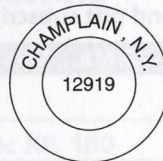


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Aim

1. Our quarterly bulletin, *Kateri*, published by the Kateri Center, intends to help you obtain favors both temporal and spiritual through the intercession of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha. It is hoped her Canonization will thereby be hastened.
2. It aims to increase the number of Kateri's friends and to procure from them at least one daily Hail Mary for her Canonization.
3. It also seeks your donations, for without them practically nothing can be done to make Kateri known and to have the important favors attributed to her intercession examined and approved.

Contents

Each issue of *Kateri* contains:

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

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1. A weekly Mass is offered;
2. A weekly Mass for deceased friends is offered;
3. The Vice-Postulator prays at his daily Mass;
4. The spiritual treasure of the good works of the Society of Jesus is opened;
5. Extra graces are merited by working for Kateri's canonization.

Summer 2006

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Katerigram

About prayer

Prayer as it is said, is a conversation with God. It is to feel His presence and His love. I am His son or daughter and He is the best of Fathers. He expects me to show a lot of gratitude. For me, He is everything: my Creator, my Saviour, my Redeemer, my best friend. Prayer is essentially a part of my life. It can be done with or without words, in a place of worship or in the silence of my heart, even while working. Work must become a form of my prayer.

The Lord wants us to pray for our enemies.. We are then drawn towards God, we experience a change of heart, we see God at work, we feel better emotionally and physically.

Let us pray for healing and hope. This not new. "Prayer inspires hope, and hope changes our immune system", said a psychiatrist.

It is not easy to pray when we are angry, afraid, hurt, but when we do, healing and peace can enter into and proceed from us.

Pray as you can, not as you can't, is a maxim that is frequently overlooked, leading to a lot of unrealistic expectations. Look within, and you will find that you really can pray anywhere and everywhere.

Lord, we know not what we ought to ask of You;

You only know what we need;

You love us better than we know how to love ourselves.

O Father! Give to us, Your children, that which we ourselves know not how to ask. We would have no other desire than to accomplish Your will.

Teach us to pray. Pray Yourself in us.

François Fénélon

Jacques Bruyère, s.j.



The Pierre Assendassé Roll

This influential Mohawk chief was on in years when he became a Christian. Ever after, his life was a love song to Jesus and Mary. Rather than deny them, he did not hesitate to offer his life for them.

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Celebration of the Feast of Kateri at Kahnawaké - April 23

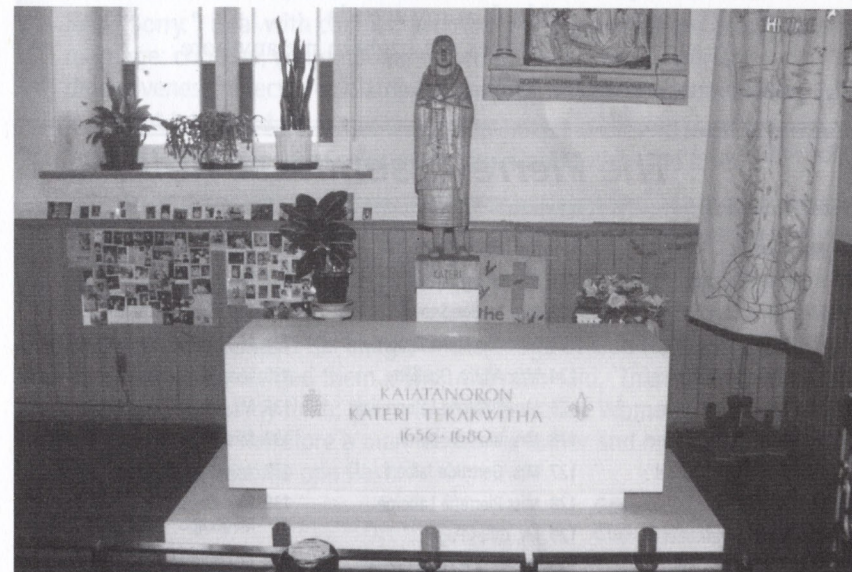
Even though the sky was loaded and the rain cold, the Shrine of Kateri was full with pilgrims from everywhere. The Knights of Columbus and the Daughters of Isabella, in full uniform were more than visible. But the solemnity came from the presence of the local Bishop, Mgr Jacques Berthelet who delivered a very inspiring homily. Since it was the Feast day of Sr Faustima who preached so well about the Divine Mercy, he reminded us that Kateri was a witness of this divine mercy.

