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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.

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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.

Benefits

Your contribution (\$5.00 a year, or more, if possible) enrolls you among "Kateri's Friends" for whom:

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.

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Katerigram

20 YEARS AGO ...

MESSAGE OF THE POPE TO THE INDIANS AND FAITHFUL OF SAINT-JOHN

The beatification of Kateri Tekakwitha reminds us, first of all, of the missionary epic of New France. Indeed, how could she have come to the Christian faith without the admirable action in your midst of the holy martyrs of Canada, of Blessed François de Montmorency Laval, Marguerite Bourgeoys, Marguerite d'Youville, Marie de l'Incarnation and of the other founders of the Church of Canada? In the 17th century, your country became a vast and active field of the Mission of the Church. The Indian people as well as the White people established in North America received the Word of God and built a young and dynamic Church.

Down to this day, the Gospel has yielded abundant fruit in your country. The Church of Canada, particularly that of Quebec, has supplied thousands of missionaries to all continents of the world. After receiving the Good News brought by Christ, your families have prepared for the universal Church men and women who accepted to give their lives to proclaim the Gospel.

This generosity is at the source of the vitality of the Church in numerous dioceses throughout the world. May you remain constant in your openness to the Word of God and in your preparation of missionary vocations.

Not only does the beatification of Kateri bring to mind the missionary role of the Church in New France, but it also points out the invaluable contribution made by the Amerindians in the life of the Church community. The liberation brought about by Jesus Christ is for all the peoples of the earth. The salvation given by God is a universal salvation. The Church, which is the visible sign of this divine action in history, must manifest in its members that salvation in Christ is accessible to men and women of every race and of every land.

The public recognition of the spiritual merits of Kateri Tekakwitha brings into light the catholicity of the Church. This young virgin was not conceived in a vacuum. She carries in her being the experiences and values of her people. The life of this Indian woman enriches the testimony of the Church. The Mohawk people, who gave this beautiful flower to the community of believers, is still called today to contribute to the life of the Church. Dear Mohawk sons and daughters, do not hesitate to put your trust in Christ and to place yourselves and your talents at the service of the Church. Count on Jesus to affirm your human and Christian identity. Build the church in your midst by living the Gospel of Jesus to the full.

Joannes Paulus PP. II

From the Vatican, June 24, 1980



Chief Tiouateskon Roll

In 1677, when Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha came to live among the Praying Indians on the St. Lawrence, Tiouateskon was the chief of the Mohawks, an active member of the Holy Family Association, and head of a longhouse noted for its fervor.

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Amerindian News

Katherine Drexel hailed as "The Mother Teresa of her day"

The Vatican has approved the final step necessary for conferring sainthood on a Philadelphia heiress who abandoned the life of a socialite to become a nun and work with poor blacks and American Indians.

Already beatified, the former heiress who became the founder of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament is now eligible to become the fourth saint born in the U.S.

Vatican Radio, in announcing the official recognition of a miracle, praised Mother Katherine as an "authentic pioneer" of human rights.

Over a period of 60 years, Mother Drexel spent her entire fortune to help the poor.

The miracle occurred when an American child who was born deaf in both ears gained her hearing at the age of 4 after her mother prayed to Mother Katherine, said the Rev. Paolo Molinari, a Jesuit in Rome who promoted the cause for the nun's canonization.

In a ceremony in the presence of Pope John Paul II, a decree was promulgated recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of Katherine Drexel.



Mother Katherine, an activist for civil rights, was born in 1858, when debate over slavery was pushing the country toward civil war.

Her father, Francis Anthony Drexel, was a banker and a business partner of J.P. Morgan and the Drexels lived a life of wealth and privilege.

Still, three days a week, Katherine's stepmother used to open the door of their Rittenhouse Square town house and distribute food, clothing, and money to the needy.

When Katherine was in her early 20s, her stepmother died and her father followed her soon after, leaving an estate of \$15 million U.S.—roughly equivalent to \$250 million today—the largest fortune that had ever been recorded in Philadelphia.

The three Drexel daughters soon attracted both fortune hunters and legitimate fundraisers. Two priests from the Dakotas travelled to see them, reporting that the federal government was withdrawing its funding of Indian schools, and Katherine immediately wrote them a cheque.

One year later, the matter was still on her mind. In a private audience, Katherine asked the Pope to send more missionaries to help the Indians. He asked: "Why, my child, don't you become a missionary?"

From the time she was 14, she had considered devoting herself to a life of service. While her younger sister was already married and she herself had plenty of suitors, Katherine felt a great pull to religious life.

