

UNITY IN PERSONAL IDEAL among Native Americans will perhaps become more prevalent through the example of Kateri Tekakwitha. Not only is her lineage a combination of two great North American stocks, the Iroquois and the Algonquian, but her example of courage and unselfishness serves as model for all North American Indians, and, in fact, for Christians of good will everywhere.

UNITY IN SIGN was a mandate from Jesus Christ to his Apostles, when he instructed them at the conclusion of Matthew's Gospel: "Go, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." (Matt; 28:19).

Thus, the Sign of the Cross has been a source of unity for thousands who had tried to Christianize the nations of the world, including the Indian peoples of North America.

It is hoped that the Mohawk Valley, which has been the scene of heroic labors by Christian missionaries and Indians, will be the site of an impressive outdoor cross. Perhaps the combined efforts and talents of Indians and Whites alike will someday produce a majestic reminder not only of the great acts of Christian love and accomplishment of the past, but also tell how these have enriched the Christian life of North America into the present, and, hopefully, for many decades into the future as well.