"We all know that Kateri suffered a lot to keep her faith and that she answered too much contempt by her prayers. Only the Holy Spirit can inspire us Love for the other in such a way. Only love given us by the Holy Spirit can help us to destroy sin within us and around us."

I am sure that all of us are praying and would be very happy if Kateri would be declared saint. Her holiness would be therefore recognized everywhere in the Church, and she would be a stronger inspiration for all of us to follow her example and live more profoundly our Christian life." During my stay in Rome, very soon, I will surely have the opportunity to recommend Kateri's canonization, but your prayers are also very important in this process."

After Mass, an abundant lunch was served in the K.of C. Hall, thanks to the Knights who collected so much food and had volunteers to serve it. All participants went home satisfied and ever more desirous to see Kateri canonized.

J.B.s.j.



Prayer before my agenda

I opened the book, Lord, which is my agenda

A lot of things are written in it.

Meetings, things to do, important reunions

But what reunion is more important then the one with You my God?

Among things to do, which one is more important then pray?

My agenda often leaves no place for You

However it is your name, which should figure on the first line,
every day, every hour.

My agenda is often so well booked that I lose my breath.

However I know that I would have only
to write your name down on the pages of my days
so that everything is appeased.

Father, grant me the grace
not only to save time for You
but also to recognize You
in the persons that I meet.

Grant me the grace to do everything,
according to the Spirit, according to Love.

If I understand that, my agenda might be
not full, but better filled up.

I will not do more work but I might do it better.

I look at my agenda
and I feel that it does not frighten me anymore.

Thanks Lord!

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What marriage means

Marriage. This union between a man and a woman is one of the most talked about, written about, discussed topics in human history. Books, television shows and movies analyze the phenomenon of what happens when a man and a woman become one.

Each year, approximately 2.3 million weddings occur in the United States; that's approximately 6,400 weddings a day. This coming together—with all its love and its difficulties—means sharing, caring, committing; being loyal, combining strengths, building up, and, above all, staying centered on God.

It matters, according to a team of 13 top scholars on family life, to men, women and children, and to society as a whole. It is also a social good. Marriage is a grand union. What marriage means is really why it matters: what couples do together and are together is what counts. "Our marriage has produced two sons, laughter, anger, joy and enough tears to fill a salt-water aquarium. It's been hard work, much harder than either of us expected."

Since today more than 40 percent of first-time marriages fail, married couples need to understand what it takes to make marriage last.

COMMUNICATE : Tell each other how you feel – honestly.

GET AWAY FROM "you" and "me." Work on making "us".

SAY "Sorry." Deal with conflict, avoiding the things that are deadly to a marriage: criticism, contempt expressed in sarcasm and cynicism, defensiveness reflected in blaming the other person, and stonewalling with the silent treatment.

TAKE a team approach. Seek support from each other and from a community of couples.

DON'T FORGET the "Third Party." Recognize God's great love for you—no matter what—and mirror that concept in your marriage. Respect each other. Pray together.

God created humankind in His image, in the image of God He created them; male and female He created them... Then the man said, 'This at last is bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called Woman for out of Man this one was taken.' Therefore a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.

Genesis: 27 ; 2 : 23-24.
Chevaliers de Colomb

The relics of Blessed... Kateri Tekakwitha

In the autumn 1684, the body of Kateri Tekakwitha was removed from the cemetery and brought into the church. The transfer was accomplished during the night and in the presence of the most devout. When the Mission of Saint Francis Xavier was displaced from the Sault to Montreal, Kahnawakon, Kanatawenke and Kahnawake, her relics were brought with them.

