





17th CENTURY — NEW FRANCE

NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS

1642-1649









*“This is the land God
gave to Cain.”*

**JACQUES CARTIER, EXPLORER
16th CENTURY**



“If to me Canada is a holy temple and a most sacred spot that God has built for me in this world, the Huron region is its holy of holies.”

**CHARLES GARNIER,
JESUIT MISSIONARY
17th CENTURY**



**JEAN DE
BRÉBEUF**

1593-1649



*We must have a
sincere affection for
the savages...*

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF

*Instruction for Fathers of the Society of
Jesus who Will Be Sent to Live and Work
with the Hurons (1637)*



“You may have been a famous professor or an outstanding theologian in France...”

“The Huron language will be your St. Thomas and your Aristotle...”

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
Relation, 1634



*'Twas in the moon of wintertime
When all the birds had fled
That mighty Gitchi Manitou
Sent angel choirs instead
Before their light the stars grew dim
And wandering hunters heard the hymn
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born
In excelsis gloria*



JEAN DE BRÉBEUF

Christmas Carol in Huron Language



“*[The Hurons] have
recourse to the Sky ...*

We remark :

God's omnipotence...

God's immensity...

God's wisdom...

God's goodness...

God's beauty...

”

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
Relation, 1636



*“Some of our
Frenchmen must here
correct the notion they
have had of our
Savages...”*

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
Relation, 1637



*“Our Fathers buried
him with as much
solemnity as they
could...”*

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
Relation, 1637

**MARTYRDOM OF
JEAN DE BRÉBEUF and
GABRIEL LALEMANT
1649**



“*It is better, in my opinion, while one is still in France, not to think either of the Hurons, or of [other Indian tribes], or even of converting the Savages, but to take up the Cross wherever Jesus Christ shall offer it to us.*”

PAUL LE JEUNE

Superior of the Jesuits in Quebec – Relation, 1637



“Jesus Christ is our true greatness...”

If we have found Jesus Christ in His Cross, we have found roses among the thorns, sweetness in bitterness, everything in nothing at all.

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF

Instruction for Fathers of the Society of Jesus who Will Be Sent to Live and Work with the Hurons (1637)



*“Never will this field
produce fruit except
through mildness and
patience; for one
should never expect to
force it by violent and
arbitrary action.”*

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF
*To the superior general of the
Jesuits (1636)*



A map of the United States and Mexico. The state of California is highlighted in red. The rest of the United States is shown in light gray with white state boundaries. Mexico is shown in dark gray. The Hawaiian Islands are shown to the west of the mainland.

ALTA
CALIFORNIA

BAJA
CALIFORNIA

MEXICO

ALTA & BAJA CALIFORNIA — 18th CENTURY



**JUNÍPERO
SERRA**
1713-1784

Retrato del Rev. Padre Fray Junípero Serra. Apostol
de la Alta California, tomado del original que se conserva en
su Convento de la Santa Cruz de Querétaro.

Don J. M. Lozada pintó



FRANCISCAN MISSIONS IN CALIFORNIA, 18TH CENTURY

*“One of the Founding
Fathers of the United
States.”*

POPE FRANCIS

Statue of Junípero Serra
National Statuary Hall, Washington, D.C.



“He rekindled in his heart those desires which had stirred him as a novice but which had become deadened because of his preoccupation with study.”

**FRANCISCO PALÓU,
SERRA'S FELLOW MISSIONARY**



“
*I beg you once again to
comfort my parents. I
know they will be greatly
affected by my leaving...*
”

