

## ORDER OF CELEBRATION FOR

# *The Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### PRELUDE

*Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578*

Bach

(Noon)

*Te Deum*

Marchand

## THE INTRODUCTORY RITES

### ENTRANCE

*Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

LOBE DEN HERREN

1. Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the  
2. Praise to the Lord, a - bove all things so  
3. Praise to the Lord, who shall pros - per our  
4. Praise to the Lord — O let all that is

king of cre - a - tion! O my soul,  
might - i - ly reign - ing; Keep - ing us  
work and de - fend us; Sure - ly his  
in us a - dore him! All that has

praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!  
safe at his side, and so gent - ly sus - tain - ing.  
good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend us.  
life and breath come now with prais - es be - fore him!

Come, all who hear: Broth - ers and sis - ters, draw  
Have you not seen All you have need - ed has  
Pon - der a - new What the Al - might - y can  
Let the "A - men!" sound from his peo - ple a -

near, Praise him in glad ad - o - ra - tion!  
been Met by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?  
do, Who with his love will be - friend us.  
gain — Glad - ly with praise we a - dore him!

### PENITENTIAL ACT

*"Kyrie" from St. James Mass for Peace*

Herbolsheimer

1. & 3. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

2. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

### DISMISSAL TO THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD (Noon)

GLORIA (Sunday Evening) *Missa de angelis*, **No. 341** in **Worship hymnal**

(all other Masses)

chant, adapt. Lee



Glory to God in the highest,  
We praise you, we bless you,  
we glorify you, we give you thanks  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
You are seated at the right hand  
of the Father,  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
with the Holy Spirit,

and on earth peace to peo-	ple of	good will.
we a-	dore	you,
for	your	great glory.
O God, almighty-	y Fa-	ther.
Lord God, Lamb of God,	Son of	the Father,
have	mer- cy	on us;
re-	ceive	our prayer;
have	mer- cy	on us.
you alone are the Most	High Je-	sus Christ,
in the glory of		
God the Father,	A - -	- men.

## COLLECT

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

## FIRST READING

Wisdom 7:7-11

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

## Psalm 90

Batastini



Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

## SECOND READING

Hebrews 4:12-13

ALLELUIA

chant, Mode VI



Al - le - lu - ia,      al   -   le - lu - ia,              al - le   -   lu   -   ia.

GOSPEL

Mark 10:17-30

## HOMILY

**Father David A. Brant**

## DISMISSAL OF THE CATECHUMENS AND CANDIDATES (10:00 and Sunday Evening)

CREED

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of 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  
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 I look forward to the resurrection  
of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

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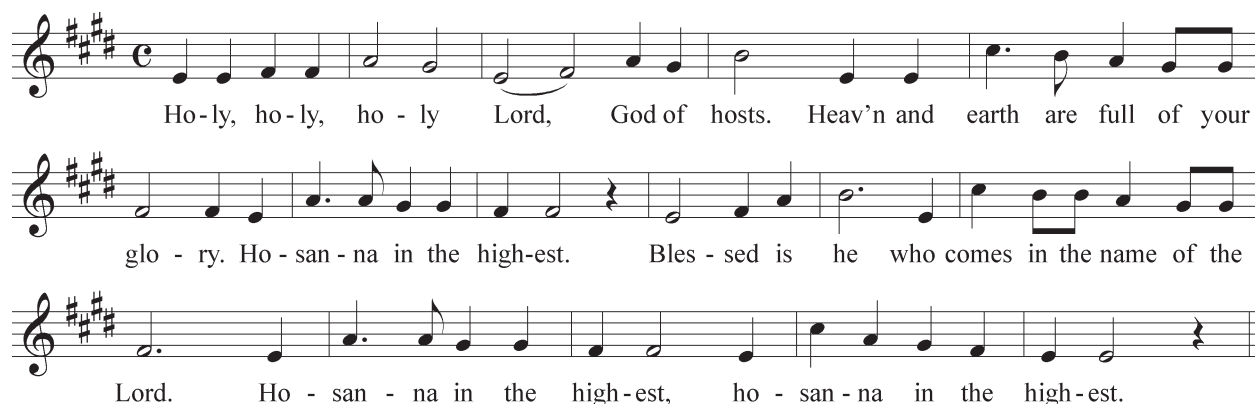
## THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

### PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND THE GIFTS (10:00)

Psalm 42: *As the hart pants*  
Mendelssohn

### SANCTUS

*St. James Mass for Peace*  
Herbolsheimer



### MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

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### AMEN

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## THE COMMUNION RITE

### LORD'S PRAYER

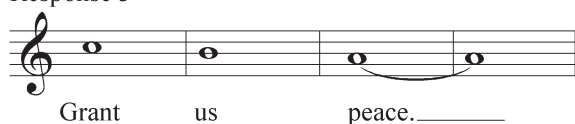
### AGNUS DEI

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Response 1, 2



Response 3



## COMMUNION

Remove from me all scorn and contempt, for I have kept your commandments; for your law is the object of my meditations. chant

(10:00)

*Ave verum corpus*  
Mawby

Upon returning to your place after Holy Communion, please **kneel or be seated**.  
*Low-gluten hosts are distributed at the credence table near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.*

## HYMN OF PRAISE

*Father, we thank thee*  
RENDEZ A DIEU



1. Fa - ther, we thank thee, who hast plant - ed Thy ho - ly  
2. Watch o'er thy Church, O Lord, in mer - cy, Save it from  
Name with - in our hearts. Knowl - edge and faith and life im -  
e - vil, guard it still, Per - fect it in thy love, u -  
mor - tal Je - sus, thy Son, to us im - parts.  
nite it, Cleansed and con-formed un - to thy will.  
Thou, Lord, didst make all for thy plea - sure, Didst give us  
As grain, once scat - ter'd on the hill - sides, Was in this  
food for all our days, Giv - ing in Christ the Bread  
bro - ken bread made one, So from all lands thy Church  
e - ter - nal; Thine is the power, be thine the praise.  
be gath - er'd In - to thy king - dom by thy Son.

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

ANTIPHON IN HONOR OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (10:00 and Sunday Evening)

(10:00)

*Ave Regina Calorum*  
Bertulis

**Please, no applause following this choral prayer.**

## POSTLUDE

*Prelude and Fugue in C Major, BWV 547*

(Noon)

Bach  
*Dialogue*  
Marchand

# St. James Cathedral - Seattle

## ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL

The Most Reverend J. Peter Sartain, Archbishop of Seattle

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The Very Reverend Michael G. Ryan

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### CELEBRATIONS of the SACRAMENTS

#### MASS

Sundays 8 - 10 - 12 & 5:30 pm

Weekdays 8:15 & 5:30 pm

Saturdays 8:15 & "Vigil" 5:30 pm

### LITURGY of the HOURS Weekdays at 12:10 pm

### VESPERS and BENEDICTION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT

Sundays at 4:00 pm.

**BAPTISM** Communal celebrations are held monthly. A preparation program for parents and godparents is required. Please call the parish office for an appointment.

**RECONCILIATION** Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm. A communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated four times yearly in preparation for Christmas and Easter.

**MARRIAGE** A formal program of marriage preparation over a period of several months is required, however, registered parishioners may begin the scheduling process 14 months in advance.

**ANOIDING of the SICK** A communal celebration is held regularly. In other situations (anticipated surgery, emergency) please call the parish office.

**"TAIZÉ" ECUMENICAL PRAYER**, Fridays at 6:30 pm.

**TOURS of the CATHEDRAL** Wednesdays at 1:00 pm. Groups of 4 or more may arrange a tour by calling Corinna Laughlin, 206-622-3559

**CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE** Open 11:00 am to 3:00 pm weekdays, after Masses on weekends. Call 206-382-4500 for information

### ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL PARISH

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**WELCOME!** *If you are a visitor to the Cathedral, we want you to know how welcome you are – whether you have come from another part of the country, from across the world, or simply from another parish here in the Archdiocese. Thanks, in part, to the generosity of visitors like you, we are able to celebrate the Church's liturgy here in a fitting and beautiful way. We are also able to offer a wide range of services to needy people living in the central district of our city.*

**FROM THE ARCHBISHOP** In preparation for the November elections, the Archbishop has asked us to make available a variety of resources relating to the upcoming vote on Referendum 74. Visit the Cathedral website, [www.stjames-cathedral.org](http://www.stjames-cathedral.org), for links to a video statement by Archbishop Sartain and other materials you may find helpful. Printed copies of the materials are also available in the vestibules.

**FLOWERS AT THE ALTAR** are from Ken and Kimberly Meech in loving memory Ken's beloved mother, Aileen E. Meech.

**CATHEDRAL ESPRESSO** is back from its summer hiatus! Please come by after the 10:00 Mass. All proceeds for the month of October benefit the Winter Shelter. The Espresso Ministry is also looking for volunteers willing to run the cart after the noon Mass. *Information*, Katherine Berry, 425-772-0897.

