

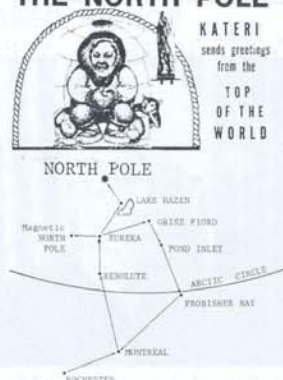
baptism of Miss Staci Lynn *Kateri* Hill. Before leaving for Korea where he had been assigned, with the consent of her people, Father wanted to thus honor Blessed *Kateri* Tekakwitha.

A BLESSED KATERI TEKAKWITHA SCHOOL



On Wednesday evening, April 29, at Orléans, Ontario, the official inauguration and blessing of a new school erected by the Province of Ontario and dedicated to Blessed *Kateri* Tekakwitha took place. The parents had chosen the Lily of the Mohawks as patroness. The principal, Mr. Robert Laplante, said that Blessed *Kateri* was the choice of the parents because she represented a time of great importance for the early Church in Canada; she also drew attention to the native people and their heritage. (See p. 16.)

KATERI AT THE NORTH POLE



Mrs. Anne M. Scheurman of Pittsford, N.Y., a devoted friend of the Lily of the Mohawks, decided to go to the North Pole during Holy Week to deposit a statuette of Blessed *Kateri* Tekakwitha there. (Anne's photos often appear in *Kateri*.) Coming and going, she planned to visit Eskimo settlements in order to propagate devotion to Blessed *Kateri*. She graciously accepted to write the story of her trip for our readers and also furnished the photos to illustrate it. (See p. 24.)

STAINED GLASS WINDOW OF BLESSED KATERI AT ISLETA PUEBLO



Fr. Bernard Loughery, Pastor of St. Augustine's at Isleta Pueblo, N.M., built in 1613 for the Pueblo

Indians, who are still its parishioners, had a stained glass window of Blessed *Kateri* prepared for it. (See p. 23.)

"The Indian concept of religion," he said, "goes very much hand in glove with Christianity as presented by the Catholic Church for 2,000 years. The Spanish missionaries presented Christ as the son of God, and to the Indian mind and culture, that was easy to accept because their idea of God is that He's a great and loving father."

Father doesn't think he's in competition with the religious ceremonies practised in the kiva across

the plaza from the Catholic church.

According to Fr. Loughery, "The Indians look upon the kiva and their customs as the handing down of ancient traditions. Today the Church would be the first to encourage the preservation of those traditions..."

Our sincere thanks to Mr. Bob Harding of Belen, N.M., who informed the *Kateri* Center about the devotion of the Isleta Pueblos to Blessed *Kateri* Tekakwitha. "It's owing to Fr. Loughery," he wrote, "that the Isleta Pueblo has become a focal point of devotion to the Lily of the Mohawks." (See p. 21.)

❖ *Kateri's* smile upon you, Mrs. M.R.!

Enclosed please find my check for one hundred dollars. I had a very problematic digestive condition for several years. I promised *Kateri* to send you this amount recently, if this condition cleared up and it has. She has done many other small favors for me over the years. I will also promise the prayers every day towards her canonization. I think she is wonderful.

(Alexandria, VA)

❖ *Kateri's* smile upon you, Mrs. S.B.!

I promised to publish my thanksgiving and try to spread devotion to *Kateri* if she would help my husband find a job. He did. Also, my son was not feeling well and *Kateri* helped him. I am also sending a donation because my leg has been terribly sore. I am asking her to make it better and not let it be anything serious. I will continue to pray for Blessed *Kateri's* canonization.

(Holyoke, MA)

❖ *Kateri's* smile upon you, Mrs. L.L.!

Please find ten dollars enclosed. I would like five dollars to go for the Church being built in *Kateri's* honor in remembrance of my Father who just passed away. *Kateri* helped us tremendously during his sickness. My Dad passed away without suffering as he was in a coma. I would like the other five dollars to go towards low masses for *Kateri's* help...

(Montreal, P.Q.)

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