



**Mass for Saint Kateri Tekakwitha
Holy Rosary Cathedral
Sunday, October 28, 2012**

Known as the “Lily of the Mohawks”, Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 in Ossernenon (today Auriesville, New York) to a Catholic Algonquin mother and a Mohawk Chief. When she was four years old, her parents and brother died of smallpox. Kateri was also affected by the disease, which left her almost blind and badly scarred her face. She was taken in by her aunts and uncle, who was strongly opposed to Christianity.

When she was 10 years old, her village moved to Caughnawaga (today Fonda, New York). In 1667, her village was visited by the Jesuit missionaries Fathers Fremin, Bruyas and Pierron. From them, she received her first knowledge of Christianity.

When Kateri turned 18, Lamberville arrived to mission in her village. her uncle allowed her to she remained in the Baptism, Kateri lived a life, spending hours in crosses out of twigs. marry, believing that and that no man could heart. Her beliefs were hostility and threats. her Baptism, she fled to Mission, a Christian Kahnawake, Quebec.



Father Jacques de take charge of the Despite his misgivings, be baptized as long as village. Following her pious and faith-filled prayer and fashioning She also refused to she was married to God take God’s place in her met with ridicule, Thus, two years after St. Francis Xavier Mohawk village in

There, she received her first Communion on Christmas Day 1677. She also made a vow of perpetual virginity on the Feast of the Annunciation in 1679. In Kahnawake, Kateri was known for her faith and holiness. She taught prayers to children, cared for the elderly and the sick, and would often attend mass at sunrise and sunset. Kateri’s health deteriorated in the last years of her life. She died of tuberculosis on April 17, 1680, shortly before her 24th birthday, and was buried at St. Francis Xavier Mission. Her final words were: “Jesos Konoronkwa” (“Jesus, I

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Principal Celebrant

THE MOST REVEREND J. MICHAEL MILLER, CSB

Archbishop of Vancouver

Elders Procession and Paddle Song

Prayer: To the One Direction

Tim Michel

ENTRANCE

Around the throne a Glorious Band (CBW III #450)

PENITENTIAL RITE

Kyrie: Missa "Salve Regina" C. Rossini

GLORIA

Missa de Angelis (CBW III #299B)

Gloria in excelsis Deo, et in terra pax hominibus bonae voluntatis
Laudamus te. Benedicimus te. Adoramus te. Glorificamus te.

Gratias agimus tibi propter magnam gloriam tuam.

Domine Deus, Rex caelestis, Deus Pater omnipotens.

Domine Fili unigenite, Jesu Christe.

Domine Deus, Agnus Dei, Filius Patris.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Qui tollis peccata mundi, suscipe deprecationem nostram.

Qui sedes ad dexteram Patris, miserere nobis.

Quoniam tu solus sanctus. Tu solus Dominus.

Tu solus Altissimus, Jesu Christe.

Cum Sancto Spiritu, in gloria Dei Patris. Amen.

COLLECT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Revelation 7.2-4, 9-14

I, John, saw an Angel ascending from the rising of the sun, having the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four Angels who had been given power to damage earth and sea, saying, “Do not damage the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have marked the servants of our God with a seal on their foreheads.”

And I heard the number of those who were sealed, one hundred forty-four thousand, sealed out of every tribe of the people of Israel.

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, “Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!”

And all the Angels stood around the throne, around the elders and the four living creatures; they fell on their faces, before the throne and worshipped God, singing, “Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen.”

Then one of the elders addressed me, “Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?” I said to him, “Sir, you are the one that knows.”

Then he said to me, “These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. Lord, this is the company of those who seek your face.

SECOND READING

1 John 3.1-3

Beloved: See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is.

And all who have this hope in God purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Cantor: Alleluia. Alleluia.

Come to me, all you that are weary and heavy-burdened,
and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

All: Alleluia.

GOSPEL

Matthew 5. 1-12

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you Lord.**

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

HOMILY

The Most Reverend J. Michael Miller, CSB

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in one God, the Father, the almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, and all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
He suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance
with the Scriptures;
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
Who with the Father and the Son he is adored and glorified.
who has spoken through the Prophets.

