



With Kateri
sing joyfully to God:

The Lord
has made known

his salvation!

EACH NEW MOON

During the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries, Kateri was known as "the New Star of the New World": this title refers to all the Americas. Moreover, she was "universally regarded as the Protectress of Canada" as Father Francis Xavier de Charlevoix wrote in 1744. Today, more than ever before, with all the kidnapping and the murdering going on in Montreal, might it not be advisable for Canadians and their American friends to turn to Kateri for help?

Bishop Edwin E. Broderick of Albany assigned September 5, as the "Kateri Day of Prayer." A group, under Father Joseph McBride, United States Vice-Postulator, gathered at Fonda, N.Y., Kateri's baptismal site, for an hour of adoration at St. Peter's Memorial Chapel. A large delegation of St. Regis Indians were present. Fr. M. Jacobs and I accompanied them.

Fr. Thomas Grassman, O.F.M. Conv., the founder and director of the Mohawk-Caughnawaga Museum, Fonda, N.Y., a great friend of Kateri, died on October 1, 1970. He was the author of *The Mohawk Indians and Their Valley*. As Vice-Postulator for Canada, with my good friend Fr. Michael Jacobs,

S.J., the well-known Indian Jesuit, I attended the funeral Mass at the Fonda Shrine.

The next Kateri issue will begin once again to publish letters from our friends. When acknowledging favors to the Lily of the Mohawks, be sure to furnish details. Readers will enjoy them better than a simple "Thank you to Kateri for a great favor!"

Be sure to sign your letters with your full name and to write down your address correctly. If you have not heard from us within two weeks, please advise us.

In a former issue of *Kateri*, I mentioned Evelyn Brown's exceptional translation from the French into the English of the first volume of *He and I*. The second and last volume is now off the press. It will be as popular as the first one, published at Éditions Paulines, 250 N. Blvd. Saint-François, Sherbrooke, P.Q.

To our readers — my heartfelt wishes for your happiness on Christmas Day! Kateri made her First Holy Communion on Christmas, 1678, at the Mission of St. Francis Xavier, today Caughnawaga, P.Q., Canada. Her smile upon you always!
