



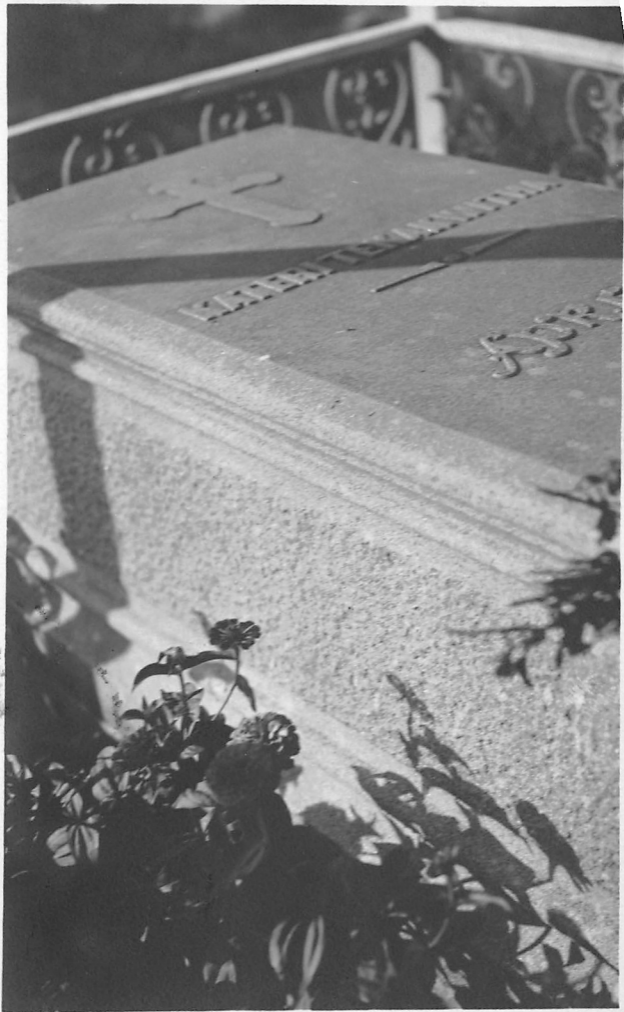
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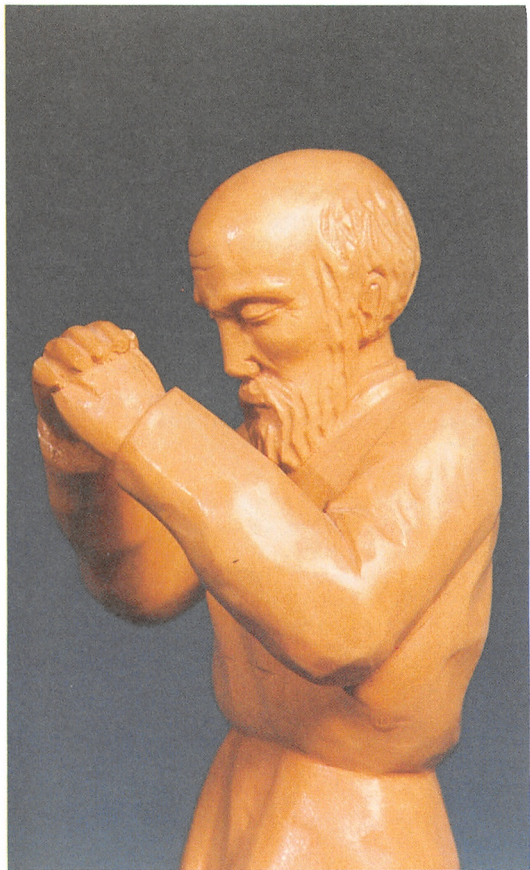


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PRIÈRE

S eigneur notre Dieu, Tu as accompli des merveilles par ton serviteur, le Père Pierre-Joseph-Marie Chaumonot.

