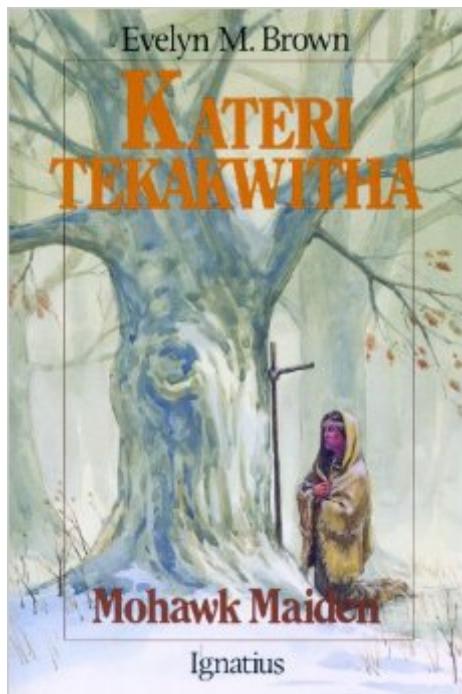


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# Kateri Tekakwitha: Mohawk Maiden (Vision Books)



## **Synopsis**

This book is from the famous line of Vision books of saints that are one of the most popular and well-told series of stories for young people. This is the inspiring story of Saint Kateri Tekakwitha, a holy young Indian woman who was converted to Christianity by the French missionaries led by Saint Isaac Joques during the 1600s. Kateri's mother was a very devout Christian woman who, after being captured by the Iroquois, was not allowed to baptize her daughter. Kateri's whole family died of smallpox, and she was adopted by a chief who was very anti-Christian. When she was baptized and converted by the missionaries, Kateri became ostracized from the tribe. With the help of the priest, she made a daring escape, and thereafter lived a life devoted to God. Denied her desire to become a nun, she declined marriage and lived as a single woman with deep faith, offering her sufferings and life to Christ. She died at the age of twenty-four and is affectionately known as the "Lily of the Mohawks." Kateri was canonized by Saint Pope John Paul II in 2012.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

This bio of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha tells her story in prose that will be an easy and engaging read for kids 10 and up. I read it to my two oldest children (8 and 7) and they enjoyed it very much. From what I know of Kateri's history, the story is very faithful to the facts, adding embellishments only as

appropriate. I particularly appreciated that the author used many of the actual Indian words in the text, though they caused me severe tongue-twistedness on occasion. Here are some examples: Onsengongo (Kateri's uncle), Ononthio (Great Mountain, the name the Indians used for the French governor in Quebec), Kanawaki (another name for the Mohawk town), Ondessonk (Indian name for St. Isaac Jogues). This gave the text a great deal of authenticity. The author also worked a useful phonetic pronunciation of Kateri's Indian name into the text (Te-ka-kweeta) which is so often mangled by us pale-faces. I highly recommend this book. It is excellent for reading with your kids and may give them an interest not only in this outstanding example of Christian piety, but also in the history of colonial and native America.

What a wonderful book. It was such a quick and easy read. The story was a beautiful one and moved me. After reading about Tekakwitha's life I will be taking her name for my confirmation. I was very touched and moved by the story.

JMJ9 year old:"I like that as a child Kateri was willing to offer up her mother, father, and younger brother to make a sacrifice to God and how as she grew up she was willing to suffer for her heavenly Father. I recommend this book to everyone young or old."10 year old:"It was alright. I liked that she was willing to suffer for God. A few parts of it were boring and some words I didn't understand so it made it a little complicated to read. I recommend it to others because I think other people should read about saints."12 year old:"I think it was a wonderful story. I was quite amazed at how brave Kateri was and how much she was willing to suffer for Our Lord. She was very enthusiastic for becoming a Christian and endured much suffering because of this. She is a great saint for us all to admire. I recommend this book for all people."

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