

EACH NEW MOON



KATERI'S SMILE . . .

Favors registered at the Kateri Center from April 22 to June 28, 1988:

Alcoholic Problem Solved	3
Articles Found	2
Better Health	11
Business Problem Solved	1
Cures	16
Employment Found or Kept	18
Financial Aid	5
Lodgings	6
Peace in Families	3
Properties Bought or Sold	5
Safe Pregnancies	3
Safe Trips	5
Successful Studies	7
Successful or Averted Operations	9
Temporal Favors	16

TWENTY-FIVE PRAYER PLEDGES OR MORE

Mrs. J. R. L'Heureux, Maniwaki, Qc, 26.

ST. ROQUE GONZÁLEZ AND HIS COMPANIONS



Many of our readers have seen the movie *Mission* in which the work of the Jesuits during the 16th century in the famous Paraguay Reductions was portrayed. Fathers González, Alponse Rodriguez, and John del Castillo gave up their lives for their flock.

Last May during Pope John Paul II's journey to South America, he canonized these heroic missionaries. The Most Reverend Father Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, stressing the importance of the apostolate among the native people, wrote a letter to the entire Society of Jesus, which my Provincial authorized me to reprint. I am delighted to be able to offer it to all Blessed Kateri's friends. (See p. 16.)

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INDIAN PRAYER DAYS AT MIDLAND



At the Shrine of the Jesuit Martyrs, St. John de Brébeuf. St. Isaac

Jogues and their Companions, Indian Prayer Days were held at Midland, Ont. on June 18-19. At Fr. James J. Farrell's invitation, a large group of Objibway Indians along with several people from the Mission of St. Francis Xavier attended. The celebrant of the Sunday Mass was Fr. Henri Béchar, S.J., and the homilist, Deacon Ronald Boyer of Kahnawake, Quebec. Fr. John P. Burns, S.J., who devotes himself to the native North Americans at Thunder Bay, Ont., pronounced his final vows as a Jesuit during the celebration of the liturgy.

A NEW NATIVE BISHOP FOR RAPID CITY, S.D.



Father Chaput was in his second three-year term as elected Provincial Minister of the Capuchin Province of Mid-America at the St. Elizabeth Friary, Denver, Co. when the Most Rev. Pio Laghi, Apostolic Pro-Nuncio to the United States, announced he had been appointed to serve as the new bishop for the Rapid City, S.D. diocese. Being of Native American descent on his mother's side of the family, the Bishop-Elect is an enrolled member of the Prairie Potawatomi. He had been active with the Tekakwitha Conference, an organization for the Catholic native peoples of North America, and on August 10, 1987 addressed the Conference in Bozeman, Mt. His talk appeared in the December 1987 *Kateri*. Bishop

Chaput's episcopal ordination and installation took place on Tuesday, July 26, 1988 at the Rapid City Civic Center. In a recent letter, Bishop Chaput wrote, "The canonization of Blessed Kateri is in my prayers daily." To Bishop Charles Joseph Chaput of Rapid City, with all my heart let me repeat the old Roman wish, "*Ad multos et faustissimos annos*. Many very happy years" at Rapid City! More about the Bishop of Rapid City in the Christmas issue of *Kateri*.

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ST. PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE



On July 3, Blessed Phillipine Duchesne, R.S.C.J., (1769-1852) was elevated to the rank of saint at St. Peter's in Rome. This was a special joy for Catholic Native North Americans, since she reached what she herself considered the high point of her life while living among the Potawatomi people in southwestern Kansas.

Before coming to Indian territory, she had ministered to victims of the French Reign of Terror, joined St. Madeleine Sophie Barat in the early stages of the founding of the Religious of the Sacred Heart, and planted her religious community in the Mississippi