Baptisé dans un humble village de France, guéri et converti par Notre-Dame à Lorette, tu as fait de lui un ardent missionnaire, compagnon de nos saints Martyrs Canadiens. Tu l'as animé du même amour pour annoncer la Bonne Nouvelle à tous, les faire vivre dans la Paix, et fonder l'Église chez les Amérindiens.

Par son intercession, accorde-nous d'abondantes faveurs. En espérant l'introduction de sa cause de Béatification, donne à ton Église ce remarquable exemple pour notre temps.

Que sa dévotion à la Sainte Famille nous aide à valoriser la cellule familiale. Qu'il soit une lumière pour les jeunes, un guide pour les pasteurs et les laïcs au service de l'Église. Qu'il inspire les personnes consacrées et nos communautés chrétiennes. Ainsi ton Fils Jésus sera davantage connu, aimé et glorifié dans le monde d'aujourd'hui. Amen.

Imprimatur :

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Say a Prayer for
the Canonization of
Ven. Kateri
Tekakwitha

1656 - 1680



PRAYER



For The Canonization of Ven. Kateri Tekakwitha

O God, who, among the manifold marvels of Your Grace in the New World, did cause to blossom on the banks of the Mohawk and of the St. Lawrence, the pure and tender Lily, Kateri Tekakwitha, grant we beseech You, the favor we beg through her intercession; that this Little Lover of Jesus and of His Cross may soon be raised to the honors of the altar by Holy Mother Church, and that our hearts may be enkindled with a stronger desire to imitate her innocence and faith. Through the same Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Our Father and Hail Mary
once, and Glory be to the
Father, three times.

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† Most Reverend Edmund F. Gibbons, D.D.

NATIONAL KATERI CENTER

Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha League
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THE favors recorded in this leaflet are mostly remarkable cures, and but a few of the hundreds reported. The reports are enthusiastic.

Knowledge of Tekakwitha inspires enthusiasm. It has inspired those in Rome who are examining the testimony and the documents submitted to bring about her canonization.

The petition addressed by our bishops and clergy at the National Eucharistic Congress in favor of the consideration of the Cause for Kateri's Beatification made a profound impression on the Holy Father, who is well acquainted with her life and virtues and keenly interested in the efforts to have her declared a Saint.

Evidence of a widespread belief in her holiness has great weight with those who will pass judgment on it.

It is worth-while, therefore, doing all one can for the canonization of this Indian maiden, America's own native Saint of the Wildwood.

Repeat daily the prayer under her picture. Make her known to your friends by distributing some of the articles mentioned below. They will bless you for learning about this extraordinary source of many blessings. If you prefer, send us their names with a slight offering to meet the expense of printing, postage, etc., and we shall make her known. For this purpose there are:

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I.

KATERI (Catherine) TEKAKWITHA

“Lily of the Mohawks”



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Born 1656

at the Mohawk Village Ossernenon
now Auriesville, New York

Died 1680

Caughnawaga, Canada



Prayer for her Canonization and for Special Favors

O GOD, Who didst wonderfully protect the innocence of Thy Servant Catherine, and bestow on her the gift of faith and spirit of penance, grant that all who invoke her may obtain what they desire, and I also the blessing I humbly beg; so that her favor with Thee may be known to all, and she may be exalted to the honor of our altars, as among the Blessed in Heaven. Amen. *Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father.*

Imprimatur ✦ PATRICK CARDINAL HAYES

Favors attributed to the intercession of Tekakwitha

Abbreviated here; see Life, by Wynne, for details, page 4

A clear case of cure of carcinoma of malignant type.

An unexpected cure of hip joint disease attested by a Protestant physician. —T. H.

A remarkable recovery from peritonitis after a ruptured appendix, the patient at the time unbaptized.

I have had asthma for years, and I feel sure Catherine has effected a cure. —Sr. M. E.

A very close friend of mine has had a wonderful cure (gangrenous foot) through prayer to Tekakwitha. —Rev. Alfred E. Scully.

After a novena in her honor, I was restored to health from tuberculosis, which doctors had pronounced incurable. —Sr. M. C.

