged the wonders of married love, heal the abused and hurting children of the world. These hands are the hope of a trouble humanity. These are the hands that will change the world.





## WHY Women Cry...

A little boy asked his mother,  
"Why are you crying?"  
"Because I'm a woman," she told him.  
"I don't understand," he said.  
His Mom just hugged him and said,  
"And you never will."

Later the little boy asked his father,  
"Why does mother seem to cry for no reason?"

"All women cry for no reason,"  
was all his dad could say.

The little boy grew up and became a man,  
still wondering why women cry.

Finally he put in a call to God. When God  
got on the phone, he asked,

"God, why do women cry so easily?"

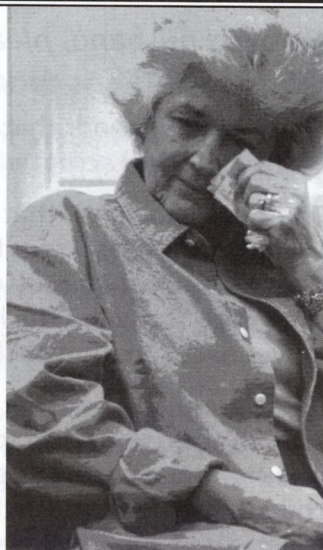
God said: "When I made the woman she  
had to be special. I made her shoulders

strong enough to carry the weight of the world, yet gentle enough to  
give comfort. I gave her an inner strength to endure childbirth and the  
rejection that many times comes from her children. I gave her a  
hardness that allows her to keep going when everyone else gives up,  
and take care of her family through sickness and fatigue without  
complaining. I gave her the sensitivity to love her children under any  
and all circumstances, even when her child has hurt her very badly. I  
gave her strength to carry her husband through his faults and  
fashioned her from his rib to protect his heart. I gave her wisdom to  
know that a good husband never hurts his wife, but sometimes tests  
her strengths and her resolve to stand beside him unfalteringly.  
And finally, I gave her a tear to shed.

This is hers exclusively to use whenever it is needed."

"You see my son," said God, "the beauty of a woman is not in the  
clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her  
hair. The beauty of a woman must be seen in her eyes, because that is  
the doorway to her heart - the place where love resides."

Please send this to all the beautiful women you know today in  
celebration of Women's History Month. If you do, something good will  
happen - You will boost another woman's self-esteem!  
Have a great day!



## Draw me a grandmother

In a school, a teacher had asked the youngsters to trace the portrait of  
a grand-mother! Here are a few answers received:

A grandmother is a person who  
has no children.

This is why she takes care of  
other children.

Grandmothers have nothing to do.  
They just have to be there.

When they take us for a stroll,  
they walk slowly, stepping on  
the lovely leaves and the caterpillars.

They never say: "Go ahead faster".

In general, they are stout but not so that  
they cannot tie your shoes.

They know that we always need a second piece of cake or a bigger one.

A real grandmother never spansks a child. She gets angry while laughing.

The grandmothers wear glasses and sometimes they can even remove  
their teeth.

When they read us stories, they never jump to the end and they don't  
mind if we ask them to repeat the same story many times.

The grandmothers are the only adults who have time always.

They are not as fragile as they say, even if they die more often than we do.

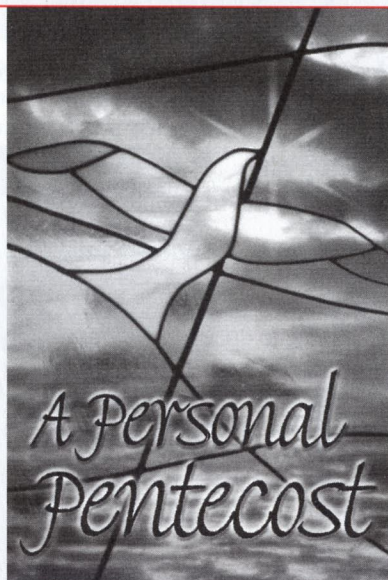
Everybody should have a grandmother, even those who don't watch T.V.

