



*Save resources as a member of the*  
**ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA SOCIETY**



Diocese of Joliet  
Catholic Ministries  
Annual Appeal

Become a member of our recurring giving program, the *St. Kateri Tekakwitha Society*, and do your part to save resources!

***St. Kateri Tekakwitha Society***

St. Kateri Tekakwitha converted to Catholicism at age 19 and is known as the patroness of the environment. She was a member of the Iroquois nation, which carefully managed the fields, forests, and wildlife. A “child of nature,” St. Kateri often spent time in the woods, making crosses out of sticks and talking to God. Hoping to convert others, she became a living Bible — joyfully sharing stories from Scripture and telling of God’s plan for humankind and His love and mercy.

Members of the *St. Kateri Tekakwitha Society* support the Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal (CMAA) with a continuous gift via automatic bank withdrawals or credit card payments. Gifts are monthly and continue indefinitely from year to year until you contact us.

**Why is monthly giving so friendly to the environment?**

- Transactions are paperless.
- Fewer mailings help our environment.
- It reduces the costs associated with mailing, postage and processing — saving paper and fuel.

**How does continuous monthly giving benefit me?**

- Once your recurring gift is set up, we will take care of the rest.
- No more writing checks, paying for postage or making a trip to the post office!
- You can increase, decrease, pause, or stop your donation at any time.
- You will receive one consolidated contribution statement listing your donations for tax purposes each January.

**How do I join the *St. Kateri Tekakwitha Society*?**

- Check the recurring giving option on the enclosed pledge card.
- Visit [www.jolietdioceseappeal.org](http://www.jolietdioceseappeal.org), click “Donate” and choose the recurring giving option.