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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 seeks also 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.

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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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✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Miss M.S. !**

First of all I'd like to thank you again for getting me the ticket for the Beatification Ceremony. I really appreciated that a lot. Secondly I would like to ask you to send me two novena-cards and two pictures of Kateri with the prayer for her Canonization as soon as possible. Enclosed are ten U.S. dollars to help the cause of Canonization as a small gift of thanks for the many favors I was granted through the intercession of Kateri: first of all I was able to go to Rome to be part of the great celebration of Beatification; I met some of my old friends in Rome in spite of all the crowds of people in St. Peter's Square; my wallet was stolen; it contained my return train ticket and a small amount of German money. Like a miracle, I received it back; one of the "gang" returned it to me, while I was standing in the crowded station not knowing what to do and whom to turn to for help. I couldn't believe it, when this little beggar-girl suddenly stood in front of me, handing me the wallet with the money and the ticket still in it. May the Lord bless these little beggar-children, who have to steal in order to survive! Another thing I would like to mention is the fact that I passed my two exams really well, although I didn't get down to hard studies on account of my preparations for the journey to Rome and the trip itself... I also met a nice person who grew to be a close friend. He is an Indian from the States and a good person. Unfortunately he is very confused about religion, because he has encountered so many different denominations and so many people who claim to be Christians but don't act accordingly. I'm hoping and praying that he will find Jesus and a new meaning of life with him... I'm asking Kateri to protect him specially, because he is one of her people. I also would like to make a request for myself—that I will be able to complete my studies and live a life according to God's will. Please remember me in your prayers. I'll do the same for you. (Kirchen, West Germany.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. I.M. !**

I promised ten dollars to Kateri's Cause if my son could be steadily employed and he has been working ever since. (Woodslee, Ont.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

Oyez! Oyez!

*Thousands upon thousands
of Our Father's and Hail Mary's
are needed to obtain
from the loving Heart of Jesus
the speedy canonization of
Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha
Already 941 Prayer Pledges have come in!*

Please send yours to:
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MY PLEDGE TO KATERI Date.....

I, the undersigned, pledge to offer up each day one Our Father and/or one Hail Mary until the miracles needed for Blessed Kateri's canonization are obtained.

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KATERIGRAM

THE PRAYERS, ALMS AND SACRIFICES offered through the Immaculate Heart of Mary to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for the canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha are so many means to hasten her elevation to the ranks of the Saints and to spread her influence from one end of the world to the other. Allow me to suggest another means, which could be quite helpful. The late Archbishop Fulton-J. Sheen, who did so much to spread the reign of God, is its author.

"I recommend," he wrote, "that you spiritually adopt a child in its mother's womb. Pray that an unknown child, whom you are taking under your protection, be preserved from abortion to live and grow in the love of God." It is a good way to oppose Mr. Minister Lazure, who dotted the landscape of the Province of Quebec with abortion clinics, —medical facilities for the murder of unborn children.

"It is all well and good to pray," you say, "but what prayer shall I use?" Archbishop Sheen prepared this one for you, "JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH, I love you with all my heart. I beg of you to spare the life of this unborn child that I have adopted spiritually and who is in danger of being aborted." Offer this prayer each day during a year with the Our Father and the Hail Mary for Blessed Kateri's canonisation.

During your earthly life this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God, to the Blessed Virgin, and to Blessed Kateri, but in the world to come and throughout eternity both you and the child will find happiness in each other's company.

The following lines from Vatican II will serve as my conclusion:

"God, Lord of life, has conferred on men the surpassing ministry of safeguarding life—a ministry which must be fulfilled in a manner which is worthy of man. Therefore from the moment of its conception life must be guarded with the greatest care, while abortion and infanticide are unspeakable crimes... Relying on these principles, sons of the Church may not undertake methods of regulating procreation which are found blameworthy by the teaching authority of the Church in its unfolding of the divine law."

HENRI BÉCHARD, S.J.
Vice-Postulator



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Dolores Pustelny pinxit.

Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. P. !**

My friends, Mr. and Mrs. H. S., named their new baby after Kateri Tekakwitha and would like to receive the **Kateri** magazine. Please send them the Autumn issue. I am so happy that we named one of our twelve children after Kateri. We always pray to the patron saint of our children for them and feel that they are definitely taking care of them. In the case of Kateri especially. Even her boy friend brings her clippings of her dear patron. Kateri is a Junior in Nursing at Catholic University and recently the shrine (or engraving) of Kateri was pointed out to her and to us at the Immaculate Conception Shrine. Please pray that our Kateri will remain faithful to her holy faith, and use the gifts God has given her for his special ones—the poor and needy. Kateri has given some thought to working with the Indians. We are receiving the magazine presently in her name. (Fallston, MD)

✿ **Kaetri's smile upon you, Mrs. Y.B. !**

Enclosed you will find the sum of ten dollars for a favor received. After applying the relic of Kateri and making the novena, my husband's knee that had been in great pain for many months was relieved of pain and has been well ever since. Many thanks to the great Kateri. I want to have this published... (Grande Digue, N.B.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. C.S. !**

Enclosed is a check for twenty-five dollars in thanks-giving for my oldest son receiving a job he wanted. Kateri has helped me so many times over the past twenty-five years in raising my ten children! All thanks and praise to Kateri... (Arlington, MA.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. R.G. !**

I had promised Blessed Kateri that I would send a donation if my son found a suitable home for an elderly man, a friend of his. I am enclosing ten dollars in thanksgiving for a favor received. (Sydney, N.S.)

✿ **Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.T. !**

I would like to acknowledge a favor received from Kateri Tekakwitha. I had a growth on the back of my head. I started a novena to Kateri and applied her relic to my head, and before the novena was over, the growth went away. I am very grateful to Kateri and would like to thank her in this letter. Enclosed is a small amount in appreciation. (Cleveland, OH.)

(When acknowledging favors to Kateri, be sure to indicate details.)

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*"Wâkwîk, mâwâtç kiyâbîtc kigâ
pecwâmin apîtc omâ mâdiziwin.
Kigâ nanagatenimin
acîtc pepejik nicîmejak."*




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Montagnais Calendar

"In heaven, I will even be nearer to you than during this life.
I will watch over you and each one of my "sisters."
Kateri Tekakwitha

EACH NEW MOON



FR. MOLINARI AT KAHNAWAKE

ON SATURDAY EVENING, June 6, following a series of talks in Quebec and at Châteauguay, P.Q., to former retreatants who, in Rome, had followed the Ignatian thirty-day **Spiritual Exercises**, Fr. Paolo Molinari, S.J., Postulator General for the Cause of canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, improved the occasion by coming to pray at Kateri's tomb in Kahnawake, P.Q. He was received with open arms. About forty of his retreatants accompanied him. In good part, it's thanks to his efforts that we are now able to call the Lily of the Mohawks "Blessed." The pilgrims present in Rome for Kateri's beatification will always remember Father Paolo's warm welcome and his readiness to serve at any time of day or night.

FIRST DAY COVERS

As promised in the summer issue of **Kateri**, a picture story of the launching of the commemorative stamp in honor of the Lily of the Mohawks on April 26, now tells the tale of this happy event.

Of interest to philatelists: First day covers: \$1.50, 5 covers: \$5.50.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

At the Martyrs' Shrine in Auriesville, N.Y., birthplace of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, the fiftieth anniversary of the dedication of the Shrine Coliseum was celebrated on Sunday, June 21, 1981. The Most Rev. Howard J. Hubbard, beloved Bishop of Albany, was the principal concelebrant at the 12:30 p.m. mass. Rev. Father Vincent J. Hart, S.J., who was a member of the Shrine Staff at the time of the dedication, was the guest homilist. The Choir of St. Mary's Church, Amsterdam, N.Y., under the direction of Charles Lower, performed the original **Mass of the Martyrs**, composed by Hugh P. Donlan, and first sung on June 21, 1931. Heartfelt felicitations to Fr. Thomas FF. Egan, S.J., and to his Staff, who carry on the good work of fifty golden years!

FIFTEENTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS



Mrs. A. Two Rivers receives the fifteen-year award.

The Daughters of Isabella, Lily of the Mohawk Circle 1130, Kahnawá:ke celebrated their 15th anniversary on June 26.

The Celebrations commenced

at the St. Francis Xavier Mission Church in Kahnawá:ke. The Eucharistic Mass was celebrated by Msgr. Antoine Remillard, State Chaplain of the Daughters of Isabella; concelebrating with him were Father Léon Lajoie, Pastor of the St. Francis Xavier Mission and Chaplain of the Daughters of Isabella in Kahnawá:ke; and Father Henri Béchard, Vice-Postulator for Kateri's cause.