Grandmothers are those who teach us morning and night prayers and  
don't mind if we make mistakes.

(Bulletin of Mende's Church)



## A Personal Pentecost



### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Most Holy Spirit,  
Guardian of the poor,  
Comforter of the afflicted,  
Light of hearts,  
Sanctifier of souls;

Behold, I stand in your presence.

You are the divine Spirit; give me courage against all evil spirits.

You are fire; enkindle in me your love.

You are fight; enlighten my mind with the knowledge of things eternal.

You are the dove; give me innocence of life.

You are the gentle breeze; disperse the storms of my passions.

You are the tongue; teach me how to bless you always.

You are the cloud; shelter me under the shadow of your protection.

May I bless you, praise you, and love you, first during this life on earth  
and then in heaven and for all eternity.

Amen.

*Saint Alphonsus Liguori*

## The Gifts of the Spirit

Throughout the ages, God's people have been guided and renewed by the Holy Spirit. At Pentecost, the gifts of the Spirit were poured out on Jesus apostles, who would go on to face persecution, prison and violent death.

Today, the Holy Spirit is just as present in our own lives, guiding us in holiness and faith. At Confirmation, Christians receive seven special

graces or gifts of the Holy Spirit—wisdom, understanding, right judgment, courage, knowledge, reverence and wonder and awe.

### The Gift of Wisdom

"Few Old Testament topics have been addressed as eloquently—or as frequently—as wisdom, given in such measure to the great King Solomon." Wisdom literature found in the Old Testament reminds us that true wisdom is accepting God's will through faith, even when it's difficult to determine God's plans for us.

### The Gift of Understanding

The Holy Spirit's gift of understanding provides us with the insight to see people and situations through God's eyes. Our growth in this gift comes through prayer, reflection and acceptance of God's will.

### Counsel or Right Judgment

The gift of counsel or right judgment helps people follow the path to God,

especially in challenging situations. "Render true judgments, show kindness and mercy to one another." (Zacharie 7:9)

### The Gift of Courage or Fortitude

You gain strength, courage and confidence by every experience in which you really stop to look fear in the face. You must do the thing which you think you cannot do.

*Eleanor Roosevelt*

To be a Christ-bearer, one must have courage to speak out against hatred and injustice and to take a stand for Gospel values.

### The Gift of Knowledge

"I have learned more from my crucifix than from any book."

*St. Thomas Aquinas*

### The Gift of Reverence or Piety

Being faithful and devoted to God in living each day is at the heart of this gift of everyday holiness and goodness in word and deed.

### The Gift of Wonder and Awe or Fear of the Lord

The most beautiful thing we can experience is the mysterious. It is the source of all true art and all science. He to whom this emotion is a stranger, who can no longer pause to wonder and stand rapt in awe, is as good as dead: his eyes are closed.

*Albert Einstein*





## Kids opinions about mothers

(The following are different answers given by school-age children to the given questions):

### A) Why did God make mothers?

- 1) She's the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
- 2) Think about it, it was the best way to get more people.
- 3) Mostly to clean the house.
- 4) To help us out of there when we were getting born.

### B) How did God make mothers?

- 1) He used dirt, just like for the rest of us.
- 2) Magic plus super powers and a lot of stirring.
- 3) He made my mom just the same like he made me. He just used bigger parts.

### C) Why did God give you your mother and not some other mom?

- 1) We're related.
- 2) God knew she likes me a lot more than other people's moms like me.

### D) What ingredients are mothers made of?

- 1) God makes mothers out of clouds and angel hair and everything nice in the world, and one dab of mean.
- 2) They had to get their start from men's bones. Then they mostly use string. I think.

### E) What kind of little girl was your mom?

- 1) My mom has always been my mom and none of that other stuff.
- 2) I don't know because I wasn't there, but my guess would be pretty bossy.
- 3) They say she used to be nice.