I wish to announce three remarkable recoveries through the intercession of Kateri, "The Little Flower of the Mohawks." —Rev. Patrick A. Reilly.

One half hour after Kateri's relic was applied to an infant who could retain no food the intestinal obstruction was removed. —Mrs. C., Dr. C.

Twice I was restored from an illness usually considered fatal, agranulocytic angina, by application of the relic of Kateri and am now practising medicine. —V. A. Nowicki, M.D.

A former Provincial of a Religious Congregation writes that he was relieved of stones in the kidney after an operation, which to all appearances had failed. —(Ed.)

Our Sister, ever since she began to wear the reliquary you sent her, is now going around the same as ever. She was given up as incurable. —Sr. M. H.

My nephew was in an automobile accident and was in a delirious condition for 49 days. Doctors had very little hope for him. All the family prayed. He is now well. Catherine did it. —E. S.

Mrs. E. H., whose son had an acute attack of endocarditis, resulting in leakage of the valves of the heart, wishes me to inform you that he has completely recovered. —Sr. M. R.

After being in a serious condition for seven weeks, with cerebro-spinal meningitis, and the doctors giving up all hopes of my recovery, I am now back to normal health.—R. W. McG.

I was given up for death after an operation, but relief came and I have since improved. My doctor signed this report and is sure no one but Catherine is responsible. —Sr. M. H.

The cure of an Indian woman at Shishigwaning, Manitoulin, of mouth ulcers of an incurable type reported by a Jesuit missionary (formerly a physician) as a result of the application of a relic of Kateri.

My grandson had a congenital affection of the stomach which seemed impossible to relieve. I gave him your relic. Since then he has improved marvelously, and has great devotion to his Indian Saint. —Mrs. E. J. McG.

Facing a semi-monthly (hospital) payroll of \$10,000 with only \$200 October 23, I asked the staff to make a Novena to Catherine asking for the payroll by October 31. She sent \$10,000 and \$6,000 more. —Sr. M. C.

A sister of an Indian missionary dying apparently of double pneumonia, her third experience, was restored to health the day after a picture of Kateri was placed over her bed and the community invoked the Indian maiden for her cure.—Sr. H., So. Dak.

Remarkable relief and restoration of a venerable Indian missionary from an ailment seldom curable without an operation at his age, but still at his labors in conditions rugged as usual, through Kateri, attested by a Protestant doctor. —G. A. Artus, S.J.

My husband has been troubled with a skin disease ever since the war. When my little girl brought home the medal of Catherine, he put it on and we said the prayer. In less than a week there was not a sign of it. —Mrs. J. A. K.

When I got your letter about Tekakwitha, I said: "Look here, Catherine, I am in financial difficulties, my normal condition, I am going to say the three 'Our Fathers' and 'Hail, Marys' and 'Glory Be's' and the prayer every day. Send me \$1,000 between this and Saturday." Two days later I received thrice the amount in a mysterious way. —Pastor, New York.

TEKAKWITHA LEAGUE

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To venerate her and imitate her virtues
To invoke her for all manner of blessings

— and now —

To have her declared Blessed and Saint

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January 10, 1933



Lord Jesus, glorify Thy Servant
Catherine Tekakwitha:
We beg of Thee by Thy Holy Cross.

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✦ FRANCIS J. SPELLMAN, Archbishop of New York
February 2, 1940

THE VENERABLE AND HER CAUSE

THE "Lily of the Mohawks" was born 1656 at Ossernenon, near Auriesville, N. Y., where Saint Isaac Jogues and companions were martyred, 1642-46. Her mother, captive Christian Algonquin, and pagan father died when she was a child unbaptized

She grew up innocent, industrious, chaste. When eighteen a missionary came to her people. Baptized Easter, 1676, she was persecuted by wicked Indians. She escaped to La Prairie, Canada, autumn, 1677. She was a model of prayer, love of the Holy Eucharist and of the Blessed Virgin. She received First Communion at Christmas, resisted a second attempt to have her marry, and made the vow of virginity, first of her people, feast of the Annunciation, 1679.

