Saint Kateri Tekakwitha

(Kuh-TARE-ee Tek-a-QUEETH-a)

Keep this story for the next 3 weeks to complete the activities in this fun pack!

Saint Kateri Tekakwitha was born in 1656 in Ossernenon (today Auriesville, New York). Her father was a Mohawk Chief. Her parents died from smallpox, and Kateri herself caught smallpox but survived. The smallpox left her almost blind and with scars all over her face. She was raised by her aunt and uncle after her parents passed away.

When she was 10 years old, Kateri's village was visited by missionaries who introduced her to Christianity. Kateri was baptized when she was 20 years old. Some of Mohawks in her village opposed her conversion, so she left her tribe and went to St. Francis Xavior Mission, a Christian Mohawk village in Kahnawake, Quebec.

A year after her baptism, Kateri received her First Communion on Christmas Day in 1677. She spent her life in prayer, teaching children, and caring for the elderly and sick. She was also known for living a life of chastity.

On April 17, 1680, just before her 24th birthday, Kateri died from tuberculosis and was buried at St. Francis Xavier Mission. Her last words were: "Jesos Konoronkwa" (Jesus I love you). Right after her death, it is said that Kateri's smallpox scars disappeared from her face and she radiated with beauty.

Kateri Tekakwitha was beatified by Pope John Paul II on June 22, 1980 and canonized as a saint on October 21, 2012 by Pope Benedict XVI. Her Feast day is July 14. She is the patron saint of ecology, the environment, and Native Americans. Saint Kateri Tekakwitha is the first Native American saint.



CreativeWriting

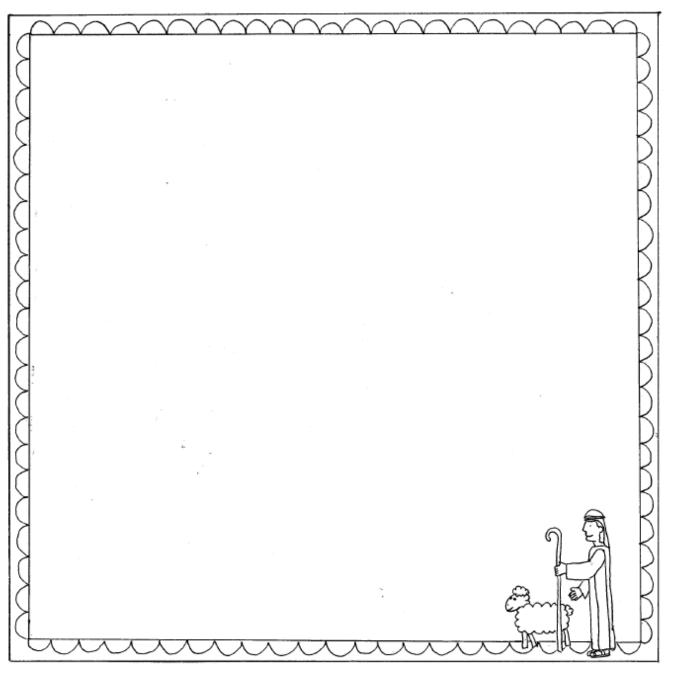
Saint Kateri was known for being very close to God through prayer. Write your own prayer below. Share it with your group or family. If your student is too young for creative writing, have a discussion instead.												
St. Kateri faced criticism and hardships in her tribe because of her Catholic faith. Have you ever faced criticism for something you believe or do? How did you handle it?												

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want; He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters; He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake."

This part of Psalm 23 is very descriptive.

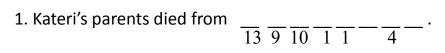
Draw what you think this place would look like. Be creative!



Reading Comprehension

Week 1- Secret Code Activity

Read the Saint Kateri story to help you fill in the blanks below. Use your answers to determine the code, fill in the blanks at the bottom with the correct letters to discover the answer!



FUN FACT: Saint Kateri was known as the

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Language Arts

Weeks 2 and 3- Find the Nouns and Possessive Nouns

Week 2- Circle all the nouns in **BLUE** in the story on the Saint Kateri page.

Week 3- Draw a RED box around all the possessive nouns in the story on the Saint Kateri page.

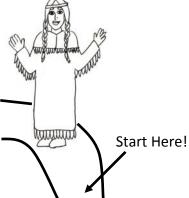
Write your own sentence about Saint Kateri using nouns and possessive nouns. Circle your own nouns and possessive nouns.

Math

Week 1- Skip Counting by Twos

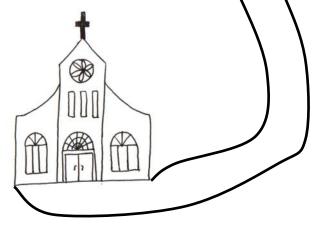
Help Kateri reach the St. Xavier Mission by coloring a path using only multiples 2!

Color St. Kateri and St. Xavier Mission when you're done!



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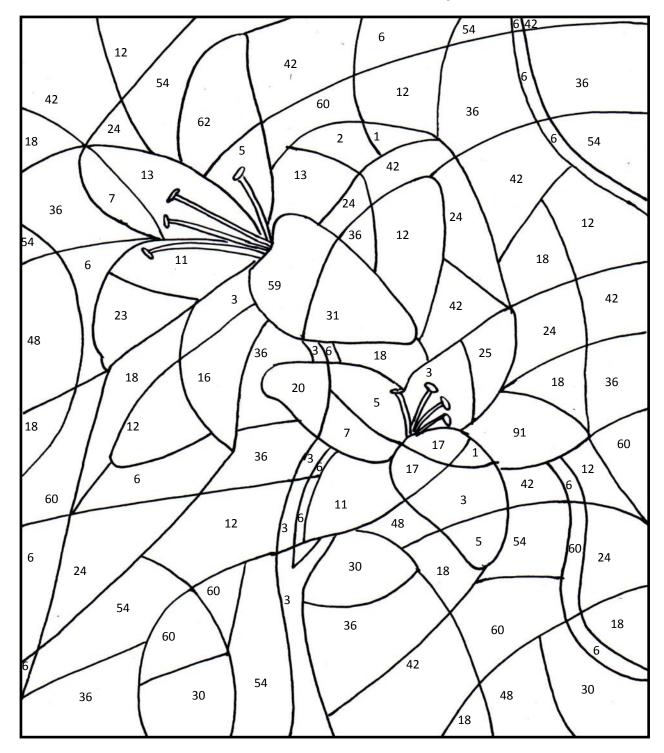
Sing the song while you follow the path!



Math

Week 3- Skip Counting by Sixes

Color all the areas with a number divisible by 6 BLUE.



What do you see?