### F) How did your mom meet your dad?

- 1) Mom was working in a store and dad was shoplifting.

### G) What did mom need to know about dad before she married him?

- 1) His last name.
- 2) She had to know his background. Like is he a crook? Does he get drunk on beer? Does he make at least \$800 a year? Did he say NO to drugs and YES to chores?

### H) What makes a real woman?

It means you have to be really bossy without looking bossy.

## Kids opinions... about mothers

### I) Who's the boss at your house?

- 1) Mom doesn't want to be boss, but she has to because dads such a goofball.
- 2) Mom. You can tell by room inspection. She sees the stuff under the bed.
- 3) I guess Mom is, but only because she has a lot more to do than dad.

### J) What's the difference between moms and dads?

- 1) Moms work at work and work at home, and dads just got to work at work.
- 2) Moms know how to talk to teaachers without scaring them.
- 3) Dads are taller and stronger, but moms have all the real power 'cause that's who you gotta ask if you want to sleep over at your friend's.

### K) What does your mom do in her spare time?

- 1) Mothers don't do spare time.
- 2) To hear her tell it, she pays bills all day long.

### L) What's the difference between moms and grandmas?

- 1) About 30 years.
- 2) You can always count on grandmothers for candy.
- 3) Sometimes moms don't even have bread on them!

### M) Describe the world's greatest mom?

- 1) She would make broccoli taste like ice cream!
- 2) The greatest mom in the world wouldn't make me kiss my fat aunts!
- 3) She'd always be smiling and keep her opinions to herself.

### N) Is anything about your mom perfect?

- 1) Her teeth are perfect, but she bought them from the dentist.
- 2) Her casserole recipes. But we hate them.
- 3) Just her children.

### O) What would it take to make your mom perfect?

- 1) On the inside she's already perfect. Outside, I think some kind of plastic surgery.
- 2) Diet. You know, her hair. I'd dye-it, maybe blue.

### P) If you could change one thing about your mom, what would it be?

- 1) She has this weird thing about me keeping my room clean. I'd get rid of that.
- 2) I'd make my mom smarter. Then she would know it was my sister who did and not me.



# A Mother's Prayer



Help me, Lord, to accept the limitations that plague us as human beings.

I can't foresee the future, I can't totally remedy the past.

Grant that I may do my best in the present and not expect total recognition of my effort.

Guide my children, O Lord; Let them see beyond their shortcomings. To the love that I have for each of them.

Give me a healthy respect for their independence and for this precarious stage of their growth and development.

Assist me as I try to keep in focus my mission as a very human and limited mother who can give only what first I posses.

Fill me with the humility I need to admit my mistakes and to learn from them.

Give me the strength I need to forgive, and grant me a sense of humor, so that I can laugh at my blunders and share my life in that joy that comes from recognizing that only You are perfect, only You can fully satisfy my expectations.

Thank You, Lord for making me a mother and for giving me children to help me realize how much I too need to grow.

Jeanie Gibson

## KATERI CENTER NEWS

### Favors

registered at the Kateri Center from January 31 to April 29, 2004

Articles Found	2	Properties Bought or Sold	4
Better Health	9	Safe Trips	1
Cures	4	Successful Studies	3
Employment Found or Kept	4	Successful or Averted Operations	11
Financial Aid	1	Temporal Favors	9
Peace in the Family	1	Peace of Mind	1

#### April 18, Kateri's Feastday

A solemn celebration in a well decorated church. The aging choir sang once more in Iroquois. The recipients of the Kateri award were present: Mr. & Mrs. A. McCauley, Carole & Larru Taylor. After the Mass a well-served lunch in the K.of C. Hall.

#### April 25: A "première"

The new Pastor introduced a new custom: a procession in town with Kateri's statue. Many friends of Saint-Regis joined their relatives of Kahnawake. All in all, 120 participants, on foot or by car. The Blessed Kateri must have rejoiced in heaven: a renewal of devotion to our future "saint".