In 1889, when she was 30, Katherine decided to become a nun. The front page of the *Philadelphia Public Ledger* voiced the city's disbelief: "Miss Drexel Enters a Catholic Convent—Gives up Seven Million."

Katherine was to take her vows as seriously as the poorest nuns: sewing her shoelaces back together rather than buying new ones and wearing pencils down to their nub.

And when she took those vows of poverty, chastity and obedience, she added a fourth: "to be the mother and servant of the Indian and Negro races."

She started her own religious order, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament and soon after sent a group of nuns to open her first American Indian school in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Eventually she established 145 missions, 112 schools for American Indians and 50 for blacks.

"She never talked social justice. She lived social justice," said Sister Ruth, a member of the order. "She was the Mother Teresa of her day."

by DAVID O'REILLY

20 YEARS AGO...

The big news

A lovely morning in April 1980, a great commotion shook Kahnawaké. In no time everybody knew the good news: "Kateri Tekakwitha would be beatified on June 24." All the Canadian newspapers spread this good news and the rectory of Kahnawaké became so much alive. A real beehive. Fr Lajoie, Fr Béchar, Mrs Françoise Champagne, Sr Kaye received all kinds of calls. They requested the Oblate Fathers of N-D. du Cap, experts in pilgrimages, to share their know-how. Kateri was a Mohawk virgin, but all the Indians of America claimed belonging to her family, as proud as they were to see their little sister rise to so high a rank. From Vancouver to New Mexico, from Texas to Ontario, came the same questions: how can we get to Rome and how can we obtain passports? Till the departure time, on June 20th, everyone worked overtime to be ready in time. Only when the bus left Kahnawaké for Mirabel did they start breathing normally. A huge Boeing of Air Alitalia would take them to Rome – 64 pilgrims from Kahnawaké and 45 from Saint Regis.



Kateri's tomb.

Fr Henri Béchar, the vice-postulator of the time, had foreseen this declaration, what invited him to erect Kateri's tomb right in the church. A beautiful marble tomb – gift of the Daughters of Isabella. Bishop Coderre of Longueuil came to Kahnawaké to seal Kateri's remains, put them inside the tomb and bless the monument on Nov. 1st 1972.

Kateri with three others introduced as "Blessed to the World."

The Church has declared to the world that Kateri Tekakwitha is blessed, that she lived a life on earth of exemplary holiness and that she is now a member in heaven of the Communion of Saints who continually intercede with the merciful Father on our behalf.

Her beatification should remind us that we are all called to a life of holiness, for in Baptism God has chosen each one of us "to be holy and spotless and to live through love in his presence" (Eph 1:4). Holiness of life – union with Christ through prayer and works of charity – is not something reserved to a select few among the members of the Church. It is the vocation of everyone.

My brothers and sisters, may you be inspired and encouraged by the life of Blessed Kateri. Look to her for an example of fidelity; see in her a model of purity and love; turn to her in prayer for assistance. May God bless you as he blessed her. May God bless all the North American Indians of Canada and the United States.

Special Papal audience

On June 24, in the afternoon, the Pope granted a special audience to the Indian pilgrims. He ended his short address this way:

In a solemn ceremony in St. Peter's Basilica on Sunday, 22 June, Pope John Paul II proclaimed five new Blesseds in the presence of thousands of the faithful from all over the world. After the Gospel the Holy Father preached the following homily.

"O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures for ever" (Ps 135 [136], 1).

This exalting invitation of the Psalmist to unite, all of us, in glorification of God, for his infinite goodness and mercy, is taken up today by the whole Church, overflowing with joy because she can bow to venerate five of her members raised to the honours of the altars by means of Beatification and, at the same time, can present them to the imitation of the faithful and the admiration of the world. They are a Jesuit, the "Apostle of Brazil", Joseph De Anchieta; a missionary mystic, Mary of the Incarnation (Guyart); a Franciscan tertiary, the founder of the Bethlehemite Congregation, Peter De Betancur; a bishop, Francis De Montmorency-Laval; and a young Redskin maiden, Kateri Tekakwitha.



Kahnawaké and the diocese celebrate

Returning from Rome, it was natural that the Mohawks of Kahanawaké honor their blessed Kateri. Invited by Bishop Hubert, the Indians of Kahnawaké along with many faithful of the diocese came to Kateri's Shrine on June 29.