The relics were always kept in a sacred chest of carefully polished wood in the sacristy of the Mission of Saint Francis Xavier, in Kahnawake. Her bone relics were privately venerated next to the sacristy of the Mission. About late in the 1940's, or early in the 1950's her relics were sealed under a glass plate in this sacred chest.

In 1972, the Daughters of Isabella from Kahnawake had donated a Carrara marble tomb for her precious bone relics. On Wednesday November 1, 1972, Bishop Coderre presided at the placing of the sacred chest with her relics in a metal case and then within the marble tomb. The tomb is at the right transept of the Mission of Saint Francis Xavier. On Sunday December 17, 1972, he solemnly blessed her tomb. Inscribed on her tomb is, KAIATANORON KATERI TEKAKWITHA, meaning "Blessed, Precious and Dear Kateri Tekakwitha."

The tomb is 6 feet in length, 2 feet wide and 2 feet in height. The bone relics of Kateri Tekakwitha in her tomb are her right and left lower half of the femurs, her right and left tibias, her right and left humerus, her left iliac bone, a lower rib and her right upper femur. These are the bones seen from a picture taken of the relics in 1972. These relics are truly the bones of Kateri Tekakwitha, because small bone relics were taken from these and miraculous cures have been performed. The bone relics that are left of Kateri Tekakwitha, would have us believe that she was small in stature and there is mention in Father Pierre Cholenec narration of her life that "Kateri was small and walked with a limp, because of her foot."

In 1755, the Mission of Sainr Regis was established in Akwesasne and a log Chapel was built in 1760. The Mission Pastor, Jesuit Marc Antoine Gordan brought a precious treasure of the remains of Kateri Tekakwitha to the Mission of Saint Regis, which was her skull. Before February 2, 1763, this portion of her relic was lost in the fire when the Chapel was burnt, or disappeared at the time of the burning of the Chapel.

suite...

The relics of Blessed... Kateri Tekakwitha following...

The bone relics that have been lost were most probably taken for cures. They would apply the bone relics on the sick and perhaps some of her relics with permission of the Superior of the Mission. Before 1713, it was recounted that a Sister at the Congregation of Notre-Dame in Montreal was very sick and suffering pain on her side. A Father of the Mission of the Sault had sent a tooth of Kateri and a plate from which she ate. The Sister put the tooth in her mouth and drank from the plate, and was cured. Thus, body relics of Kateri were already being taken from her about at least thirty years after her death. Also, a person afflicted with smallpox was cured after taking some of the wood of the coffin. A relic of her front layer of the body sternum, measuring 6.4 cm in length and 3.8 cm in width, is presently in a section of the Archives reserved for relics at the residence of the Bishop of Chicoutimi, Quebec.

Father Superior Oblate Nicolas Burtin of the Mission of Saint Francis Xavier from 1864 to 1892, gave this relic to Bishop Dominic Racine, the first Bishop of Chicoutimi. The Kateri Centre in Kahnawake has two bone relics of Kateri Tekakwitha. One of the two relics is a part of a left middle rib bone measuring about 8.5 cm in length and about 1.2 cm in width, and are seen two dry blood stains next to each other on her rib measuring in diameter about 0.2 cm and 0.3 cm.

THE SUPERLATIVES

The greatest handicap - fear
The nicest day - today
The easiest thing - to err
The greatest error - to abandon
The greatest defect - selfishness
The greatest distraction - work
The worse bankruptcy - discouragement
The greatest need - common sense
The basest sentiment - jealousy
The greatest gift - pardon
The most beautiful thing in the world - love
The greatest miracle - God.

Looking for A GIFT

I covered a distance of several kilometers in order to find the perfect gift for my child. After two long evenings, tired, I thought of asking him what he wanted. Here's a list of the gifts that he suggested to me:

I'd like to be Felix, my little cat, to be in your arms every time you come back home from your work...

I'd like to be a ballad signer, to feel at times listened by you two, without any distraction, having but my words close to your ears, humming the echo of my solitude...

I'd like to be a newspaper so you can take a little time every day to ask me my news...