**VATICAN II LECTURE SERIES CONTINUES** On Monday, October 29, at 7:00pm in Cathedral Hall, we will be privileged to welcome Father John O'Malley, SJ, the nation's foremost historian of the Second Vatican Council. He will help us answer the question "What Happened at Vatican II?" This is the seventh in our eight-part series celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Council. The series concludes on Thursday, November 15, with a lecture by Father Michael Raschko.

**OUR NEXT ST. JAMES FILM OFFERING** is on Tuesday, October 30 at 7:00pm in Cathedral Place. We will watch *Sun Come Up*, an Academy Award nominated documentary short that will give us a glimpse into the human face of climate change. The film follows some of the world's first "environmental refugees" – the relocation of a community living on a remote island chain in the South Pacific. The evening will be co-hosted by Patty Bowman and TerryAnn Bowen, and will include an opportunity for discussion of the issues. Popcorn and lemonade will be provided and you are welcome to bring your favorite movie treats. *Information*, TerryAnn Bowen 206-382-2018 or [tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org).

**PARISH REMEMBRANCE** *Throughout the year, because we are the Cathedral Church, we remember in prayer at Mass and Vespers each of the parishes and missions of the Archdiocese of Seattle on a Sunday near their feast day. This week we remember in prayer the parishes of Our Lady of Fatima, Our Lady of the Lake, and Our Lady of Mount Virgin in Seattle; and St. Edward in Seattle and Shelton.*

**SOLEMN MASS OF ALL SOULS WITH MOZART'S**

**REQUIEM** Friday, November 2, 7:30 pm. If you would like to remember someone in the printed program or be a patron, please put your donation in an envelope marked "All Souls Patron" and drop it in the offering basket or send to the parish office. Be sure to include the name of the person you want to remember, as well as your name and address. *Information*, Music Office, 206-382-4874.

**WILL YOU ASSIST A PERSON WHO WANTS TO BECOME CATHOLIC?**

We continue to have new inquirers coming to participate in our Christian Initiation process to learn more about the Catholic Church (RCIA). We need St. James parishioners to be companions with our new inquirers to help welcome them to our community. The time commitment is reasonable – two Wednesday evening sessions a month. *Information*, TerryAnn Bowen 206-382-2018 or [tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:tbowen@stjames-cathedral.org).

**REACH OUT TO SOMEONE WITH HIV/AIDS** I was ill and you looked after me. (Mt 25:36) St. James partners with Rosehedge Multifaith Works to provide practical and emotional support to people living with HIV/AIDS or recovering from addiction. CareTeams consisting of 4-7 cathedral parishioners build supportive relationships with CarePartners, helping with simple tasks such as shopping, light cleaning and transportation to appointments. Orientation for new volunteers will be held Saturday, October 27th from 8:45 am to 5:00 pm at Rosehedge Multifaith Works, 1401 East Jefferson Street, Suite 401, Seattle. *Information* Caitlin Lanigan, 206-382-4235 or [clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org).

**COFFEE HOUR HOSPITALITY NEEDS YOU!** Coffee Hour hospitality ministry is in need of extra hands. We are looking for several outgoing people to help with set-up, serving and clean-up for this very important ministry of welcome and hospitality. It is a fun ministry with a small time commitment. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan, 206-382-4235 or [clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org).

**DO YOU KNOW THE MUFFIN MAN?** Every Sunday a team of two pairs up to bake muffins for our parish Coffee Hours. We are need of people to join this fun ministry. If you like to bake and want to help keep the spirits up on Sundays, please contact Caitlin Lanigan, 206-382-4235 or [clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org).

**JUST A FEW SPOTS LEFT!** St. James partners with St. Martin de Porres Shelter to provide overflow sleeping space during the cold winter months. Four nights a week, from October through April, we provide a warm refuge in Cathedral Hall for 10-15 men. Nearly 100 cathedral parishioners serve in our winter shelter, now in its 21st year of operation. Please consider serving as a breakfast cook or an overnight host once month. *Information*, Caitlin Lanigan 206-382-4235 or [clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org](mailto:clanigan@stjames-cathedral.org)

## *Sacred Steps*

### **Sacramental Celebrations at St. James**

**CONGRATULATIONS AND GOD'S BLESSINGS** to *Julie Zubovic* and *Cody Harrold*, married in the Cathedral on Saturday, October 6. Please pray for them as they begin their new life together.