The Solemn Mass was sung by the renowned Mohawk-Iroquois mixed Choir. The Daughters participated in the Liturgy of the word. The Offertory gifts were brought up to the altar by the four past Regents since the founding of the Circle in 1966. Father Henri Béchard delivered a heartfelt homily on the theme of the three loves of Kateri: her love of Our Lady, of the Eucharist, and of the Cross. He also expressed his appreciation to the Daughters for their work in promoting Kateri's cause and their part in erecting the tomb of Kateri, which is in the St. Francis Xavier Mission Church today at Kahnawá:ke. The Eucharistic celebration ended with the beautiful Hymn to Kateri by the Mohawk-Iroquois mixed Choir.

Immediately following the Eucharistic Celebration, a dinner was served at the Knights of Columbus hall. Speeches were given encouraging the Daughters to continue in their work of service in the Church. Special pins were given to the Daughters who have been members for ten and fifteen years.

Daughters of Isabella members from various circles, members representing the different groups

in the community of Kahnawá:ke attended the celebrations in honor of Kateri Tekakwí:tha.

Sr. Dorothy Lazore, S.S.A.

FIRST BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA CHURCH

Palm Sunday, April 12, 1981, was a very special day for the people of the Missasaugi Indian Reserve near Blind River. It was on this day that their beautiful new log church, named in honor of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha, was blessed. Bishop Bernard F. Pappin blessed the church, concelebrating Mass with Fr. Larry Kroker, and assisted by Murray Sayers and Angus Neganigigig, native deacons.

There were also other special events to mark the occasion: Confirmation for several young people and adults from the community and surrounding area, and the Mandation of four members of the community as Ministers of the Eucharist. Those mandated were: Chief Camille Chiblow, Adelard Chiblow and Billy and Lena Boyer.

As it was Palm Sunday, there was the Blessing of the Palms on the grounds of the old church followed by a procession to the new church.

The homily was given by native artist, Blake Debassige. He explained the mural behind the altar which he had painted for the new church. It was very meaningful. He entitled it "Path of Life Mural".

After the dedication ceremonies, there was a beautiful feast provided for everyone in the community hall...

Betty Sayers



PHOTOS FELICI, ROMA

Memories of Yesteryear

- ▲ Pope John Paul II mingles with the Amerinds present at the audience of June 24, 1980.
- ▼ After his audience with the Holy Father, Prime Minister Trudeau of Canada greets the Indians awaiting their turn to be received by the Vicar of Christ. Mrs. Gladys Delisle, wife of Chief Andrew of Kahnawake, P.Q., offers a keepsake to young Justin Trudeau.

Our Blessed On Stamps

BESIDES the holy Jesuit Martyrs, the Lord favored Canada with six Blessed: Francis de Laval, Mary of the Incarnation, Marguerite Bourgeoys, Marguerite d'Youville, Kateri Tekakwitha, and André Grasset de Saint-Sauveur, whom the **Dictionary of Canadian Biography** forgot to include in its second tome.

Blessed André was born in Montreal on April 3, 1758. After the conquest of Canada by the British, his father returned to France with his family. André was then six years and a half old.

Later on, as a priest and canon of the Cathedral of Sens, he was executed in Paris by the revolutionists at the Convent of the Carmelites, on September 2, 1792, at two o'clock in the afternoon. With him were martyred three bishops and one hundred and twenty-eight priests, whom Pium XI beatified on October 17, 1926. He is the pride of France and even of Canada, although Bollandist de la Haye says that a Saint belongs only to the country where he dies.

The Canadian government, as we shall see, has honored five of our Blessed by launching a commemorative stamp for each of them. It's a pity that Blessed André didn't get his!

The Kateri commemorative stamp was inspired by Emile Brunet's statue of Kateri at Kahnawake, P.Q. The designer, Laurent Marquart of Montreal, used high-contrast photos in appropriate colors, adding as an identifying graphic element the turtle, symbol of Kateri's clan of the Mohawk nation. Ashhton-Potters Limited of Toronto printed 21,500,000 17-cent Kateri commemorative stamps.

Beatified on
June 22, 1980

BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA



NINETEEN HUNDRED AND EIGHTY was the tercentenary of the holy death of Kateri. On this occasion, God's gift to her was the beatification requested in thousands of prayers offered by her fervent friends during the last three hundred years. So, on June 22, 1980, the Sovereign Pontiff, John Paul II, declared to the multitude of enthusiastic devotees gathered in Rome and through them to the entire world, that Kateri Tekakwitha's signal virtues had merited for her the title of Blessed.

