



Courtesy of Fr. Thomas Westhoven S.C.J.
St. Joseph's Indian School Chamberlain South Dakota

At the end of the audience, stalwart Huron chief, Max Gros-Louis' eyes were full of tears, so great was the impression of the Holy Father upon him. Film star Iron Eyes Cody could think of no better name for the Sovereign Pontiff than "Talking Eyes."

Because of the audience, the Pope's Sunday talk to the people in St. Peter's Square was delayed for half an hour. From the window of his apartment with its red velvet antependium, he spoke to 45,000 people who have patiently awaited him. Thanks to a good microphone, his voice strong and clear was easily understandable. The virtues of the new Blesseds were the subject of his talk, which he concluded with these words: "May God bless the Indian people of Canada and of the United States!"

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

Two summers ago I was visiting my mother, sister, and brother-in-law. I was supposed to spend two weeks. I had been praying five Our Fathers, five Hail Marys and five Glory Be's for about two years. My husband wanted me to go to Long Island to get away from the children after the neurologist had given me a C.A.T. scan. I needed relaxation, my husband thought. Meanwhile, a Christian friend told me to pray to Kateri and ask her to intercede to Jesus so that things would go smoother in my home. After being on Long Island a week I felt it necessary that I return home. I doubled my prayers to Kateri feeling something was wrong with one of my family members. Soon after my husband called and informed my mother that our son had had an accident diving at a friend's pool. He was knocked unconscious and was bleeding from the head. He was taken to the emergency room where 12 stitches were taken, as well as X-rays. The X-rays showed that the first two vertebrae of the spinal cord were separated. Two doctors took his pulse and blood pressure and informed my husband that many times after such an incident the patient is paralyzed or dies. After a reasonable amount of time the doctors decided to discharge him after fitting him to a clavical collar. I returned home within a few days. My son was very, very dizzy and wore his collar for several weeks following the accident. The doctor did not allow him to play football that season although he could play other sports. I feel that it is a miracle that my son is alive and healthy to day and I would like to credit Jesus and Kateri for her intercession, for the miracle.

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