I believe in one holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and look forward to the
resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come.

Amen.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Ave Maria (Choir)

J. Arcadelt

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

PREFACE

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Missa "Salve Regina" C. Rossini

ACCLAMATION OF FAITH

GREAT AMEN

RITE OF COMMUNION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

SIGN OF PEACE

AGNUS DEI

Missa "Salve Regina" C. Rossini

COMMUNION

Panis Angelicus (Choir)

F. Lambilotte

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

CONCLUDING RITE

BLESSING

V. The Lord be with you. **R. and with your spirit .**
V. Blessed be the name of the Lord. **R. Both now and forever.**
V. Our help is in the name of the Lord. **R. Who made heaven and earth.**

May almighty God bless you: + the Father, + and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen

DISMISSAL

RECESSIONAL

For all the Saints **(CBW III #449)**

*Veneration of the Relic of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha
will be along front altar.*

*After veneration, please join Archbishop Miller for
refreshments in Holy Rosary Hall.*

Litany of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, have mercy on us.
Lord, have mercy on us.
Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.
God the Father of Heaven, have mercy on us.
God the Son, Redeemer of the World have mercy on us.
God the Holy Ghost, have mercy on us.
Holy Trinity, one God, have mercy on us.
Kateri, lily of purity, pray for us.
Kateri, consoler of the heart of Jesus, pray for us.
Kateri, bright light for all Indians, pray for us.
Kateri, courage of the afflicted, pray for us.
Kateri, lover of the cross of Jesus, pray for us.
Kateri, flower of fortitude for the persecuted, pray for us.
Kateri, unshakeable in temptations, pray for us.
Kateri, full of patience in suffering, pray for us.
Kateri, keeper of your virginity in persecutions, pray for us.
Kateri, leader of many Indians to the true faith through your love for Mary, pray for us.

Kateri, who loved Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, pray for us.
Kateri, lover of penance, pray for us.
Kateri, who traveled many miles to learn the faith, pray for us.
Kateri, steadfast in all prayer, pray for us.
Kateri, who loved to pray the rosary for all people, pray for us.
Kateri, example to your people in all virtues, pray for us.
Kateri, humble servant to the sick, pray for us.
Kateri, who by your love of humility, gave joy to the angels, pray for us.
Kateri, your holy death gave strength to all Indians to love Jesus and Mary, pray for us.
Kateri, whose scarred face in life became beautiful after death, pray for us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, spare us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

LET US PRAY

O Jesus, who gave Kateri to the Indians as an example of purity, teach all men to love purity, and to console your immaculate Mother Mary through the lily, Kateri Tekakwitha, and your Holy Cross, Amen.

Kateri Tekakwitha, pray for us.

love you”). Witnesses report that within minutes of her death, the smallpox scars vanished from her face, which then radiated with beauty.

It is believed that since Kateri's death many miracles have been performed through her intercession, with the sick being cured and many prayers being answered. Kateri was declared Venerable by Pope Pius XII on January 3, 1943, and beatified by Pope John Paul II in 1980. On December 19, 2011, Pope Benedict XVI signed a decree officially acknowledging another miracle attributed to her intervention. On February 18, 2012, the Holy Father announced that Blessed Kateri would be canonized on October 21, 2012. She has thus become “the first native North American to be raised to the glory of the altars”.

Today, there are a number of shrines and centres dedicated to Kateri in both the United States and Canada, including the National Shrine of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha at the site of her Baptism in Fonda, New York, the Kateri Centre at her burial site at the St. Francis Xavier Mission in Kahnawake, which today is in the Diocese of Saint-Jean-Longueuil, and the Shrine of Our Lady of Martyrs at her birthplace in Auriesville, New York.

The canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha took place in Rome on October 21, 2012.



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With Thanks....

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Altar Servers

All the many others who donated their time and talent to make this celebration memorable.