
a Mass said by one of the Fathers. I said the Mass her husband promised and vowed from his escape from a grave illness, which he had recourse God's Servant to obtain a cure.

In 1694, their daughter Marie then five years old was ill with scrofula of the throat, which was swollen. Her mother had taken her to Montreal where surgeons had treated her for several days without any relief. She finally had recourse to Catherine Tekakwitha and promised God to take her child to the tomb. This she did, had a Mass said, made a novena in which the child was entirely cured of scrofula, though it is a disease incurable in this country.

This very year 1696, in the month of February, their son Jean age five had swallowed a straw that was suffocating him. His mother had him take some water in which she dipped some ashes of the clothing of Catherine Tekakwitha. This made the bit of wheat pass on and be swallowed, although his mother had used every effort to take it from his throat without success.

In 1694, the same woman had a cow which was swelling up before her eyes and which was in danger of bursting. This would have caused considerable loss to the poor family, she recourse to Catherine Tekakwitha to obtain from God through her mediation, cure of the animal, and had me say a Mass for this intention. As soon as she made this promise, the swelling was reduced and the animal was saved.

About August 1695, Louis Fortier, age thirteen, developed an incurable disease. After his father, mother and I had given several remedies that did him no good, sent him to the hospital in Montreal. He was treated there by the doctors and surgeons, but in avail. With tears in her eyes, his mother came to tell me that the doctors despaired of his cure, and begged me to say a Mass to obtain from God the cure of her son through the intercession of Catherine Tekakwitha. This I did willingly after which remedies were effective and he passed a quantity of green undigested fruits, plums, mulberries and thorn apples that through quantity, solidity and their indigestion had caused the mortal malady. Since then he has been well.

In 1684, Lambert Cuellèrier age two, a victim of consumption being but skin and bones, was scarcely able to take any nourishment. When very near to death, his parents took the child to the Church of Saint Francis Xavier, where repose the bones of Catherine Tekakwitha. They placed him on her tomb, had a Mass said there and made a novena to obtain from God the cure of her son through the merits of His Servant. As soon as the novena was finished the child began to feel better and since then he has been, and still is, in perfect health.

In 1690, Joseph Cuellèrier age twelve fell ill and suffered from a languor, as if attacked by consumption that had reduced him to his last extremity. His

father was sent to the Jesuit Fathers for some ashes from the clothing of Catherine Tekakwitha. He made his son take some of this and by this means his son was cured. Since then he has been well.

In 1688, Barbe Brunet age thirteen had been ill for two months of the tertian fever, which had gone into double tertian. No remedy was found to reduce the fever, which had emaciated her until she was like a skeleton. Unable to stand up, take remedies and food, she was ready to die, and was given up by the doctor. Then she was told to have recourse to Catherine Tekakwitha. In fact, she promised to have a novena made at the tomb and go there to offer her devotions. Two days later she began to feel better, her fever left her and she recovered her health. She kept her vow at the tomb.

In 1694 François Roy age seventeen sent for me to give him the Last Sacraments. He had been attacked for three weeks or a month previously by a fever that had reduced him to the last extremity. Remedies were of no avail. I made him promise to make a novena to Catherine Tekakwitha, which he was to say for nine days or have his mother say nine Hail Marys while I would offer the Sacrifice of the Mass on the same nine days. During the novena I had him take water in which I had dipped a little bag with earth from the grave, and ashes from the clothing of Catherine Tekakwitha. Seven days after the novena the fever left him and since then he has not been ill.

Thus far are written in this memoir the miracles and cures which have been effected in this parish during nine or ten years, through the merits and intercession of our protectress and advocate before God, Catherine Tekakwitha, both for me and for the children of my parish. I have perfect knowledge of these things, for I was the promoter and eyewitness. In testimony whereof, I have signed this the 24th of March 1696.

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