As the church was not large enough, the people first came to the tomb for a prayer, then followed the Knights of Columbus behind the Kateri School where the Bishop celebrated a thanksgiving Mass. After this main event, Bishop Hubert handed the medal of Diocesan Merit to the two groups most involved in this celebration: the Knights of Columbus and the Daughters of Isabella. At the same time, he honored Frs Lajoie and Béchar, Albert Lazare, Mrs Annie Lahache and Annie Two-Rivers. Meanwhile, in the Kateri Hall, was shown the TV film of Kateri's beatification to everyone.

On all faces beamed the joy and pride of seeing their little sister declared Blessed, waiting for the Cause to reach its final step: Saint Kateri Tekakwitha.

Jacques Bruyère s.j.

THE INVENTION OF THE BOW AND ARROW A TRADITION



Long ago, the Onkwehonwe, the Natural People, did not have the bow and arrow as a weapon- At that time, the spear was the common weapon used in the hunt.

One day, a young hunter whose name was Okwironito left his village in search of a Bear. His only weapon was a long spear, tipped with flint. Okwironito walked a long way. He saw no signs of Bear. After a while, the thought came to him that perhaps he would find a Bear in a thickly-forested glen that was not far away. In this particular place, there were wild Grape vines. It was at the time of the Moon of Falling Leaves (around October). The Grapes would be ripe, and the Bear would no doubt be eating them.

Okwironito was not wrong in his guess. As he entered the thickest part of the glen, he caught sight of a huge black figure. It was Okwari, the Bear, and he was busy eating wild Grapes. From time to time, he would grunt little squeals of pleasure as he gulped the wild Grapes down. The young hunter crept very close. He was almost within reach of the bear. Quietly, he raised the spear for the death stroke. Then something happened.

As Okwironito was about to throw the spear, his foot slipped on a rock, and he fell sprawling to the ground, almost under the Bear's claws.

With a startled grunt, the hunter looked up. He still held the spear, but now he was in no position to throw it. Okwari,

the Bear, ordinarily would have run away from a human hunter, but the sudden appearance of the young man startled him, and instead of running away as most black Bears would, he turned and started for the hunter.

Okwirono did not take long in getting to his feet. With one jump he was on his feet, and in a moment was heading through the forest. The Bear, seeing that the hunter was running from him, gained courage and quickly took after Okwirono. For a little while, the two, the hunter and the Bear, kept the same speed, but in a short time, the Bear gained rapidly on the hunter.

Okwirono knew that in a very little while, the Bear would get him and that probably he would be torn to pieces. He thought of his wife and son waiting at home for his return. This thought made him determine to kill the Bear, or die in the attempt. Turning quickly, he made ready to throw his spear, but the end of the spear had caught on a twisted grapevine which was clinging to the top of a small ash sapling. The hunter tried to pull the spear free from the vine, but he only succeeded in bending the sapling.

The Bear was almost upon Okwirono. The hunter made one more effort to pull the spear loose. As he tugged at the spear, he pulled the sapling to the ground. He did not wait long. With a startled yell, he let

the spear go and turned to run. He had not run many steps when he noticed that the Bear was not following him. He looked back. The Bear was on the ground with the spear stuck through his neck. The blood was rapidly reddening the leaves as Okwari gave a few final kicks before death came.

The surprised hunter went back to see what had happened. The spear which had caught on the vine had caused the sapling to bend, thus forming a bow. The vine had been the bow string. When the hunter had pulled the spear, he had caused the sapling to bend. When he dropped the spear, the sapling had sprung upright again. The force of this spring had whipped the vine straight, and at the same time, threw the spear into Okwari's neck.

The hunter again took the spear and put the end of it on the vine. Pulling the vine back, he bent the sapling. When the sapling had bent almost to the ground, he released the spear. It shot through the air – thus the bow was invented.

In time, the Onkwewonwe, the Natural People, made smaller bows out of smaller saplings. Instead of a grapevine bow string, they used one of rawhide. Instead of a heavy spear, they used an arrow, tipped with flint, and winged with feathers. The bow became a priceless weapon for the Onkwewonwe.

