

THE LILY OF

*Fairest flower that ever*



THE MOHAWKS

*bloomed among true men*

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Merry Christmas  
to All Friends of the League and Clients of  
Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha  
from the Vice-Postulator and The Staff

### In Memoriam

On Friday, November 30, a special Requiem Mass was celebrated by Father Coffey for the soul of the late Father John J. Wynne, S.J., who died just three years ago. Father Wynne was largely responsible for the canonization of the North American Martyrs in 1930, and was until his death V. Postulator for the Cause of Venerable Tekakwitha. The Mass, attended by the League staff, and the staff of the Gilmary Society, was offered in Our Lady's Chapel at the College of St. Francis Xavier, Manhattan.

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## PHYSICAL RELIEF

"I wanted to tell you that Kateri has answered my prayers and helped me when I was beyond help by medical science. Since the birth of my baby two years ago I developed an almost fatal kidney disease. I could not be helped too much by drugs as I build up immunity against them. September a year ago both of my kidneys were operated on in an effort to save them and clear up the infection. Well, after this operation I was in and out of the hospital several times and kept getting worse and worse. Last May I was rushed to the hospital and was in severe pain. One kidney was removed, adhesions fixed and a large stone taken out. After the operation I was in the hospital nine days and was sent home. After that I was in severe pain all the time and I had X-rays and tests taken; nothing could be found. I went from one doctor to another and they couldn't find out what was the matter. I was getting worse and worse and had no money for any more doctors and no one to care for my three small children. I wrote a Monsignor and asked him to help me. He sent me a pamphlet on the Lily of the Mohawks. I did not have the novena or special prayers to say to her, but said a Rosary every day to her and on the third day all my pain had disappeared. I phoned my doctor and told him and he said that a miracle had happened and that it was a wonderful thing to happen to me. I have been well enough since then to go out and look for a job. I got a job and passed a very stiff physical examination and started to work. I am still offering a Rosary every day to Kateri and will continue to do so to show my gratitude."

—Chester, Pa.

"A patient came to the hospital in January with an infected toe. Being a diabetic the toe would not heal in spite of the Masses said and a novena made in honor of the Lily of the Mohawks. It was then decided by the doctor to have the bad toe removed. But

matters became worse; other toes became infected as a result of the operation. Another novena was made and the doctor decided to cut off the leg above the knee. In ten days the big wound healed nicely, the stitches were removed, and now as an amputee he is walking on crutches healthy and happy. Many thanks to Kateri Tekakwitha. Out of gratitude a novena of thanksgiving was made."

—Pasco, Wash.

"Enclosed please find a small offering for favor granted through the intercession of Venerable Tekakwitha. A sore came on my lip. I tried all kinds of salves, anything my friends recommended, but it would not heal. In desperation I prayed to Kateri, and in a short time it was gone."

—Philadelphia, Pa.

## RESTORED TO HEALTH

"I am enclosing an offering for which have a Mass said in honor of Venerable Tekakwitha in thanksgiving for her intercession and help. Sometime ago I was seriously ill and needed a major operation, but was uncertain as to whether or not my heart could stand this additional shock. I prayed faithfully to Kateri to intercede with our Divine Lord. I am happy to report that the operation was a success, my recovery rapid to the amazement of my doctor, and I am enjoying good health."

—Linden, N. J.

"Enclosed find an offering in thanksgiving for the many favors I have received from Tekakwitha, especially for the last favor. I had very severe pains in my head and neck, and after praying to little Kateri the pains left me."

—Wilmington, Del.

"Enclosed find an offering for Venerable Tekakwitha's Cause in thanksgiving for an instant cure of stomach flu. When her relic picture was applied I immediately was relieved after four days of intense suffering."

—Chicago, Ill.



"Enclosed find a little offering to further the Cause of Kateri, and to spread devotion to her. I am indebted to her for a very special favor. I feel that she was quite instrumental in restoring my health. Thanks to God and His saints from whom all blessings flow."

—Williamsburg, Kan.

#### A REAL BLESSING

"For a long time my husband and I had prayed fervently that God would bless our marriage with children. As time passed there seemed to be little hope of an answer. It was at that time that we read in *Our Sunday Visitor* about the help obtained through Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha in cases similar to our own. We began our intercession to her, promising that if she gained us the favor we asked we would do all we could to increase devotion to her. In a surprisingly short time our prayers were answered and we are now awaiting the birth of our first child. To help us to keep our part of the promise will you please send us four dozen leaflets."