I'd like to be a T.V. set not to go to sleep every night, without having been looked at with interest...

I'd like to be a hockey team for you, papa, so as to see you excited "Bit with joy after very one of my victories, and a novel for you, mama, so you can read my emotions...

Thinking it right, I'd like but one thing, a gift priceless for you. Don't buy me anything. Just let me only feel that I am your child...

Jokes...

EVEN GOD IGNORES

It is said that there are five things ignored by God: what a Benedictine knows, what will a Franciscan say when he goes up the pulpit, what has said a Dominican when he comes down, the exact number of feminine religious congregations... and what a Jesuit thinks!

ON THE PHONE

- I'd like to reserve two standing places.
- We don't have standing places.
- Am I calling the National Theatre ?
- No, Sir, this is the Funeral Parlor.

All called to shine

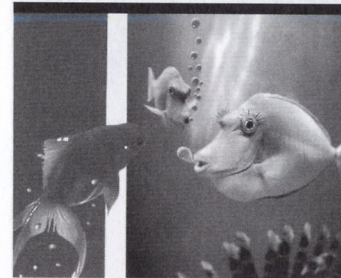
Our greatest fear is not
that we will be inadequate.
Our fear, the deepest,
Is that we will be powerful
Surpassing what is measurable.
It's our light, not our obscurity
That frightens us most.

We ask ourselves:
Who am I to shine,
marvelous, talented, fabulous?
In fact who are you
not to be?
You are a child of God (...)

We are born to manifest
the glory of God, which is in us.

It is not the lot of a few
It's the lot of everyone
And when we let
Our own light shine,
We give to others
without knowing it
the possibility of doing the same.

Nelson Mandela



The World from the angle of the Creator

God, who surpasses us infinitely, has many things to teach me. There is another life in an another invisible world and without comparison much nicer and active than the physical cosmos. It's only in this other world that our hearts can be satisfied, our bodies and spirits also, because we look for a life without death and without suffering, neither of the body, of the heart and of the spirit. A Life of total happiness, in an eternity, in a Kingdom where reigns the power of Almighty. In a word: we want to enjoy the innumerable privileges that God only can give his creatures.

It would be a God Creator really small and limited who would have created the Earth with a living population! From a trembling of my will, starting from nothing, I created innumerable worlds and I have projected them, luminous dust, in the immensity of the firmament. The Earth, of which you are so ferociously proud, is but a grain of dust whirling in the infinite, and if it is not the largest, it is certainly the most corrupted. Lives and lives swarm in the millions of worlds, which make the joy of your sight in the serene nights, and the perfection of God will be manifest when you can see the marvel of these worlds with the intellectual sight of your spirit when it will be again united to God.

Assumption ...



Looking for peace?...

... the April 15

Mother of sweetness

Mother of sweetness and tenderness
with my the confidence of a child
I come to contemplate you,
with the eyes of my body
with the eyes of my faith
because they are the ones who make me reach you.

Mother of sweetness and tenderness
You carry your child with love:
thus you also carry me
Because I am one of your children;
Mother of sweetness and tenderness
you show to the world your infant:
to me too, you ask to show him to others.

Mother of sweetness and tenderness,
I wish to reach by my prayers
All those who take time
To contemplate you.
Tender mother,
May your maternal protection
invade us;
May your tender gestures help us
to show ourselves tender
towards all those that we meet.

A young girl
(Revue Prier may 2002)

The Blessed Kateri Tékakwitha - 1656-1680

by P. Henri Béchard s.j.

(...following)

The Praying Village

It is difficult to portray Kateri's joy on entering the village of the praying Indians. The deep fervor of these converts delighted the heart of the young woman. Her sister's welcome and that of Anastasia Tegonhatsiongo, mistress of her long house and former friend of her mother, made her feel that she was not a stranger, but that she was truly at home. For their part, the missionaries did not forget that they had a "treasure" to care for. She already knew two of the three Jesuits, Fathers Jacques Fremin and Pierre Cholenec, whom she had taken care of during their brief stay at Gandaouague in 1666. Father Claude Chauchetiere, her first biographer, was the third priest stationed at the mission. The superior charged Father Cholenec with the spiritual direction of Kateri. After baptizing an adult, it was the custom of the missionaries to have wait several years before giving him Holy Communion. Her director, as soon as he became better acquainted with the newcomer, decided that she should receive her First Communion on Christmas Day, 1677.

