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The sodalists of the Blessed Virgin of Caughnawaga, Quebec, who are descendants of the earliest Christian Indians in Canada and New York State, have formed themselves into a Guild to spread devotion to Venerable Kateri Tekakwitha.

Our quarterly bulletin KATERI, intends, above all, to tell her tale, to foster devotion to her and to record the favors both temporal and spiritual you receive through her intercession. As a result, it is hoped that the Cause of her Beatification will progress more rapidly.

A one year subscription to KATERI (\$1.00) will enroll you as a member of the Kateri Tekakwitha Guild for one year to share in the daily memento of the V.-Postulator's mass and in a special mass offered each week for your intentions in the old Mission Church of St-François-Xavier.

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Christ was born for us all, for you, for me, no matter what may be the color of our skin. He was born for the rich and the poor, for the sick, and the healthy, for those who weep and those who smile, for the young, and the old, for the saint, and for the sinner.

He was born for Kateri Tekakwitha, who on Christmas Day, 1677, received Him, for the first time into her heart:

"...She was promised for some time before the feast that she might receive Him on Christmas, after she had been instructed in the mystery. She received the good news with all imaginable joy,

prepared herself for the great event with an increase of devotion suitable to the idea she had of it. It must be admitted, however, that it was at this First Communion that all her fervor was renewed. The ground was so well prepared that only the approach of this divine fire was necessary, to receive all its warmth. She approached or rather surrendered herself to this furnace of sacred love that burns on our altars, and she came out of it so glowing with this divine fire that only Our Lord knew what passed between Himself and His dear spouse during her First Communion. All that we can say is that from that day forward she appeared different to us, because she remained so full of God and of love of Him."¹

Since He was born for us all, let us go to Him. A Communion on Christmas Day, as well prepared as Kateri's will also leave our souls glowing, our hearts filled with the true joy that only Christ can give!

JUBILARIAN!

In a recent issue of *The Lily of the Mohawks*, the Rev. Thomas J. Coffey, S.J., American V.-Postulator, requested prayers of thanksgiving for Father Charles Miccinelli, S.J., Postulator at Rome for the Cause of Venerable Kateri at the occasion of his sixty years as a Jesuit. To the Jubilarian go the prayerful good wishes of the 'Kateri' Staff and Subscribers.

(1) *The Life of Katherine Tegakouita by Father Cholene, S.J., 1696*