**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL** conferences of St. James thank cathedral parishioners for their generous donations last month. During September we made 48 home visits to our low income neighbors. Your contributions allowed us to help individuals and families pay their rent and stay safely in their homes. In addition, we prevented 8 utility shut-offs, provided food for 23 families, beds and furniture for 11 households, clothes for 5 people, and transportation assistance for 5 individuals. Our priority is preventing homelessness. This makes your contributions go a long way. Helping our neighbors pay their rent is far cheaper than picking up the pieces after they lose their homes. Members of the St. Vincent de Paul Society follow Jesus through service to those in need. Bearing witness to Christ's compassionate and liberating love, we show our commitment through person-to-person contact, making our home visits in pairs. Please consider joining our ministry to the poor among us. *Information*, Rob Millar 206-954-8902 and Tammy Bendix 206-595-9158.

### **DON'T MISS THESE TWO WORLD-CLASS MUSIC**

**EVENTS AT ST JAMES** Saturday, October 20, 8:00 pm: Monteverdi's astounding *Vespers of the Blessed Virgin Mary* with leading regional and international performers conducted by Cathedral Artist-in-Residence, Steven Stubbs. For reserved seats visit [www.pacificmusicworks.org](http://www.pacificmusicworks.org). Then, on Friday, November 17, 8:00 pm, Medieval expert Marcel Peres conducts music from the Camino of Santiago de Compostela celebrating our patron, St. James. Reserved seats: [www.cappellaromana.org](http://www.cappellaromana.org). *For Parishioner pay-as-able passes for any music event*, 206-382-4874.

### *Getting to know Good Pope John*

*Be sure to stop by our new shrine in honor of Blessed John XXIII to offer a prayer to this great saint of modern times.*

When he first glimpsed himself in a full length mirror, dressed in papal regalia, his secretary overheard him mutter under his breath with a smile, "My God, this Pope is going to be a disaster on television!"

*Recounted by Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio*





# Joy and Hope in Christ: Vatican II

Part 18 in a series

October 14, 2012

This year, 2012, marks the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council, which began on October 11, 1962, and closed on December 8, 1965. Throughout the year, we celebrate the Council, and explore its teachings through bulletin inserts, lectures, and a variety of special events. You'll find the entire series at the Cathedral website, [www.stjames-cathedral.org](http://www.stjames-cathedral.org).

## ***Gaudium et Spes*: The Church in the Modern World**

"The joy and hope, the grief and anguish of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted in any way, are the joy and hope, the grief and anguish of the followers of Christ as well. Nothing that is genuinely human fails to find an echo in their hearts" (1). With these sublime words the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, *Gaudium et Spes*, begins. By far the longest of the Council's documents, *Gaudium et Spes* is a far-ranging expression of the solidarity of the Church with the whole human family, with whom the Church both rejoices and suffers, and to whom she proclaims the Gospel of Christ.

### **"Schema 13" becomes *Gaudium et Spes***

Before the Council began, Cardinal Suenens complained to Pope John XXIII that there were too many documents—the bishops had been sent more than 70 different texts to review. The Pope asked Suenens to suggest a way to organize this multitude of text. Suenens proposed that the Church look *ad intra*, at its self-governance, its relationships with groups within the Church, but also *ad extra*, at its relationship with the world. Eventually, these two broad themes would be addressed in two of the Constitutions. *Lumen Gentium*, on the nature of the Church, looks *ad intra*. And *Gaudium et Spes* looks *ad extra*.

The *schema* or draft document was known as "Schema 13" simply because that was the number assigned it in a list of the documents to be discussed by the Council Fathers. Only in the Fourth Session was it finally given a name. The final document is divided into two main parts. Part One is entitled "The Church and Man's Vocation" and deals with the nature of the human person, and the responsibilities of individuals and societies. Part Two, "Some More Urgent Problems," addresses some key issues in the modern world: marriage and the family; culture; economic and social life; the political community; and, finally, the fostering of peace and the establishment of a community of nations.

### **Some Teachings of *Gaudium et Spes***

- There is a deepening dichotomy in the modern world. On the one hand, there is an increasing desire for equality: of poor nations, of women, of workers and farmers. And yet, even as modern communications media bring the world closer together, the divisions between rich and poor seem to be widening and the danger of war seems closer than ever. These stark dichotomies in the world are reflected in the individual, "torn by a welter of anxieties... blurred by materialism." In the face of all this division, within and without, the Church points to Christ, "the key, the center, and the purpose of the whole of man's history" (10).
- Atheism is a growing problem in the modern world, and it is important to understand that many different mindsets may be



described with the same term. Christians have a responsibility to share the authentic teaching of Christ. We need to do this not only with cogent words, but with deeds. The scandalous divisions among Christians, and the hypocrisy that is evident when faith does not permeate the entire life of a Christian, are both contributing factors to the growth of atheism.

