

## **Prayer for Kateri's Canonization**

O God, who among the many marvels of your grace in the New World, did cause to blossom on the banks of the Mohawk and St. Lawrence, the pure and tender Lily, Kateri Tekakwitha, grant, we beseech You, the favor we beg through her intercession - that this young lover of Jesus and of his cross may soon be counted among her Saints by Holy Mother Church, and that our hearts may be enkindled with a stronger desire to imitate her innocence and faith. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.

## **Prayer to the Lily of the Mohawks**

Blessed Kateri, you are revered as the mystic of the American wilderness.

Though orphaned at the age of four,  
and left with a scarred face and  
damaged eyesight from illness,  
you were esteemed among the Mohawk tribe.

When you asked to be baptized a Christian  
you subjected yourself  
to abuse by your people  
and were forced to run away.

You endured many trials but  
still flowered in prayer and holiness,  
dedicating yourself totally to Christ.

I ask you to be my spiritual guide  
along my journey through life.

Through your intercession,  
I pray that I may always be  
loyal to my faith in all things.

Amen.