As an orphan of four years of age, she began a new life with her aunts and, as the years went by, she became so handy in the longhouse and so helpful in the fields that they rejoiced

at the thought of the marriage they had in store for her. Then, He who said, "I am the Light of the world," marvellously opened up her intelligence to the Divine Light, so that at the age of seventeen, she prepared herself for baptism. Six months later, on Easter Sunday, 1676, she was received into the Church. Persecution soon followed and she was obliged to flee for safety to the Mission of St. Francis Xavier.

A few months after her arrival, on Christmas Day, 1677, she made her First Communion. She later pronounced the vow of virginity and dedicated herself to the Blessed Virgin.

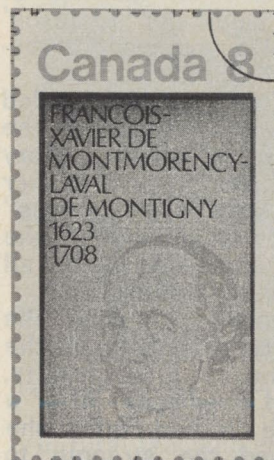
When, aged twenty-four, she left this world, her features became exceedingly beautiful and her many admirers were convinced that she had already entered into Paradise.

SR. EVANGELINE BINET, C.N.D.

Date of Stamp Issue, April 24, 1981

Beatified on
June 22, 1980

BLESSED FRANCIS DE LAVAL



AT THE EARLY AGE of eight, Francis was sent to the Jesuit college of La Flèche for ten years, after which he studied theology. He was ordained a priest in 1647, and the Holy Father named him Vicar General of practically all North America.

In 1659, Bishop de Laval arrived in Canada and immediately set to work. For the clergy, he built a seminary which nurtured vocations. For the Indians, he was all kindness and ever ready to welcome them. In 1667, he baptized the eleven Indian founders of the Mission of St. Francis Xavier. He opposed the governors and the trappers who wanted to expand the sale of spirits among the native population.

He returned to France to obtain the suppression of the sale of alcoholic beverages. Louis XIV responded favorably to his request. The King also legally constituted the diocese of Quebec and guaranteed to send soldiers and settlers to Canada. Francis de Laval thus merited for himself the title of **Savior of the country**. On October 1, 1674, he was canonically named first Bishop of Quebec.

Thanks to his successful fight against the sale of alcohol to the Indian people, Kateri was able to live in a village of sober and fervent Christians. The encouragement the Bishop gave the missionaries who guided her forged another link between both of them. And her devotion to the Holy Family, fostered by the Bishop, was still another spiritual bond between them. On May 6, 1708, the holy prelate died as he recited the rosary of the Holy Family.

SR. EVANGELINE BINET, C.N.D.

Date of Stamp Issue, January 31, 1973

Beatified on
June 22, 1980

BLESSED MARY OF THE INCARNATION



BORN ON October 28, 1599, as a mere child, Mary was taken up with the great desire of loving God. At the age of seven, she said "yes" to Jesus' question, "Do you want to belong to Me?"

When her parents decided that she was to marry at the age of fourteen, youthful Mary accepted Claude Martin as her husband. It was the same "yes" with which, two years later, she accepted widowhood with all its trials and afflictions.

The time came when she pledged herself to God in the world by the vows of chastity, poverty and obedience. After a vision of the Blessed Trinity, she felt she had the strength to make the supreme sacrifice of

quitting her aged father and entrusting her little son, Claude, to her sister's care. Then at the age of thirty, she entered the Ursuline novitiate at Tours. After eight years of religious life, she became the first woman missionary to the Indians of Canada, indeed, one of the first distaff missionaries in the history of the Church. On May 4, 1639, at Dieppe, she boarded ship for the New World.

Working with Huron and Iroquois girls was what she most preferred. She called them "the delight of her heart." In turn, some of them certainly influenced Kateri Tekakwitha in her search for Love.

On her deathbed, Blessed Mary of the Incarnation committed her youthful Indians to the Sisters she had prepared and told them that she was offering all her sufferings, her life, and death for the salvation of the Indians. This ultimate offering, her last "yes" to the Lord, indubitably affected the spiritual life of fifteen-year-old Kateri in distant Gandaouagué of the Mohawks.

SR. EVANGELINE BINET, C.N.D.

Date of Stamp Issue, April 24, 1981

Beatified on
November 12, 1950

BLESSED MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS



BLESSED MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS was born in Troyes, France, on April 17, 1620, and was baptized at the church of St. John-of-the-Market.