- Every person created in God's likeness and is endowed with human dignity. All crimes against life itself, or against the dignity of the human person—murder, genocide, abortion, euthanasia, slavery, prostitution, and so many others—do more damage to those who perpetrate them even than to the victims. While people obviously have different capacities, they are essentially equal: "forms of social or cultural discrimination in basic personal rights on the grounds of sex, race, color, social conditions, language or religion, must be curbed and eradicated as incompatible with God's design" (29).
- *Gaudium et Spes* marks a real development in the Church's teaching on marriage, which is here seen more as covenant than contract. Procreation is not the sole end of marriage: in their mutual love, married couples give witness to the God of love.
- The economy, both on the national and global levels, must be infused with morality. Investment is good, but its chief purpose is to "provide for the future and strike a rightful balance between the needs of present-day consumption, individual and collective, and the requirement of investment for future generations" (70). Those with responsibility in these areas must keep in mind "the pressing needs of underdeveloped countries."
- *Gaudium et Spes* ends with teachings on peace and war. We live in an era when new kinds of weapons bring a new "savagery" to war, threatening "barbarities far surpassing those of former ages" (79). Thus "a completely fresh reappraisal of war" is needed (80), because the very existence of future generations depends on it. The Council condemns the arms race as "one of the greatest curses on the human race" (81) because its effectiveness as a deterrent to war is questionable, and because "the harm it inflicts on the poor is more than can be endured" (81).
- "Frank dialogue" is the means to achieve these ends. "We are all called to be brothers; we ought to work together without violence and without deceit to build up the world in a spirit of genuine peace" (92). There are no easy solutions, but dialogue and honesty are the way to begin.

Corinna Laughlin, Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy

# The Church in the Middle East: From Compassion to Solidarity

For over 50 years **Catholic Relief Services** has been the compassionate hands of the US Catholic Church serving the poor throughout the Middle East. Working closely with Muslims and the diverse Catholic Churches of the region, we help those seeking a way out of poverty, disasters, and violent conflict.

This journey of compassion has led through the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict, the Arab Spring, and war in Syria, and toward a peaceful future built on solidarity with the all peoples of the region.

**Mark Schnellbaecher** has been the regional director for Catholic Relief Services in the Middle East since 2003, from Beirut, Lebanon, leading relief and development work in the Middle East and the Balkan countries of Eastern Europe. He has also served in Thailand, Pakistan, Cambodia, Macedonia, Kosovo and Serbia.



CRS is the official overseas relief and development agency of the Catholic Church in the US. Its mission is based on the gospel of Jesus Christ and Catholic Social Teaching that calls us to respond to the needs of the poor and promote justice in the world through solidarity. CRS serves in 100 countries around the world on the basis of need not creed, race, or nationality.

Monday, October 15, 2012, 7:00 pm

St. James Cathedral Hall

Ninth Avenue and Columbia Street, Seattle

For information: (206) 382-4580 [missionsoffice@seattlearch.org](mailto:missionsoffice@seattlearch.org)



# A NEW SAINT: KATERI TEKAKWITHA

*On October 21, 2012, at St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Benedict XVI will canonize a Native American woman who has been beloved by people in North America and beyond for nearly four hundred years:  
Kateri Tekakwitha.*

## How do you get from blessed to saint?

The road to sainthood begins when a holy person's name is brought before the Congregation for the Causes of Saints at the Vatican. Careful review of the candidate's biography and writings and extensive interviews with any living eyewitnesses follow. If the cause is accepted, the holy person is declared "Venerable" and prayer asking the holy person's intercession is encouraged.

At this point in the process, the Church waits for miracles. A miracle is needed for beatification ("Blessed") and another miracle for canonization ("Saint"). For centuries, the Church has seen miracles worked through the intercession of the holy person as a sign that the person is truly with God in heaven. Just as the life, writings and impact of the holy person are carefully investigated, the miracles are subject to intense scrutiny. Medical records are submitted, doctors, nurses, family, and friends are interviewed, and the complete dossier is then submitted to Rome. When the miracle has been admitted by the Congregation for the Causes of the Saints, the road is open for the canonization of the holy person.

