

## EACH NEW MOON



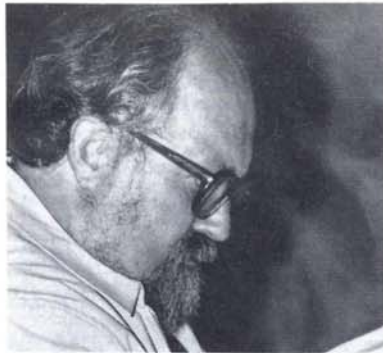
### KATERI'S SMILE ...

Favors registered at the Kateri Center from May 3, to August 23, 1990:

Alcoholic Problem Solved	1
Articles Found	6
Better Health	29
Cures	13
Employment Found or Kept	14
Financial Aid	3
Happy Death	1
Lodgings	5
Peace in Families	2
Properties Bought or Sold	6
Safe Pregnancies	7
Safe Trips	8
Successful Studies	7
Successful or Averted Operations	11
Temporal Favors	11

### TWENTY-FIVE PRAYER PLEDGES OR MORE

Rev. George Coutlee, C.S.S.R., Big Cove, N.-B., 109.



### A NEW PASTOR AT KAHNAWAKE

At the helm of the boat of St. Francis Xavier Mission, there will soon be a new captain, Father Louis Cyr, Jesuit. He is replacing Father Léon Lajoie who served in the Mission as Pastor and Superior, for 28 years. A record, and during all this time, it is he who greeted all his parishioners by "allo, mon capitaine!"

Father Lajoie will remain Superior of the Mission but Fr. Cyr will assume the task as pastor. He is well prepared for this post. He already served temporarily in the church of Kahnawake. Specialist in liturgy, he has already participated in the committee of pastoral liturgy at the parochial and diocesan level.

Moreover he holds a doctorate in music, conducts the choir and plays the organ.

He has special interest in preserving the identity. He will certainly invite the Mohawks to express themselves in their own traditions and customs, so that they will feel in their church. A long and fruitful ministry to the new captain.

### THE BENEFITS OF STUDY

"It's hard when you want something at the store and you can't read the labels," says Joe Archie, age 68, a member of the Canim Lake Band and one of the band's students, taking Adult Education classes, organized by the Jesuit Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington. "We are in a battle and we will only win it with education."

Today, many Indian youth attend the Gonzaga University in Spokane. They know now that they can pull through with a few years of schooling and obtain a diploma. After graduation many go back to their reserves and as tutors try to teach cultural values and traditions to the young.

The university and the reserve, like that of Canim Lake, have spanned the geographic gap (700 miles apart) via electronics: students have access via computer to the card catalogue of Gonzaga's Crosby Library. They send assignments to professors by electronic mail over computer lines and box machines. So Gonzaga University and the Canim Lake Indians are meeting with each other and with success.

Let's hope that many other bands or "tribes" imitate this stretching of hands across so many miles and across two cultures.

### COLLECTION OF INUIT ART

The Cultural Institute and the Ministry of Cultural Affairs of Quebec worked together for the repatriation of 450 sculptures, 150 pieces on paper and 300 artifacts, a collection originating from the Ministry of Indian Affairs of the Canadian North. Avataq, the official cultural organization of the Nunavik, becomes the owner of these Inuit productions of Quebec.

Stage I. All these objects will be stored at the Museum of Civilization of Quebec where they will be entered on an inventory.

Stage II. Sometime in 1992, this collection will be shown in a favorable light, possibly by itinerant exhibitions for the inhabitants of the North.

### WE'RE ON THE PATH TO GOD

At the closing Mass that drew about 2,000 participants, Mr. Burton Pretty On Top, a lay spiritual leader of the Crow Nation, told the 51st Tekakwitha Conference during a pipe ceremony that the gap between Catholic and Native American spirituality is closing, particularly as the magisterial Church begins to reflect seriously on the environmental crisis and the need for ecological spirituality. Native peoples have sustained that spirituality for several thousand years. Native American spirituality is equal to any religion on the face of the earth, for it is also a gift of God.