How to age gracefully

*Lord, you know, I'm getting on in years and some day I'll be old.
Spare me the bad habit of grumbling
against everything and nothing.*

*Spare me the desire to solve every one's problems
Help me mind others and not be surly, be serviceable not bossy
My wisdom is so vast that I'm tempted to display it all.*

*Lord, you know that I wish to keep my good friends till the end.
Free my mind from endless details.
Give me wings to make a long story short.
Silence me on my discomforts and pains which grow as the
wish to display them increases with time.*

*I don't dare ask a youthful memory
but I beg a bit of humility
and a smile at my memory blanks.
Teach me the wonderful truth that I can err at times.
Help me to remain gentle, for a grumpy old man is a pest.*

*Give me this gift of seeing what is good where it is unexpected
and above all, Lord, of not missing the chance of saying so.*

*Take, o Lord, all my liberty, my memory, my intelligence,
all my willpower.
All I have, you gave it to me; let me give it back to you.
So you may use it as you will.
Grant me simply to love You; help me with your grace.
I need nothing more.*

St Anthony's Messenger.



PRESENTATION OF THE "LILY OF THE MOHAWKS" BY THE POPE, AT ROME, ON JUNE 24, 1980

This wonderful crown of new Blessed, God's bountiful gift to his Church, is completed by the sweet, frail yet strong figure of a young woman who died when she was only twenty-four years old: Kateri Tekakwitha, the "Lily of the Mohawks", the Iroquois maiden, who in seventeenth-century North America was the first to renew the marvels of sanctity of Saint Scholastica, Saint Gertrude, Saint Catherine of Siena, Saint Angela Merici and Saint Rose of Lima, preceding the path of Love, her great spiritual sister, Thérèse of the Child Jesus.

She spent her short life partly in what is now the State of New York and partly in Canada. She is a kind, gentle and hard working person, spending her time working, praying and meditating. At the age of twenty she receives Baptism. Even when following her tribe in the hunting seasons, she continues her devotions, before a rough cross carved by herself in the forest. When her family urges her to marry, she replies very serenely and calmly that she has Jesus as her only spouse. This decision, in view of the social conditions of women in the Indian tribes at that time, exposes Kateri to the risk of living as an outcast and in poverty. It is a bold, unusual and prophetic gesture: on 25 March 1679, at the age of twenty-three, with the consent of her spiritual director, Kateri takes a vow of perpetual virginity, as far as we know the first time that this was done among the North American Indians.

The last months of her life are an ever clearer manifestation of her solid faith, straight-forward humility, calm resignation and radiant joy, even in the midst of terrible sufferings. Her last words, simple and sublime, whispered at the moment of death, sum up, like a noble hymn, a life of purest charity: "Jesus, I love you."

John Paul II

The one-eyed woman: a living legend.

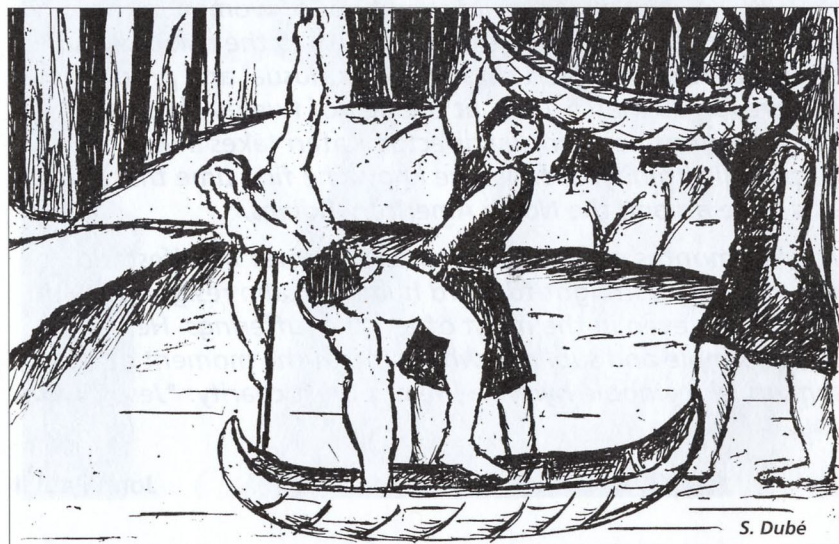
Here's a very colorful character at the borders between legend and reality: "the one-eyed woman". She lived in Laprairie, P.Q. when the mission existed, in the second half of the 17th C. This one-eyed woman was an Iroquois of the Mohawk nation or Kanienkeha. Her nickname had been given her by the French of Laprairie, because of an accident in her youth, in which she lost an eye. She was very conversant with healing plants. Because of that, the French were inclined to see her as a witch while the Indians looked upon her as a wise woman.

The one-eyed woman came to Kentake(Laprairie) around 1671, along with many others

of her own people. She had decided to leave her village of Gandaouage (Fonda), on the banks of the Mohawk River in New York State, because she wanted to embrace the Catholic faith.