JUNÍPERO SERRA
To his cousin, August 20, 1749

*Retrato del Rev. Padre Fray Junípero Serra. Apostol
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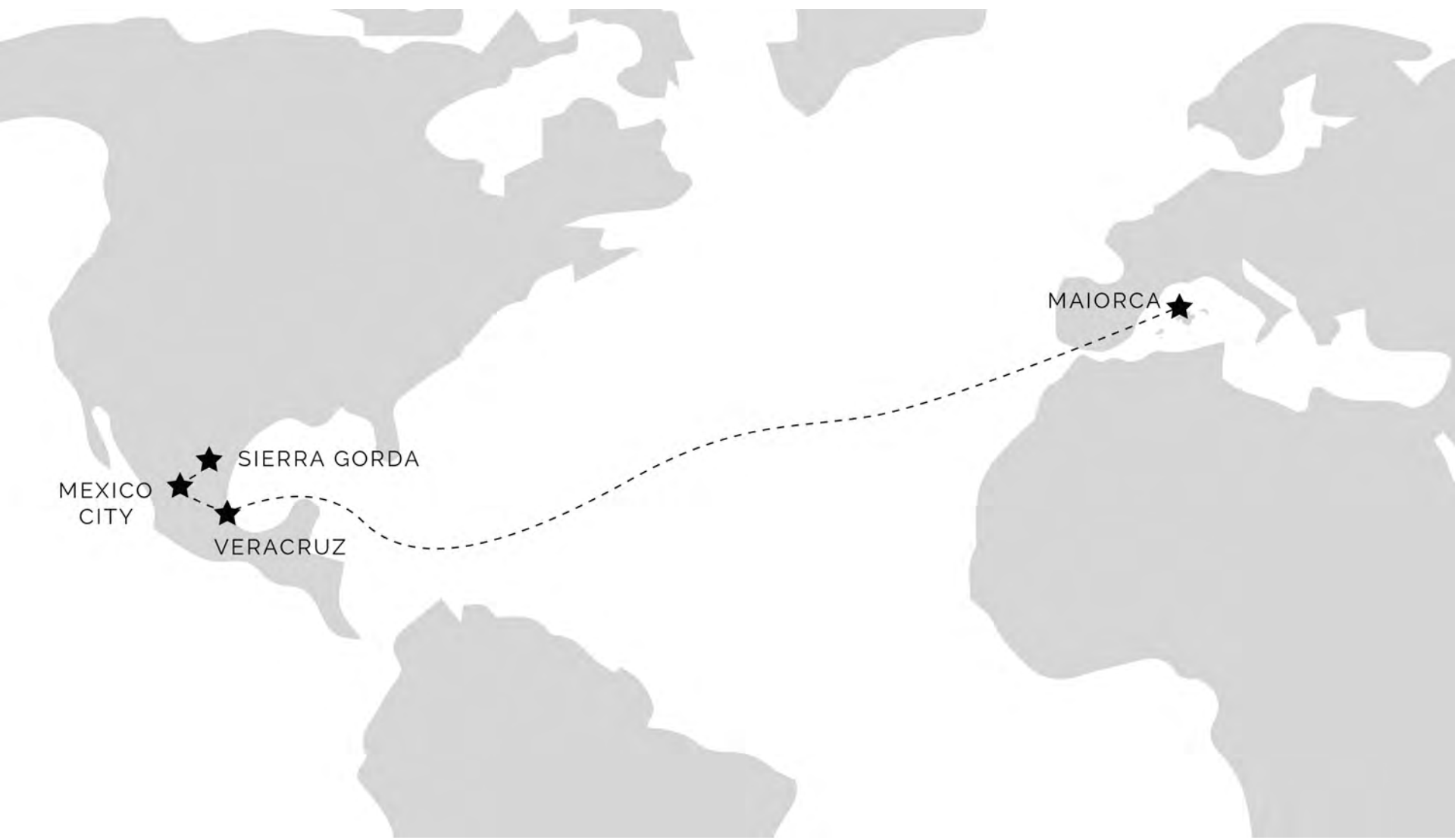


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“
*I remember when
my father had that
very serious illness,
and they gave him
the last rites...*
”

JUNÍPERO SERRA
To his cousin, August 20, 1749



MEXICO
CITY

SIERRA GORDA

VERACRUZ

MAIORCA



*Even though we
have seen many
Indians, we have
not seen so many
gathered together
in one place as we
have here....*

JUNÍPERO SERRA
To his cousin, August 20, 1749

Ein Californier. Eine Californierin .



MISSION SAN GABRIEL
FERDINAND DEPPE, C. 1832

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nad desde la mar a la tierra, causa q... la jornada, q' a lo mas parece seria 3
tres horas, nos salio a algo mas de cinco en cuyo fin nos tamos en la ori-
lla El parage. El puerto (no lejos de su boca) donde estava dado fondo los dos
Pagubotes Sn. Carlos y S. Antt.º El 1.º de los quales nos salieron con la lan-
cha a dar labien venida, ahũq' bien poco nos detusimos informados de q' se
llegar al Real, donde estava acabada la expedicion de tierra y con ella los
quatro P. Compañ. y ahũq' quasi todos los de los barcos, nos faltava cerca de
una legua; seguimos pues, y en fin llegamos a dho Real q' ya empezava
a flamar. Injision poco antes el medio dia sobre dho. Real fue nra lle-
gada con salud de todos, felicidad y contento al farnos y dezado,

“The door is open for this work, thanks to the interpreters, which we were lacking before. With the knowledge and help of the interpreters, the religious missionaries are beginning to learn the various languages...”