#### June 14:

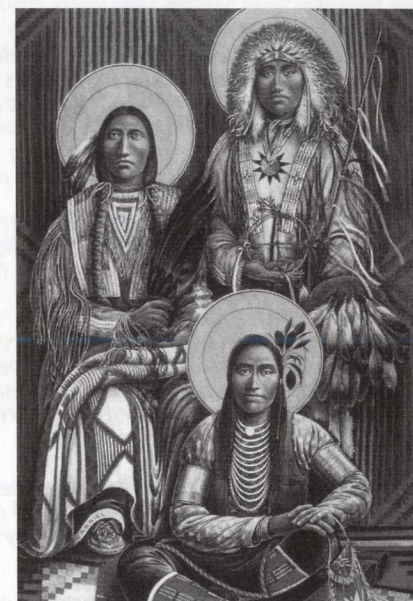
#### The Feast of the aborigines friendship

Every reservation will have its demonstrations. We, their brothers and sisters, are invited to join in.

#### April 26: Visit of Chinese priests

Four young Chinese priests came to visit the Shrine and the village of the Five Nations. They were quite impressed and brought back Blessed Kateri in their heart on their way to the Catholic University, in Washington D.C.

Pledge of prayers for Kateri's canonization: 30,383.



Traditional iconography gives witness to the human face of the Sacred. This icon, imaged in the features of America's indigenous peoples, reveals anew that sacred power.

It celebrates the soul of the Native American as the original spiritual presence on this continent, and as a prophetic sign, it celebrates the reconciliation of the spiritual vision of Native and Christian peoples of this land.

Who are these 3 personages?

Answer on page 18.



## Testimonies of favors obtained

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

Enclosed is my donation. I just want to thank you for all your prayers. I had written to you regarding my grand-daughter. She had just started daycare and was doing poorly which was frustrating for her parents who had to be taking off from work continually. Thanks to your prayers, she is now in another daycare and is doing very well in every way. It worked out for her parents as well.

(Greenfield Park, QC)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. A.K.!

I have been having much dental problems. I was hoping a bad tooth could be saved, and asked Kateri for help. The dentist was able to repair it, and I have been chewing on it. Enclosed is an offering of fifty dollars.

(Amsterdam, NY)

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

Enclosed is a check for one hundred dollars in thanksgiving to Blessed Kateri. She has guided me through rough waters many times. My personal "Kateri and Me" list is so very long yet it is filled with promise and hope in the many favors that she has granted. The current favor was Kateri's guidance in financial decisions. It is truly a miracle that everything turned out better than I ever imagined! Thank you again Kateri for watching over my family and me.

(Kersey, PA)

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

Please find enclosed a cheque for the canonization of Blessed Kateri. I pray to her every day. This is in thanksgiving for two successful surgeries for my husband and myself that were worrying us.

(Cornwall, ON)

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

Enclosed please find my check for twenty-five dollars in thanksgiving for a favor received. I asked Kateri to help my daughter find a job close to her home. She will begin on March 1. I will continue to pray that she will do well in her job.

(Baltimore, MD)

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

Enclosed is ten dollars for Kateri's cause. Again Kateri interceded for me and what I thought was a major problem turned out to be very minor. I am now praying for two other favors and I am confident my prayers will be answered.

(Biddeford, ME)

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

I want to thank Kateri for many favors, especially for my grandson who was in a very difficult situation. I pray every day for Kateri's canonization and my prayers are always answered.

(Hamilton, ON)

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

Enclosed please find my check in thanksgiving to Kateri for finding some lost articles. I and my husband continue to pray for her canonization. Please pray that my husband's health will improve. Thank You!

(Grand Rapids, MI)

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

Enclosed please find a check for twenty-five dollars to renew my subscription to the Kateri bulletin. Through the help of Blessed Kateri our family has received blessings. Two nephews found jobs. Thank you for your kind prayers.