On October 7, 1640, during a procession in honor of Our Lady of the Rosary, she underwent an interior "conversion" at the sight of the Madonna of Our Lady of the Young Nuns.

In 1653, a providential meeting with the Governor of Ville Marie eventually led her to New France.

A modest school under the roof of a stable was the birthplace of Marguerite's educational achievements as a pioneer in rural teaching and charitable works. Didn't she welcome and care for the "filles du Roi," known as the "Daughters of the King," a covey of poor but honest girls who later, thanks to her, became good wives and mothers? And didn't she found an institute of uncloistered religious, the Congregation of Notre Dame, which Bishop de Laval canonically approved in a letter of August 6, 1676? Thanks to her tenacity, the church of Our Lady of Bon Secours was erected.

Besides having actively collaborated in the foundation of Montreal, which made it possible to establish the Mission of St. Francis Xavier, did Blessed Marguerite do anything else for Kateri? Already in 1663, at the invitation of Fr. Chaumonot, S.J., Marguerite had taken part in launching the Association of the Holy Family, which influenced the spirituality of the Lily of the Mohawks.

Marguerite Bourgeoys died on January 12, 1700. She is well remembered as an indefatigable giant in the way of Divine Love, who lived and suffered only for her Lord, whom she saw in every neighbor.

SR. CÉLINE LANGELIER, C.N.D.

Date of Stamp Issue, May 30, 1975

Beatified on
May 3, 1959

BLESSED MARGUERITE D'YOUVILLE



MARGUERITE saw the light of day at Varennes on October 15, 1701. Christopher Dufrost de la Jennerais, her father, had emigrated from Brittany in 1687; her mother, Renée Gaultier de Varennes, was the granddaughter of Peter Boucher de Boucherville, Governor of Trois Rivières.

All too soon, her father's death taught her the meaning of suffering. At the tender age of twelve, she shared with her mother the care of a large family, and later, her short and unhappy marriage with Francis d'Youville definitely brought her into contact with the realities of life.

Widowed at twenty-nine, with two children, her true vocation was revealed to her. What hard times, what poverty in Montreal at that period! To devote herself to her two sons did not seem enough for her; **she was their mother, but also the mother of all who suffered.**

From 1730 to 1738, she unknowingly went through two novitiates, that of a Sister of Charity and that of administratrix of a large institution. In 1747, Mother d'Youville was entrusted with the restoration of the General Hospital built in 1694 by the Charon brothers. She became the pioneer of social service in our metropolis. Her unlimited trust in Providence, made her the messenger of God the Father's kindness to all.

Born after Kateri's death, she was well acquainted with the Kahnawake Indians. At the time of the conflagration of 1765, they sold fancy pins, blankets, knives, and wampun and gave the money they earned for the rebuilding of the hospital.

After having prayed struggled, suffered, and often wept for the cause of Charity, Marguerite returned to God on the evening of December 23, 1771.

SR. THÉRÈSE MAHEUX, S.G.M.

Date of Stamp Issue, September 21, 1978

KATERI AND CANADA¹

During his first visit to the Sault (Kahnawake), our Bishop (Jean-Baptiste de la Croix Chevrères de Saint-Vallier) wishing to pray on her grave, brought with him the Marquis de Denonville and Madame la Marquise. He eulogized her in two words, calling her the **Genevieve of Canada.**

Pierre Cholenec, S.J.
The Life of Katharine Tegakoûita,
First Iroquois Virgin, 1696

All the French of this new world have a special veneration for our Katharine; everywhere they speak of her with praise and, even the Indians look upon her as a powerful patron given them by God for the preservation of the country...

Ibid.

She began to be famous for miracles about six months after her death, and in a short time she scattered very many of them all over the Canadian scene...

Pierre Cholenec, S.J.
Letter and Life of Catherine Tegakovita,
to Father Michael Angelo Tamburini,
General of the Society of Jesus
Sept. 26, 1715

"The Servants of God whom I believe are in heaven and who were zealous for the good of the Church of Canada and whom God made use of to establish it..." Sixty-three names follow, among them that of "Good Catherine of the Sault."

Mother Juchereau of St. Ignatius,
A Manuscript, 1716-1722

For more than sixty years she has been regarded as the Protectress of Canada...

