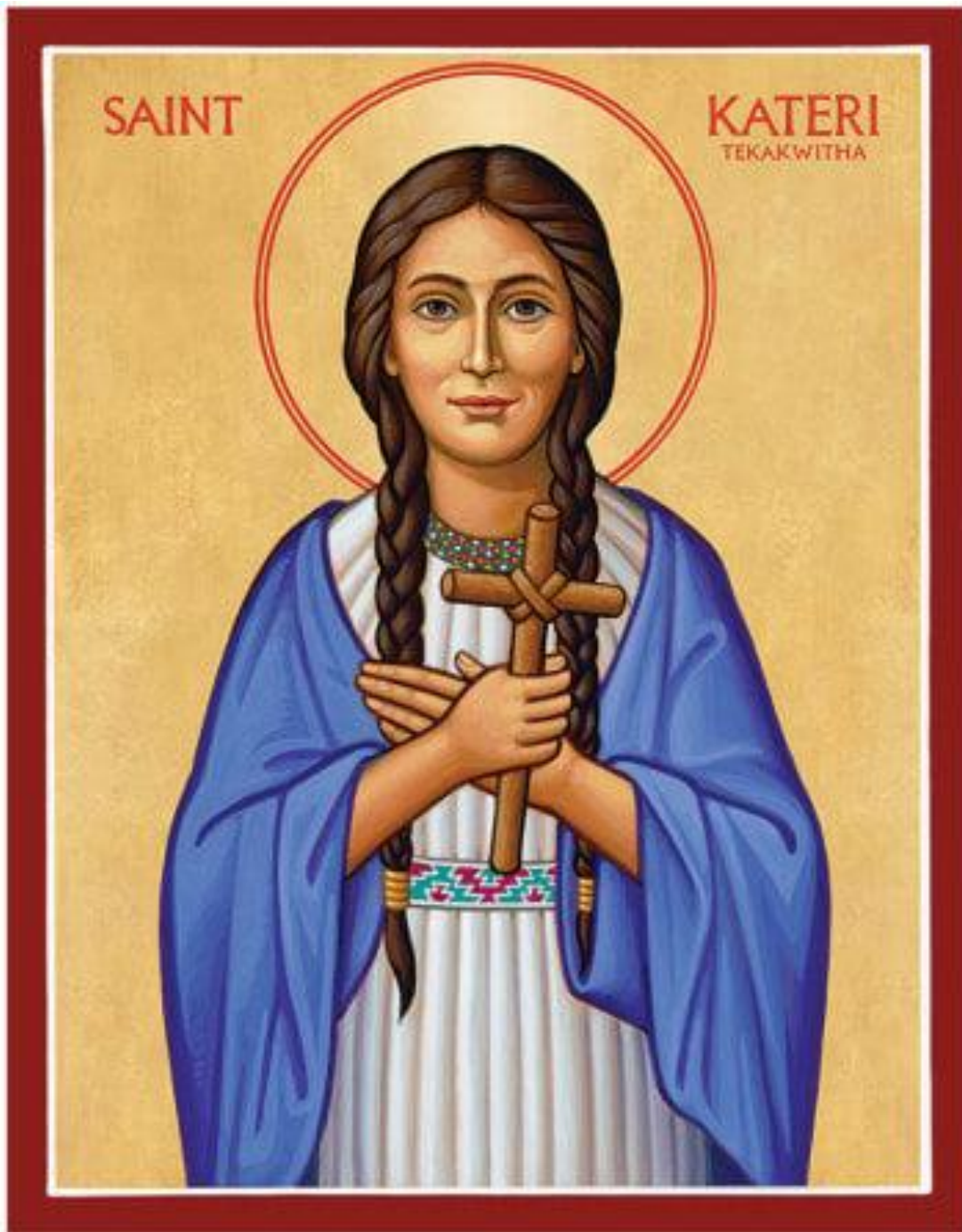


Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, Virgin, 'Lily of The Mohawks' (1656 - 1680 AD)



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"Kateri Tekakwitha, the 'Lily of the Mohawks,' was born to a Mohawk [American Indian] father and a Christian Algonquin [American Indian] mother in the village of Ossernenon [upstate New York, USA].

Shortly after her Baptism at the age of twenty [baptized "Catherine" after Catherine of Siena], she moved to the Saint Francis Xavier mission near Montreal [Canada]. It was said that she know only two paths: to the chapel and to her work.

She lived by the motto, "Who will teach me what is most pleasing to GOD, that I may do it?" The Jesuit Priests of the mission marveled at her deep prayer life, purity and desire for mortification. She died at the age of twenty-four in 1680 and was canonized in 2012."

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l2KLRydh9fY&list=PL58g24NgWPIzvBk2IQVES\\_xC4WTm6-CDI](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l2KLRydh9fY&list=PL58g24NgWPIzvBk2IQVES_xC4WTm6-CDI)

"Here is a wise virgin, from among the number of the prudent, who went forth with lighted lamp to meet CHRIST."

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BBHs2arSEmw>

O GOD, Who desired the Virgin Saint Kateri Tekakwitha to flower among Native Americans in a life of innocence, grant, through her intercession, that when all are gathered into Your Church from every nation, tribe and tongue, they may magnify You in a single canticle of praise. Through our Lord JESUS CHRIST, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in The Unity of The HOLY SPIRIT, GOD, for ever and ever." \* Amen!

Question: In contemplating the life and faith of St. Kateri Tekakwitha, how radical is our own total giving back of our lives to GOD, for The Love of CHRIST?

\*["Saint Kateri Tekakwitha." The Magnificat, Optional Memorial, Entrance Antiphon and Collect. 7/14/2021, p 179.]