She died April 17, 1680. Remarkable cures have been effected by using objects applied to her relics. She is called wonder-worker for the many favors obtained by invoking her aid. The Cause for her beatification is progressing rapidly in Rome.

"A spectacle for men and Angels."—Pius XI.

May 9, 1939, the Cardinals of the Congregation of Rites recommended the Introduction of the Cause for her Beatification and their decision was sanctioned by our Holy Father, Pius XII, May 19.

June 12, 1942, His Holiness approved the decision of the Congregation that Tekakwitha's virtues were heroic. To proclaim this he authorized the Decree in which she is styled—

VENERABLE.

All who lived with Tekakwitha considered her so holy that when she died they began to invoke her to obtain heavenly favors. They believed their prayers were answered. This belief has increased with the years.

EXAMPLES OF FAVORS REPORTED DAILY:

"A conversion, marriage righted, position, return to the Church."

"Given up, a physician recovered from a virulent pneumonia."

"Cured of tuberculosis considered incurable, I was re-employed by the company with whom I was before illness."

A pastor reports: "A parish financial favor."

Another: "She has helped build our new church."

A third: "An almost impassable obstacle mastered."

Still another: "Remarkable financial progress without any special appeals."

On behalf of his Bishop, a Vicar General reports payment of one-eighth of a crushing debt within a year.

For a hospital the sisters invoked her to help collect \$17,000 due. They received \$23,000.

Three successive years a venerable foundress of a religious congregation has reported sufficient additional vocations.

Sisters of Pingtichuan, China, after thanking Kateri for their protection, report the recovery of a young girl from typhus and another hopelessly ill.

A missionary there accounts for the foundation and support of a large body of Chinese Sisters.

A lady, 61 years old, was paralyzed, passing several weeks in coma; her doctor and two assistants gave up hope. The relic of Tekakwitha was applied, and the next day, arousing from coma, she said, "Jesus, mercy." The doctor, a Protestant, wrote his opinion: "This cannot be accounted for medically.—S. S., M.D." Still living after seven years.

Two apparent miracles are actually under investigation by Apostolic Process and, should they be proved miraculous, Tekakwitha will be declared Blessed. Pray this may happen soon.

Reception for Awardees:
5:30 p.m. - Social hour
followed by dinner.

Michael Whorf

Mrs. Catherine Bolsenga

Sr. M. Juliana Haynes,
S.B.S. and the
Sisters of the Blessed
Sacrament

Bishop Donald E. Pelotte,
S.S.S.

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S.S.S.

Bishop Donald E. Pelotte,

Celebrants

12 noon

Concelebrated Liturgy

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✠ Most Reverend Howard J. Hubbard, D.D.

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Feast Day Celebration



1656

1680

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

July 16, 1989

Our Lady of Martyrs Shrine
Auriesville, N.Y.