Francis Xavier de Charlevoix, S.J.,
History and General Description of
New France, Paris, 1744

Kateri's virtues were resplendent after her death; God covered her tomb with an abundance of splendid miracles proportionate to the Saint's poverty and obscurity here below. She was publicly honored as patroness of Canada. She was worshipped beside a fountain under the name of Catherine of the Woods. This Virgin Saint has never ceased looking after the welfare of New France...

Chateaubriand, *Les Natchez*, Paris, 1826

1. Excerpts submitted to the Postmaster General. Canada or New France then comprised practically all North America with the exception of the lower New England States and the Spanish possessions in Florida and the Southwest.

THE LAUNCHING OF THE KATERI STAMP

DURING the autumn of 1978, the Kateri Center launched the idea of a commemorative postage stamp on the occasion of the tercentenary of the saintly death of the one who was then known as the Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha.

After much lobbying and especially with the assistance of Bishop André Marie Cimichella, Ponent of the Causes of Saints in the Province of Quebec, the Honourable André Ouellet, Postmaster General, authorized the issuing of a postage stamp in honor of the Indian maiden who, in the meantime, had become Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha.

The launching took place on Sunday, April 26, at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier of Kahnawake, P.Q. The celebrations were well organized by the Iroquois Knights of Columbus, with the blessing of Fr. Léon Lajoie, S.J. At 12:15 o'clock, Bishop Bernard Hubert of Saint-Jean-de-Québec was the main celebrant at the Eucharistic Concelebration. Among the concelebrants were Bishop Gérard-Marie Coderre, former Ordinary of the diocese, André Cimichella, and Gilles Bélisle, Auxiliary at Ottawa. Bishop Robert Lebel of Valleyfield, P.Q., had delegated Fr. Gérard Lavigne, S.J. to represent him.

Fr. Jean-d'Auteuil Richard replaced the Very Reverend Bernard Carrière, Provincial, S.J., who was on visitation at Trois-Rivières. Many other Jesuit Fathers took part in the ceremony: Paul-Emile Beaudoin and Léon Zipfel, Assistants at the Mission; Louis-Joseph Goulet, Director of the Missions; Joseph Cossette, Archivist of the Jesuit Province of French Canada; Paul Hamel of the Maison Bellarmin of Montreal, as well as Joseph S. McBride, Vice-Postulator for Kateri in the United States, and Thomas Egan, Director of the Martyrs' Shrine at Auriesville, N.Y., along with Ronald Schultz, O.F.M. Conv., Director of Kateri's Shrine at Fonda, N.Y. Other concelebrants were the Pastor's brother, Fr. Yves Lajoie, Fr. Joseph Blouin, O.M.I., of the Indian mission of Maria, P.Q., and Fr. Joseph Trombley of Chazy, N.Y.

Were also present: Dr. and Mrs. Jacques A. Gouin, and Mesdemoiselles Germaine and Jacqueline Lajoie, members of Fr. Lajoie's immediate family, as well as religious of different communities: Sisters of St. Ann, Sisters of the Congregation of Notre Dame, and others.

Representing the Postmaster General, was the Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Minister of Defense, accompanied by Major

Jean-G. Blouin, his aide-de-camp, and other federal officials, among whom were Mr. Jacques Filteau, Mrs. Louise Roy, and Mrs. Marguerite Després. Occupying seats of honor were Chief Andrew Delisle and his wife, Gladys, and within the sanctuary, Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus Albert and Thomas Lazare.

From the sister mission of St. Regis, to honor Blessed Kateri, came Chief Lawrence Francis with a large delegation, among whom were Dr. and Mrs. Solomon Cook, Sr. Kateri Mitchell, S.S.A., her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Mitchell, as well as a fine contingent of Knights of Columbus. Sr. Dorothy Lazore, S.S.A., originally from St. Regis, Professor of Iroquois linguistics at Kahnawake was also there.

Some Indians from Oka and Huron Chief Max One-Onte Gros-Louis had also come to render homage to the Lily of the Mohawks.

Furthermore, several members of the International Kateri Committee were in attendance: Mr. and Mrs. Joseph T. O'Brien of Cleveland, Ohio; Mrs. Anne M. Scheuerman of Pittsford, N.Y., and Mr. Thomas B. Constantino of Amsterdam, N.Y., accompanied by other good friends of the Lily of the Mohawks.

For lack of space, it is not possible to name each one of the host of Blessed Kateri's clients who flocked to the mission church for the occasion. Here are a few longtime devotees: Mr. and Mrs. Charles Labelle, Miss Marie Baboyant, the Misses Claire and Thérèse Dion, Miss Gladys Fitzgerald, and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Dashney and their son, Robert.

