

## *Kateri and the Blessed Sacrament*

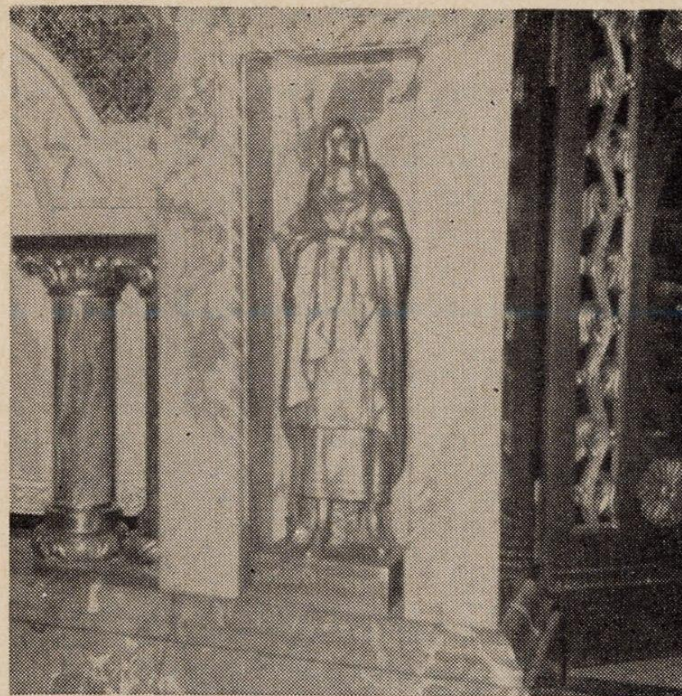
Kateri loved Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Whenever she went to Communion, her friends sought to be near her in church in order to catch fire from the flames consuming her.

Whenever Kateri's friends of today receive Holy Communion, she will let a spark of her love fall into their hearts. The sparks will blaze into a bonfire within them, in their everyday lives and all round about them.

In 1952, the Reverend Ernest Carrier, S. S. S., ordered a Communion rail containing a statuette of Kateri for the beautiful Church of the Blessed Sacrament in Quebec City. Marble, bronze, mosaic went into the railing, planned by Architect Dufresne of Beauport, Quebec, and executed by Professor Erminio Vignali of Turin, Italy.

Father Carrier had the genial idea of making the balustrade into a small iconostasis with eighteen Eucharistic saints and votaries: on the Epistle side—Blessed Peter Julian Eymard, St. Thomas Aquinas, Blessed Marguerite Bourgeoys, St. Joseph, St. Francis Assisi, St. Claire, St. Benedict Labre, St. Juliana, St. Charles Garnier; on the Gospel side—St. John the Evangelist, St. Tharcisius, St. Margaret Mary, St. Alphonsus de Liguori, St. Catherine, VENERABLE



**Kateri Loved Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament!**

KATERI TEKAKWITHA, St. Michelle of the Blessed Sacrament, Blessed Imelda and St. Pascal Baylon.

These statues reveal the skill and the piety of the artist, who consecrated the last days of his life to this work. As Father Aimé Côté, S. S. S., wrote: "They manifest the faith which guided him in the carrying out of what was to be his last masterpiece."

When you visit Quebec, why not go to the Church of the Blessed Sacrament for a few minutes of adoration? If you so request, Kateri will teach you to make the most of the divine Gift of the Holy Eucharist.