Many of her own people probably didn't like her action, for they took away her title of Olander (a high rank), which denotes a person listened to because of her acute mind, her prudence and wise conduct.

Moreover, alcohol and continuous wars disrupted the native way of life. It was to live in peace that she came to the Saint Francis Xavier des Prés (Laprairie) Mission where she lived all by herself in a small cabin by Saint Jacques River.



S. Dubé

The Indians arriving in La Prairie

Indian medicine

Among the Odonossone (the Iroquois Confederation) the women's occupation was to cultivate plants and so they knew their power better than the men. For this reason Indians and at times Whites came to consult "the one-eyed woman" to alleviate their illnesses. In return, they would give her some corn, tobacco, a bowl, an arrow or whatever.

The one-eyed woman's pharmacy must have included medicinal plants according to what we know of Amerindian pharmacopy; she could possibly use a decoction of elder's bark, of achillea against fever, rhubarb blood root and cyclamen were effective against constipation.

A common practice among the Amerindians was to make the sick person sweat in order to expel toxins. For that elderberry or burdock was used. A small tent was fitted in which they placed red-hot rocks on which water was poured. For physical weakness there was nothing better than ginseng roots. Moreover, the Amerindians always knew how to cure scurvy by using cranberry, purslane, thuya bark and many other plants full of vitamine C.

Gift of clairvoyance

The French would say that the "one-eyed woman" was a witch. It was probably due to her gifts of clairvoyance. It is said that in 1961 she took refuge in the Fort of Laprairie, before the British and Amerindian attacks.

Besides being a part of the legend of Laprairie, the one-eyed woman remained a long time in the collective memory, giving its name to a section of Laprairie. In fact, since the 18th C. one can find the Coast of the One-Eyed Lady (La Borgnienne as the French borgnesse was spelt them). It denoted the present Citière and Magdalen quarters. It most probably was the site of the Amerindian village at the time when the mission existed. It is not by chance that the site is named "The one-eyed woman". It was in memory of a woman who left her mark on her contemporaries, the French as well as the Amerindians.

Charles Beaudry



TOP TEN

RELIGIOUS STORIES OF THE PAST 1,000 YEARS

The events are listed in chronological order:

- Division of Christianity into Roman Catholic and Orthodox Churches, 1054;
- Crusades to the Holy Land, 1095-1291;
- Muslim expansion and conquest of India and the rise of Islamic empires in the Middle East and in parts of Europe, 13th-15th centuries;
- Gutenberg Bible printed using movable type, 1455;
- Protestant Reformation, beginning with Martin Luther's nailing his 95 theses on a church door in Wittenberg, Germany, 1517;
- Ongoing Church patronage of universities, learning, and the arts especially evident, 16th century;
- Colonialism and the Christian missionary effort in North and South America, Africa, and Asia, 16th, 18th, 19th centuries;
- English puritans settle in Plymouth, Massachusetts, seeking religious freedom, a corner-stone of American democracy, 1620;
- Ideas of thinkers—Charles Darwin, Karl Marx, Friedrich Nietzsche, Sigmund Freud, and others—challenge traditional religious belief, 19th century;
- Ongoing persecution of Jews leads to Nazi Holocaust of World War II and eventual founding of State of Israël, 1948.

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The Lily of the Mohawks website.

Bl. Kateri has been on the internet for a few years already. But the "Digital Dreamwatchers" have been working hard recently to put her on a site which will be richer and more exhaustive.

Five local experts have put in a lot of time to realize this project: Lise Peterson, Sharon Creoss, Joanne Jacobs, Peter McGregor and Cony Philipps. They have even travelled to Auriesville, Fonda and Saint-Regis to gather more information and photos on the subject.

The site should be ready by the end of May when you can really navigate.

[www: lily of the mohawks.com](http://www.lilyofthemohawks.com)

Coincidence or what?

Mr Thomas Hardie, from Wickam, England, after a long wait of 20 years, finally made it to Kateri's Shrine in Kahnawaké.

He was a wireless officer in the Merchant Navy when suddenly, aboard a ship sailing by Vancouver Island he felt like a stroke in his head.

The ship happened to dock at Duncan Bay, so he managed to go to a Catholic Church where he met a very patient nun – he spoke to her for three hours. The pastor called them to Mass. The priest had looked for a medal to give him as a souvenir and put it on the missal. When he handed it to him, he realized that it was a medal of Blessed Kateri, who had been beatified two months previously. Sr Anne-Marie explained to him the meaning of the medal and the power of intercession of Bl. Kateri. The Lily of the Mohawks became his guardian angel.

