

LITANY OF BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA

Creator of heaven and earth:

help us to be open to Your Word.

Redeemer of all: take our hands in Yours.

Spirit of love: show us the way.

Lord of mercy:

hear us and be good to us.

Kateri, lily of the Mohawks, flower of Native Americans: you knew that ravens need not be eagles; all are good in God's eyes.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, Tekakwitha, advocate for persons with low vision: you were named for your poor eyesight; your vision was the wisdom to focus on God.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, Little Sunshine, cheerful even in harsh times: your scars were erased by your smile; you brought warmth and light to the young, elderly and sick.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, delicate wood rose, model of simplicity: you delighted in the small things in life.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, ever-green cedar, joyful in hope: you looked to the promise of dawn, the calm between storms, the call during silence, the spring after winter.

Pray for us and show us the way.







Kateri, shy summer thrush, a new song for the Lord: you showed us that each of us has a song, and it is good if we sing it.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, bright autumn maple leaf, you accepted change: you took the risk to reach out to God and to others.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, strong winter oak, sturdy in suffering: you embraced the cross to bring healing to a hopeless world.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, white *spring* trillium, living each day to the fullest: you were aware that every moment reveals Christ's presence in our lives.

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Kateri, vulnerable fawn, blameless victim: you forgave those who persecuted you just as Jesus forgives each of us.

Pray for us and show us the way.

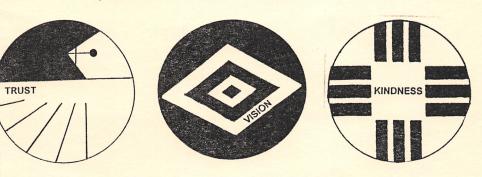
Kateri, tiny blue forget-me-not, humble servant: you saw everyone, no matter how small, as special in God's eyes.

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Kateri, trembling aspen leaf, prayerful listener: you heard God's voice in the child's cry, in the elder's whisper, in the bird's call, in the brook's song—and in stillness.

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Kateri, watchful partridge, filled with trust: you placed yourself always in the shelter of God's wings. Pray for us and show us the way.



Kateri, sparkling snowflake, quiet affirmation: as your beloved Mary, you said "yes" to the call of the Spirit.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, singing brook, immersed in the circle of life: you faced rough waters with faith and courage on your journey to God.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, woodland pathfinder, seeker of truth: you found happiness along the trail by finding flowers among rocks.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, persistent berry picker, thankful for fruit amid the thorns: you taught us that work and an attitude of gratitude are the rich harvests of life.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, mountaintop meadow, dreamer and do-er: you believed that miracles do happen, if we watch and pray – and care.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, gentle quail, ever with a song in your heart: you were free because you put your life into the hands of Jesus and Mary.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, golden moccasin flower, patroness of ecology: you teach us that appreciation for nature leads to respect for Mother Earth.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Kateri, precious gemstone, treasure of all Christians: you were filled with wonder at the mystery of life.

Pray for us and show us the way.

Lord, Your Word gives us hope: guide us in Your way.

Lord, Your Word consoles us: have mercy on us.

Lord, Your Word gives us joy: grant us peace.