An American writer, Daniel Sargent, gave us the profound signification of this communion:

"Yet even then it must be acknowledged that the Iroquois had been longing very particularly for Holy Communion. The very mirages they had followed showed them famished for it. They had always tried to raise themselves higher than they were by joining themselves somehow to sufferings. And here were the sufferings of Christ with which they could unite themselves. Also the Iroquois had been tormented with the desire of girding themselves into a single body, which was greater than the sum of them all as individuals. In all their wars they had, like most imperialists, fought for an ultimate peace to be enjoyed in the unity of a longhouse which was the Long-House."

"The union with God, with the splendor of the saints, and with the heroism and weaknesses of the Church Militant, made possible by the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, was the very thing for which all their wars had been fought, and all their dreams had been dreamed."

Now Kateri, without clearly grasping all these implications, felt them sufficiently to prepare herself as well as possible for this encounter with Christ. According to Father Chauchetiere, her motto was, "Who will teach me what is most agreeable to God so that I may do it?" She lived up to this motto not only for a few months after her First Communion, but until the moment of her death.



The Blessed Kateri Tékakwitha - 1656-1680

Jansenist Arnould spoke of the Real Absence of Christians before the real Presence of Christ in the Blessed Sacrament. Such was not the case at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier. The humble bark church nearly became her home. She came to pray at four o'clock in the morning, attended the first Mass at the break of dawn, and another at sunrise. Several times during the day she could be found in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. She never missed evening prayer with the other faithful, and remained in church long after everyone had left. The weight of her love carried her to the tabernacle.

Her prayer was far more interior than vocal — an unceasing flow of love. Even so, the missionaries asserted that she did not use her praying as an excuse not to work. She was not one of those sanctimonious persons, more common in her day than in ours, who were at church when they should have been doing their housework.

At the end of the week, she examined her conscience with great care, did penance for her failings and went to confession.

When the moment came for her to receive our Lord for the first time, on Christmas Day 1677, Kateri was not simply a young Iroquois of exquisite purity; that day she realized the destiny of her race. Good though she was until then, from that morning on, she advanced with giant steps on the road to holiness, thinking herself all the while a very ordinary Christian.

(to be continued)

Kateri speaks to us...

Birth: 1656. Smallpox : 1860. First communion: 1676.
Flight to La Prairie: 1687. Death: April 1st, 1680

"Who will teach me what is most agreeable to God such as I could do it."

"My Jesus, I must suffer with you."

"I am extremely touched by the three nails that attached our Lord to the cross. However they are a symbol of my sins."

"Jesus, I love you, Jesus, I love you, Jesus, I love you."

"I have no other spouse, but Jesus Christ. I have considered myself content to live in poverty and misery for His love."

"If an innocent girl such conducts herself, what should not a sinner like myself do!"

"How much I want that everyone of our lodge should love and rely upon the cross as I did!"

"It is in us that God wants to take up His dwelling place. our souls are the temples that are most agreeable to God."

"The poverty when that threatens me does not scare me."

"Go and tell the Father that I am going to Heaven."

"Look, look, how beautiful the Cross is."

"I'm in heaven and I realize that the Cross is more beautiful than ever."

"On her death bed, her last words: Jesus, Mary, I..."



Kateri Tekakwitha

Mother's Day - May 14th

Thank you, dear Lord, for our mothers
 Who were brave enough to give birth
 Who loved through many growing-up years
 Who taught about God and love and being good
 Who often got no thanks
 Whose ears could hear the slightest cry
 Whose eyes didn't miss much either
 Whose hands held and bathed and picked up
 Whose heart was often broken
 Who always forgave and forgot
 Who encouraged when things went bad
 Who always had time to listen
 Who worked so hard to make things go
 Who make the world so much better
 Who deserve our love on Mother's Day
 And Every day
 Even for eternity. Amen.