(Baltimore, MD)

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Archangels Gabriel, Raphael and Michael

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

First I want to thank you for your magazine. It is really nice! I also want to express my gratitude and to give thanks to the Lord and Blessed Kateri for the help that I received. My son had a very big problem in school.... My son was just trying to avoid school as much as possible. So I prayed to Blessed Kateri and asked her to help me to talk to him. Amazingly, after the prayers to Blessed Kateri my son agreed to change school and now he feels differently. Many thank to Kateri. Also Blessed Kateri is a patron Saint for my son. Although she is not a Saint yet we consider her one.

(North York, ON)

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

The enclosed donation of seventy-five dollars is sent in thanksgiving for all God has granted for our son through Blessed Kateri's intercession and care. We have given him completely into her care - and she does take such good care of him. She has obtained miracles for him; in his life and continues to stay by his side. We have a Mass said at our parish church every year on her feast day and are able to place a huge painting of her on the altar... I always carry her prayer cards and medals to give to others... We have had the privilege of introducing her to many people. We visit her Shrine in Fonda, NY every year and visited Kahnawake once several years ago. Sweet Blessed Kateri is very dear to us - she is a family friend, and we are so grateful for her. Please keep our son in your prayers...

(Media, PA)

### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. A.K.!

Kateri helped my wife through her recent surgery. Kateri has helped me many times before. Enclosed is a fifty dollars thank you check.

(Amsterdam, NY)

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

I thank God and His Blessed Mother for Kateri. The intercessory prayers of Kateri are powerful, she has helped me many times. Enclosed find a money order for fifty dollars and a check for one hundred dollars for favors received. The favors were granted for favorable health reports. I now am asking her to help me with another request. Thank you Kateri, I love you!

(St. Marys, PA)

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

Enclosed is a cheque for fifty dollars. I prayed to Kateri to help me get over my operation, for my son who has a sore back that is coming around wonderfully and for my daughter's safety while flying.

(Benjamin River, NB)

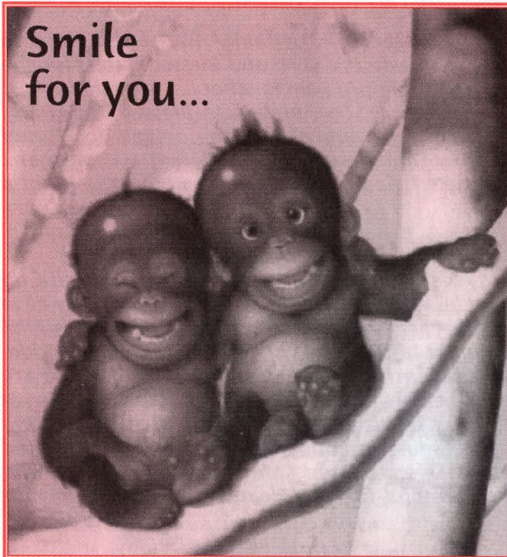
### ✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. N.B.!

I was worried about my son's job but things seem to have gotten settled. I thank God and Kateri. I'm enclosing ten dollars for the Center.

(Berlin, NH)



## Smile for you...



If God brings you to it,  
He will bring you through it.  
Happy moments, praise God.  
Difficult moments, seek God.  
Quiet moments, worship God.  
Painful moments, trust God.  
Every moment, thank God.

Smiling is infectious;  
you catch it like the flu.

When someone smiled at me  
today, I started smiling too.

I passed around the corner and  
someone saw my grin.

When he smiled I realized I'd  
passed it on to him.

I thought about that smile then I  
realized its worth.

A single smile, just like mine  
could travel round the earth.

So, if you feel a smile begin,  
don't leave it undetected.

Let's start and epidemic quick,  
and get the world infected.

Keep the smile going by sending  
this on to a friend.

Everyone needs a smile!!!

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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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 \_\_\_\_\_

### 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!

**5**

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;
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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  
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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

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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

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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.
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