—Epping, N. D.

#### DISTRESS RELIEVED

"On June 18 my sister visited the doctor and was told to go to the hospital for an examination under an anesthetic. It was a cancer test. My sister was shocked. She visited two other doctors. One recommended the same test, the other one said she would have to have the test if the symptoms reappeared. We started to pray to Catherine Tekakwitha on June 18, and prayed to Our Blessed Mother to act as intermediary for Catherine. On August 15 my sister decided to enter the hospital. She was almost in shock for fear of the outcome. Her pulse was 100 before she entered the operating room. I met the doctor later and these were her words, 'I can find no evidence of cancer.' I feel with my sister this was a wonderful answer to our prayers. I promised to send this offering to hasten the Cause of Kateri's canonization."

—Chicago, Ill.

"Enclosed please find a small offering in thanksgiving for a favor received through the intercession of Katherine Tekakwitha. Two years ago I sent a valuable package to Poland containing a chalice and everything necessary for saying Holy Mass. After much praying and no word of any kind as to the package, a thought came to me to implore Tekakwitha. I sincerely believe that the Blessed Mother in whose care I had entrusted the precious parcel and Tekakwitha saw to it that it reached just in time for my nephew's ordination. He used it for his first Holy Mass. My heartfelt thanks to Our Heavenly Queen and Tekakwitha."—Notre Dame, Ind.

#### FINANCIAL AID

"About five years ago I made a novena to Kateri for quite a large sum of money. It seemed impossible to get it, but she got it for me. I've promised her that I would have it published and thank her publicly, but never got around to it. I'm ashamed to have waited this long, but am still thankful."

—Toledo, O.

"During a period of financial difficulties my good neighbor gave me a leaflet of this novena and through prayers to Kateri Tekakwitha our situation was improved."

—Philadelphia, Pa.

"Another small offering to further little Kateri's Cause. She is certainly giving me financial help you may say in a miraculous way."

—Beaumont, Tex.

#### EMPLOYMENT

"I am writing to send a small offering for the Tekakwitha Cause. It is in response to a request God has granted me through her intercession. I am a student who depends on a summer job to fill my needs through school. Tekakwitha has helped me find the job."

—Kansas City, Mo.

"Here is a small donation I promised if I got a job with a decent paying salary so that my son and I may be able to live decently instead of existing as we have in the past. Catherine Tekakwitha is really wonderful. I am ever so grateful." —Kingston, Pa.

## HOUSING

"I am enclosing a thank offering to be used in furthering the Cause of Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha. She helped us find at least a temporary home for a D.P. mother and child whom we brought from Europe. When we began our prayers, the prospect of finding a place for her seemed hopeless. Now she may live with a very grand lady who will do much to help her learn our ways and adjust herself and baby to the American way of life." —Andale, Kan.

"The enclosed is in thanksgiving to little Catherine for having found us a very nice little home to live in." —Laredo, Tex.

## ROOMS RENTED

"Enclosed please find an offering for Holy Mass in honor of Kateri Tekakwitha — she worked another miracle for me. I am a mother with three small children. I had a room for rent. I had just completed cleaning it. I did not even advertise for rent, but I promised Kateri should she find me a nice tenant I would publish it and have a Mass said in her honor. She found a nice Catholic man." —Aurora, Ill.

## MORE THAN ONE

"I am enclosing an offering as the following favors were granted through the intercession of Venerable Tekakwitha: mouth healed; X-ray favorable; Reverend Father restored to health; a niece recovered from a ruptured appendix operation when all hope for her recovery was given up. We are most grateful." —Mankato, Minn.

## ADDITIONAL FAVORS

Cures .....	6	Relief in Distress .....	17
Apartments .....	1	Safe Delivery .....	2
Employment .....	5	Sale of Property .....	1
Examination Success .....	2	Spiritual .....	1
Financial Aid .....	9	Not Specified .....	102

## PETITIONS

Cures .....	10	Financial Aid .....	6
Apartments .....	3	Relief in Distress .....	18
Employment .....	10	Not Specified .....	87

## Obituary

Most Rev. Patrick A. McGovern, Cheyenne, Wyo.  
 Most Rev. Vincent J. Ryan, Bismarck, N. D.  
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