Anonymous

A FATHER'S PRAYER

Father's Day - June 18th

Our Father who art in heaven I am a father on earth.	disappointment, hurt, excitement, joy and love.
You have given me this gift and responsibility.	Let me be firm without dominating them.
Grant me the wisdom to carry it out.	Let me be sensitive to their feelings without trying to change them.
Let my fatherhood be one of encouragement and support, not of expectations and control.	Let me be there for them when they need me and get out of their way when they don't.
Let me protect my children, but not too much; advise them but not too little.	Let me offer them the roots of belonging and the wings of freedom.
Let me respect them as individuals, not as extensions of myself.	Help me, Father in heaven, to be a father on earth.
Let me be honest about my feelings toward them—including my anger,	

Adolfo Quezad

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Thank you! Thank you!

After Kateri's Feast day Celebration more people have to be thankful to the Knights of Columbus, the Daughters of Isabella, to Mrs Anne Scheuerman our faithful Kateri's photographer, to the Mixed Choir with his organist, to the Knights again for their copious and delicious lunch.

Thanks to Sr Yolande Ethier C.N.D. who came all the way from Pointe aux-Trembles to receive the Kateri Award. Her presence meant so much to the Kateri Center.

Pilgrimages

The good weather is back, so you are invited to Kateri's Shrine. Please first contact Kathy Deer at the rectory: (450) 632-6030., so you can be guided with information.

Prayers wanted

For Fr. John Parets, Vice-Postulator of Kateri's Cause in the U.S. who had to leave Auriesville for the hospital in Fordham University. He has been director of the Shrine since many years.

R.I.P. – Went to the Lord, on March 28 from Oka, Jeanne d'Arc Gaspe. All her life she devoted herself to promote the Cause of Kateri. The funeral was held on April 3 at the Church of the Annunciation in Oka.

BEFORE

The cross was a wooden one and was lit at night, till Mr. Michel Donais noticed the decaying wood and with three parishioners Jean-Guy Lavoie, Camille Dionne and Yves Roquebrune replaced it with a stainless steel one, 10,000 thanks for the gift.



AFTER

This tomb was erected at the very place where Kateri was buried, in 1680. since then, many miracles have been recorded to have happened there.



Testimonies of favors obtained

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. M.F.!

Thank you to Blessed Kateri! My husband had cancerous growths on his head for many years. Now the doctor says they are all gone. I am enclosing twenty-five dollars with my heartfelt gratitude. (Parker, CO)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss C.B.!

Often I turn to Kateri to intercede for me when I am in need and lately when I misplaced a folder containing some important cards with personal information she helped me to calm down, search carefully and find the missing items. I am so thankful... (St. Catharines, ON)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. W.M.!

Mother is doing well thanks to Our Lord's grace and the intercession of Blessed Kateri. I've enclosed a forty dollar check as a Lenten gift to the Mission. Please pray for my health and my mother's continued recovery. Thanks. (Bronx, NY)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. G.B.!

Thank you very much Blessed Kateri for listening to our prayers and saving my husband from a prostrate problem, which could have been serious. Enclosed is a small donation. (Montreal, QC)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. R.A.!

I give glory to God for allowing the petitions of my saint friends. My daughter gave birth to a healthy baby boy in December, a birth free from complications. I have been good friend with Kateri for many years. She is a powerful intercessor! I thank Kateri for all the favors she had helped me receive from God. Thanks Kateri. (Saint Marys, PA)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A.C.!

Enclosed is a fifty-dollar donation as promised to the Cause of Blessed Kateri for answering my prayers to help me with financial problems and cures. I pray to her every day. Now I am praying for help to find two important items. (Baltimore, MD)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. and Mrs. B.H.!

Please accept this little donation for a favor asked of Blessed Kateri. My husband and I were both sick with this flu virus and we are now so much better. Please pray for our family... (New Minas, NS)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. A.K.!