1. LA VIE DE LA B. Catherine Tegakouiita DITE A PRESENT LA SAINCTE SAUAGESSE
Claude Chauchetière (1695)
 2. *La vie de Catherine Tégakouiita. Première Vierge Iroquoise*
Pierre Cholenec (1696)
Transcript with addition by Father François Le Brun, S.J., between the years 1707 – 1721, described and kept in the Archives of Saint Mary's College of the Society of Jesus, Montreal (Les archives de la compagnie de Jésus du Canada français, Saint-Jérôme, Québec)
 3. From the letter of Father Jacques de Lamberville, **March 1682**
BRIEF LIFE OF KATHARINE TEGASKOUITA, IROQUOIS CHRISTIAN (Abrégé), from
the narrative of Father Cholenec, written around **March 1682**
Document III
 4. Claude Chauchetière : Narration de la mission du Sault depuis sa fondation jusqu'en 1685 (1686)
Document IV
 5. Extrait d'une lettre du Père Cholenec contenant le récit de la sainte vie et pénitences
extraordinaires de quelques sauvagesses, d'une autre femme sauvagesse et deux autres femmes
sauvagesse, écrit de St. François-Xavier du Sault proche de Montréal au mois de **février 1680**,
dans Relation Missions Iroquoises en 1676 – 1677
Manuscrit-216 dans les archives du séminaire du Québec
 6. Extrait d'une lettre du Père Cholenec sur le même sujet et la mort d'une sainte fille sauvagesse
écrit le **1 mai, 1680**, dans Relation Missions Iroquoises en 1676 – 1677
Manuscrit-216 dans les archives du séminaire du Québec
 7. *Pierre Cholenec, Lettre au Père Jean Baptiste du Halde, dans lettres édifiantes et curieuses,*
Paris 1718, XIII, 430
 8. Letter of Father Claude Chauchetière, respecting the Iroquois mission Sault St. François Xavier.
Sault St. François Xavier, this 14 of October, 1682
Document II
 9. Letter by Father Chauchetière to his brother
Villemarie, this 7 of August, 1694
Document VI
 10. Letter by Father Claude Chauchetière, missionary in Canada, to Father Juheneau, at Bordeaux
Villemarie, this 20 of September, 1694
Document VII
 11. Lettre du Père Claude Chauchetière, S.J., à son frère, Jean, de la même Compagnie, Montréal,
Août 1695
 12. LETTER OF FATHER JACQUES DE LAMBERVILLE, S.J., to his brother Jean, S.J.,
Procurator in France for the Missions in New France, **1696**/ Les affaires de Canada en 1676 OF
THE MISSION OF SAINT ST. FRANCOIS XAVIER [Jacques de Lamberville]
Document XI
 13. Lettre du Père Cholenec, écrite de Québec au Père Jacques Bigot, Paris, **1691**
 14. *Claude Chauchetière, Recueil de ce qui s'est passé depuis le décès de Catherine*
Les archives de la compagnie de Jésus du Canada français, Saint-Jérôme, Québec NO. 343
 15. Jacques de Lamberville 1696 – 1697, The Jesuits Relations and Allied Documents. Volume 65
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Some of the people embrace virginity and continency.

(See page 203.)

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mf *p*
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dim. e rit.
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dim. e rit.
Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

dim. e rit.
Do - na no - bis pa - cem.

f *dim. e rit.*

OUR FATHER

Strongly accented

Jean Henthorne Diamond

Our Fa - ther, Who art in Hea - ven, hal - lowed be Thy
 name; Thy King - dom come; Thy will be done on earth as it
 is in Hea - ven. Give us this day our dai - ly bread
 and for - give us our tres - pass - es as we for - give those who
 tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to temp - ta - tion,
 but de - liv - er us from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom and the
 pow - er and the glo ry for - ev - er. A - men.

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Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 at Auriesville in the eastern part of New York State. It was here that St. Isaac Jogues and Companions were martyred in 1642-46.

Kateri grew up innocent, industrious, chaste. When she was eighteen, a Jesuit missionary came to her Indian village which is now called Fonda, five miles west of her birthplace. She studied her Faith with such diligence that she received baptism on Easter Sunday in 1676. Persecuted by her people because of her Faith, she escaped to Canada in the autumn of 1677. She was a model of prayer, a lover of the Holy Eucharist and of the Blessed Virgin. Kateri resisted two attempts to have her marry. On the Feast of the Annunciation in 1679, she was the first of her people to make the vow of virginity.

It was on April 17, 1680, that Kateri died near Montreal, Canada. Six days after her death she appeared to Fr. Chauchetiere, one of the Jesuit missionaries, with her face radiant and her eyes raised heavenward as in an ecstasy. Twice again she appeared to him refulgent with a heavenly beauty and asked him to write her life story, which he did. The fame of Kateri's holiness spread far and wide. Wonders were wrought at her tomb. People came on pilgrimage to acknowledge the benefits of her intercession and to ask for new favors.