Thomas is convinced that Kateri helped him to find a good doctor and the right medicine. She seemed to watch over him all the time.

After 20 years, on his first trip abroad since 1980, he rushed to Kateri's Shrine in Kahnawaké to thank Blessed Kateri and to ask her favors for so many people back home. The Kateri Center was honored by his visit.

Come again, Tom!

Special ! Special ! Special !

During the six next months, every new subscriber will be receiving a short biography of Blessed Kateri, written by Fr. H. Bécharde in June 1978, two years before Kateri was beatified.

To these new subscribers, may we ask to send us their complete address.

Thanks in advance

Testimonies of favors obtained

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.M.!

The enclosed check is for Kateri's Cause. Through the intercession of Kateri, I have received many favors. Successful surgery, good business deals and many other small favors.
(Biddeford, ME)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. E.C.!

Enclosed is twenty dollars. I want to thank Kateri for a favor received. My daughter went for tests and they came out clear. Thank you Kateri.
(Victoria, Australia)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mls K.B.!

I am getting ready for a trip to Florida. We are leaving this Thursday and will be away for eleven days. My problem was arranging care and boarding facilities for my dog while I am away. I just kept running into all sorts of difficulties and disappointments. I prayed to Kateri and my guardian angel for help. The kennel that I had wanted to use actually phoned me, offering me not one but two choices of boarding options which they said were due to cancellations but I believe there were some other forces at work. Enclosed is a donation of ten dollars as a thanksgiving offering as well as ten dollars for the deceased enrollments ...
(St. Catharines, ON)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. E.P.!

My thanks to Blessed Kateri for favors received in business. (Montreal, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Ms. P.K.!

The enclosed check is for the following order. The remaining amount of one hundred dollars is a thanksgiving offering for the sale of my house through Kateri's intercession. I pray that her canonization will come soon. (Butler, PA)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. B.H.!

Please find enclosed a check in thanksgiving to Blessed Kateri for my healthy eye diagnosis. I also give thanks for my son-in-law's success in obtaining a new job. Please pray for the needs of all my children and grandchildren and I will continue to pray for Blessed Kateri's canonization.
(Hamilton, ON)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, W.M.!

Enclosed is a donation of twenty-five dollars for favors received. Especially safe arrivals of three new grandchildren. I hope this small donation will help further Kateri's Cause.
(Bras d'Or, NS)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. C.D.!

I'm sending you twenty dollars as promised if my little girl would heal rapidly from a severe gastro enteritis. Thanks to Kateri who grants me all that I ask for since many years. I pray every day that she may be canonized as soon as possible.
(Gloucester, ON)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. L.R.!

I'm sending you ten dollars for a favor received. My prayers were answered. My son-in-law had a tumor on his leg and thought it was cancerous. There was no cancer. Thank you Kateri.
(Portage River, NB)!

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J.L.!

I promised Kateri five dollars for the sale of my automobile. Thank you.
(Shawinigan, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. S.J.!

On this special day of St. Valentine when my thoughts are full of love for all those that are dear to me, what's more normal than to think of Kateri and keep my promise to this great friend to whom I pray daily. This promise was the success of a trip down South which was formidable. Thank you Kateri.
(Anjou, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. A.T.!

I prayed to Kateri to help me to sublet my apartment before the end of February. The answer was very fast. On February 15 it was rented. Many thanks to good Kateri I'm sending twenty dollars for her cause and I pray to her every day. Many thanks for your prayers.
(Hull, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J.M.!

Enclosed is a check for twenty-five dollars for a favor obtained from Kateri. She heard my prayers to heal me from a serious urinary infection. Many thanks for this cure. I have great confidence in her and I pray to her every day.
(St. Jean Richelieu, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. P.M.!

I'm sending twenty dollars for a favor obtained through the intercession of Kateri. She protected me in a car accident. I'm also sending another twenty dollars promised if I made a safe trip without problems. I thank Blessed Kateri for watching over me.
(Mont Laurier, QC)

✿ Kateri's smile upon you, Mrs. J.B.!

Enclosed is a check of twenty-five dollars for a favor obtained. For many years I worried about losing my eyesight (as an eye specialist whom I consulted in 1981 told me) as my sight diminished despite the doctors care. Finally after an operation to my two eyes, I can still see and write easily. I always invoke Kateri to preserve me from such an ordeal... and I pray to her every day. Thank you Kateri.
(Rouyn Noranda, QC)

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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.

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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:

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