Enclosed is a check for twenty-five dollars as an offering to Kateri. My wife's eyes were losing their sight due to cataracts. In October of 2005 she had left eye cataract surgery and in January of 2006 she had right eye cataract surgery. She got her new eyeglasses two days ago and sees well now out of both eyes. I have been praying to Kateri to heal her eyes and it appears my prayers have been answered. God bless you! (Amsterdam, NY)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mr. D.D.!

I am enclosing a cheque for thirty dollars; please take five dollars for my yearly subscription. In the spring 2006 issue of Kateri I noticed a key chain on page 17. I would really like one, not for my keys but to hang on my sun visor where I can see it whenever I drive. I've had another clip-on one and it traveled wherever we went. Last July we had a terrible head-on accident and we survived although we had fairly bad injuries. The young lady in the other car will heal too. My neck had cracked vertebrae and I was in a brace for three months. I'm fine now, I've been a strong person for years and I'm doing O.K. My dear husband of fifty-three years was the driver and he had broken his leg in several places from the knee down and

❖ broken ribs. He is slowly healing but at 81 it takes a lot... When our son went to clear out our van after the accident, the last thing he saw was Kateri hanging from the sun visor and told his wife, "we must take that, mom has traveled for years with Kateri." Thank you Kateri, I pray to you so often... (Chalk River, ON)

Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. D.H.!

Please accept this small donation I promised Blessed Kateri if our son and his wife got back together. They have two beautiful girls and now everyone is happy, thanks to Blessed Kateri. (New Minas, NS)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. C.D.!

Enclosed is a check of sixty dollars for Kateri Cause. Sincere thanks to Kateri who helped me sell my house and purchase another one within a week. I pray to her every day. (Ottawa, ON)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. I.S.!

I'm sending a donation of twenty-five dollars to thank Blessed Kateri for a favor obtained. I continue to pray her and keep her in my heart. Many thanks for a favor obtained and to have good health with a smile. (Gaspé Nord, QC)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.O.!

I'm sending an enrollment for one year for Mrs. G. and the rest for the protection of our family, also to thank good Kateri because our second granddaughter found employment as a permanent teacher immediately after her studies, thanks to Kateri. (Edmundton, NB)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Miss F.H.!

Thanks to Kateri. It with joy that I send you this small ten dollars donation for a favor obtained. I finally received the survivor's pension, which I did not expect to receive. It will help me to live a happy life. It will be a real security until the end of my days. A happy semi-retired. (Montreal, QC)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A.G.!

Thanks to Kateri - this dear good Kateri - for having helped us, my son and I, when we needed her. (LaPrairie, QC)

❖ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. P.M.!

I'm sending you a check of twenty dollars. Ten dollars for subscriptions and ten dollars as promised to obtain good results from an exam (no cancer). Thanks to Kateri. (Biddeford, ME)

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 _____

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Lakota Prayer for our Family

GRANDFATHER and GREAT SPIRIT,
We, as Common People;
Humbly reach out to you, at this break of day,
We thank you for this new and sacred day,
We thank you for this new and sacred life and,
we understand this.
We thank you for giving us these things and,
we praise you.

GRANDFATHER and GREAT SPIRIT,
We ask you to give us direction today,
and provide for our needs,
as you are the ONE,
that understands and knows
our needs and, you can guide us.

TODAY,
We pray for those who are mourning,
and we ask that you give them comfort.
We pray for our deceased relatives that
you have given them a place of rest, and th
and that they be happy with their relatives

GRANDFATHER and GREAT SPIRIT,
as we walk through this day,
you understand and know everything
and we ask for your protection,
blessing, good health and happiness.

HELP US! And let us not
forget our kinship,
by loving each other in our
daily walk in life.

LET US NOT FALTER in walking the
Lakota way of life with our children
throughout this day.

Grandfather and Great Spirit,
I humbly ask that you answer
our prayers. HELP US!
Throughout the country,
in hospitals and those that need you.
Answer their prayers.



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

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Box 70
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1. Mat silver-plated: 50¢
2. Souvenir Spoons: \$ 4.00

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

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

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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

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A sheet of 36 seals: \$ 1.00

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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 ☐ _____

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