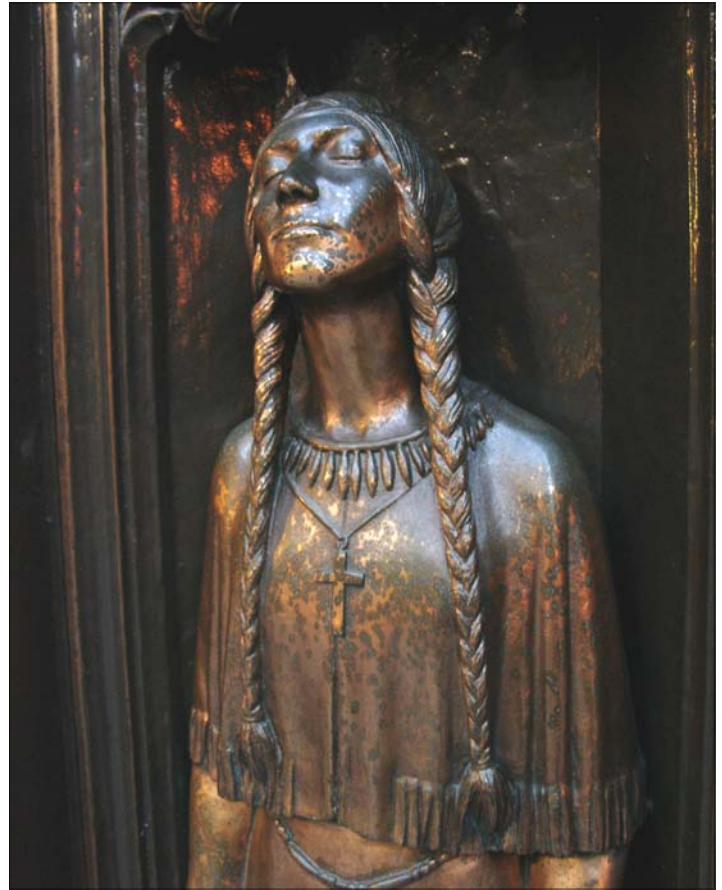
## What miracle led to Blessed Kateri's canonization?

The canonization of Blessed Kateri has special meaning for the Church in Western Washington because the miracle that opened the way for her canonization took place in our own Archdiocese, with the miraculous healing of Jake Finkbonner, a young Ferndale boy who was attacked by flesh-eating bacteria in 2006. (Read Jake's story at the family website, [www.jakefinkbonner.com](http://www.jakefinkbonner.com)) Jake, who is now 12, is a normal kid and a student at Assumption School in Bellingham. He and his family will be present when Kateri is canonized on October 21.

## The story of Kateri Tekakwitha

Tekakwitha was born in 1656 in what is now New York to a Algonquin mother, a convert to Christianity, and an Iroquois father. When she was four years old, smallpox devastated her family and her tribe: in a few days, Kateri lost her mother, her father, and her brother. The disease left her severely scarred and almost blind (her name, "Tekakwitha" or "Tegahkouita" as it is variously spelled, is said to mean "the one who bumps into things"). She was raised by her aunts and uncles. Her situation became difficult when, as a teenager, she refused to marry the young man who had been chosen for her, and even more when, touched by the preaching of the "Blackrobes," the Jesuit missionaries, she converted to Christianity. At her baptism, Tekakwitha was given the name "Catherine" – Kateri.

Kateri endured much mockery and maltreatment for her faith. When she heard of the Mission of St. Francis Xavier du Sault, where she could practice her faith in peace, she left her home and set out on foot. There she spent the rest of her life, living among other Christian converts. She longed to enter religious life, but was not permitted to do so,



*Image of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha on the doors of  
St. Patrick Cathedral, New York City*

though the Jesuit Fathers did allow her to make private vows. She lived a life of profound prayer and severe mortification until her death from tuberculosis at the age of 24, on April 17, 1680. Because of her love of chastity, Kateri came to be known as "the lily of the Mohawks." She was beatified by Blessed John Paul II in 1980, three hundred years after her death.

## A prayer honoring the new saint

O God,  
we thank you for your saint,  
Kateri Tekakwitha,  
and for all the wonders you have worked  
in answer to her prayers.  
Through her intercession,  
gather people from every nation, tribe, and language,  
to praise you in your Church  
in one canticle of praise.  
Through Christ our Lord.

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