The solemnity of the Bishop's entrance was heightened with an escort of sixty Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus in full regalia and forty Daughters of Isabella, many of them of the Kahnawake Lily of the Mohawks Circle.

The Iroquois Mixed Choir, singing in its native language, added luster to the Eucharistic Celebration.

In his homily, Bishop Hubert invited the Indians to follow the example of their own Blessed, to live their Christian life despite the Six Nation Indians who do not share their Faith.

Nearly everyone received Holy Communion, which was followed by the unveiling of a large photo of the commemorative stamp dedicated to Kateri.

The Honourable Lamontagne, in his address, explained why the government had decided to launch 21,500,000 Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha stamps. Besides honoring her, Canada wanted to honor her people.

Chief Andrew Delisle of Kahanawake, in a well turned speech, then explained how a beatification or a canonization is obtained: all faithful Indians as well as Whites, must pray fervently for this intention.

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The Postmaster General

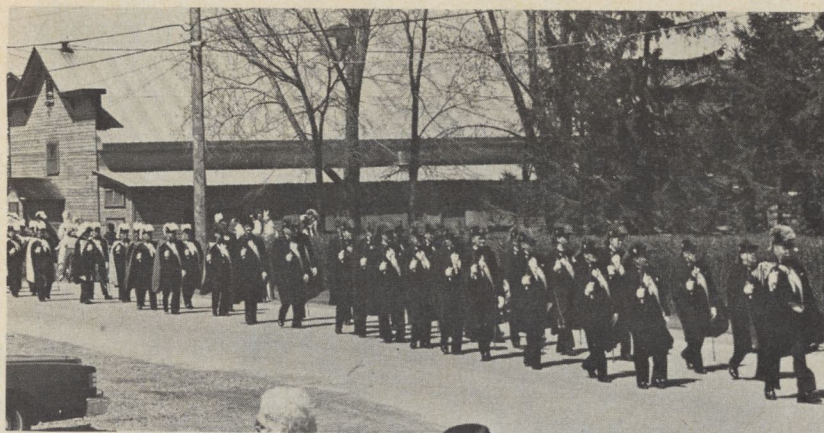
The Honourable André Ouellet, Postmaster General, gratified Blessed Kateri's friends with a commemorative stamp in her honour.

CELEBRATION OF THE 301st ANNIVERSARY OF BLESSED KATERI'S DEATH

STAMP LAUNCHING CEREMONY DEDICATED TO KATERI SUNDAY 26 APRIL 1981

AT THE MISSION OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER
KAHNAWAKE, P.Q.

Entrance song (Choir)	Cantate Domino (Vincent d'Indy) TETSITWARIHWAHKWAS
Entrance procession	
Greeting (Celebrant, Bishop Hubert)	
Kyrie (Choir)	Messe Breve (Joseph Noyon) TAKWENTENHR SEWENNIIO
Gloria (Choir))	Messe Breve (Joseph Noyon) KWAENNAIENS
Opening prayer	
First Reading (Grand Chief Delisle)	
Psalm (Mr. A. Goodleaf)	
Second Reading (The Hon. Lamontagne)	
Gospel Acclamation (Choir)	Regina Coeli (G. F. Haendel)
Gospel (Fr. Lajoie)	
Homily (Bishop Hubert)	
Creed (Choir)	Gregorian Chant: 3
Intentions (Mrs. P. Cross)	
Offertory procession	Praise Jesus (Beethoven) IESOS RONONTIIO
Prayer over the gifts (Bishop Hubert)	
Preface, Easter I	
Sanctus (Choir)	Mass in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (Meulemeester) SAIATATOKENHTI
Eucharistic Prayer II	
The Lord's Prayer	
Agnus Dei (Choir)	IESOS KRISTOS (Vandandaigue)
Communion (Choir)	1. Ave Verum Corpus (Mozart) TEKWANORONHKWANIONS
	2. Ego dilecto mea (Verheist) IESOS ISE SHAWENK
End of mass (Choir)	Jerusalem acclame (Joseph Noyon) SIRISAREM
Launching ceremony	O Canada IONKWANATA
Closing hymn	Kateri (Alfred Bernier)



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The Entrance Procession



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The Most Reverend Gérard-Marie Coderre, Bernard Hubert, André-Marie Cimichella, and Gilles Bélisle.

The Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Minister of Defense.



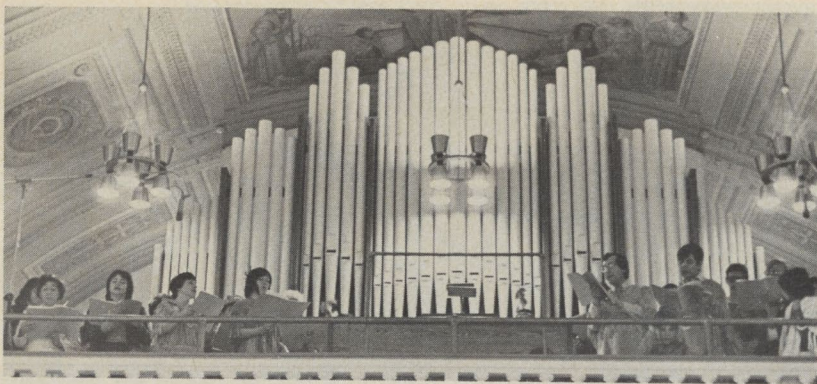
Mr. Justin Rice presents hosts to Bishop Hubert.
Miss Lisa Phillips offers chalice.
Miss Cynthia Boyer likewise.



Fr. Henri Béchard, S.J., Msgr. Gustave Desourdy, Bishop Bernard Hubert, Frs. Léon Lajoie, S.J., Jean d'Auteuil Richard, S.J., Joseph Blouin, O.M.I., Joseph Trombley, Louis-Joseph Goulet, S.J., The Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Minister of Defense, and Chief Andrew Delisle.

The Honor Guard of Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

Mrs. Gladys Delisle, wife of Chief Andrew, and Major Jean-G. Blouin, aide-de-camp to the Minister of Defense.
Chiefs Francis Lawrence of St. Regis, P.Q., and Max Gros-Louis of Village Huron, P.Q.



The Iroquois Mixed Choir

Frs. Ronald Schultz, O.F.M.; Thomas-F. Egan, S.J.; and Msgr. Gustave Desourdy; Frs. Gérard Lavigne, S.J.; Joseph Cossette, S.J.; Louis-Joseph Goulet, S.J.;; Fr. Yves Lajoie and Fr. Joseph Trombley.

Facing the congregation, Chief Andrew Delisle and the Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Minister of Defense.



The Minister of Defense offers an album souvenir to Bishop Hubert; at their left, Chief Andrew Delisle;



To Fr. Lajoie, S.J., Pastor of the Mission;



To Fr. Henri Béchard, S.J., Vice-Postulator for Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha;



To Chief Andrew Delisle of Ka'nawaké;



To Mr. Thomas Lazare, for the Iroquois Knights of Columbus;



To Mr. Eddie Cross, Principal of Tekakwitha School, for the Iroquois Cultural Center.



Chiefs Max Gros-Louis of Village Huron, P.Q.; Andrew Delisle of Kahnawaké, P.Q.; and the Honourable Gilles Lamontagne, Minister of Defense.

Girl Scouts from Ottawa, the "Panthers."

Fr. Ronald Schultz, O.F.M., Conv., Director of the Kateri Tekakwitha Shrine at Fonda, N.Y.; Fr. Joseph S. McBride, S.J., Vice-Postulator for Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha in U.S.A., at Auriesville, N.Y.

Why read

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by Vice-Postulator Henri Béchard, S.J.

**It's a first-rate introduction to the life and times
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The launching of the Kateri stamp, cont'd.

In the name of the Honourable André Ouellet, Postmaster General, the Honourable Minister of Defense offered an album souvenir of the celebrations to Bishop Hubert, to Chief Delisle, to Frs. Léon Lajoie and Henri Béchard, to Mr. Thomas Lazare for the Iroquois Knights of Columbus, and to Mr. Eddy Cross, Principal of the Indian School at the Mission, for the Iroquois Cultural Center. One was reserved to Postulator General Father Paolo Molinari, and others to seven or eight Roman Cardinals.

Mr. Roger Doucet, who generally sings during the hockey games at the Montreal Forum, intoned **O Canada** in French and in English, which the assistance then took up in chorus. The ceremonies ended with the triumphant **Hymn to Kateri** by Fr. Alfred Bernier.

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As I am sending the names of FIVE new subscribers to the Kateri Center, I now inscribe, free of charge, the name of a deceased person dear to me on the Frances Gonannhatenna Roll.

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