THE OUR FATHER IN IMAGES



“DELIVER US FROM EVIL...”





MISSION SAN JUAN BAUTISTA, *Winter Solstice*
© Ruben Mendoza



PRESIDIO SANTA BARBARA, *Winter Solstice*

© Ruben Mendoza

Women of California Frontispiece to Vol. I.



Men of California.

I have no doubt that with regard to the punishment we are discussing, there probably have been some irregularities and excesses on the part of some Padres. We all run this risk...

JUNÍPERO SERRA

To the Governor of California, January 7, 1780

Women of California Frontispiece to Vol. I.



Men of California.

“*And I believe
everyone realizes
we love them...*”

JUNÍPERO SERRA

To the Governor of California, January 7, 1780

**After an attack by a large group of Kumeuyaay Indians
resulting in the destruction of the Mission San Diego and the
death of one of the Franciscan Padres.
13 December, 1775**

*“The Padre has been killed, the mission has been
burned down, and its many, beautiful ornaments,
sacred vessels, images, and baptismal, marriage,
and burial records have been destroyed...”*

*Let the murderer live so he can be saved, which is
the purpose of our coming here and the reason for
forgiving him...”*

JUNÍPERO SERRA
To the Viceroy of New Spain, December 15, 1775

DEATH OF JUNÍPERO SERRA

1784





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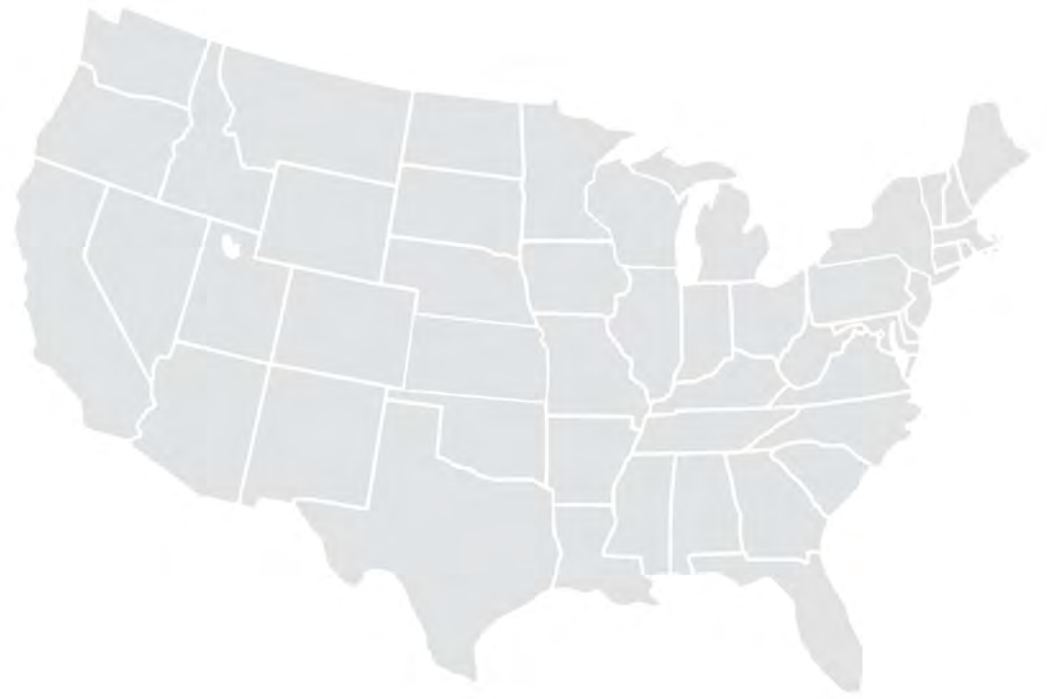
Siempre adelante!

”

Retrato del Rev. Padre Fray Junípero Serra. Apostol
de la Alta California, tomado del original que se conserva en
su Convento de la Santa Cruz de Querétaro.

Don J. M. Lozada pintó





Kamehameha I (1736-1819)

**NATIONAL
STATUARY HALL
WASHINGTON, D.C.**



Damien de Veuster (1840-1889)





Mattie Brown, Paris

Missionaries of the
Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary



1863 - 1864

A five-month long trip to Honolulu

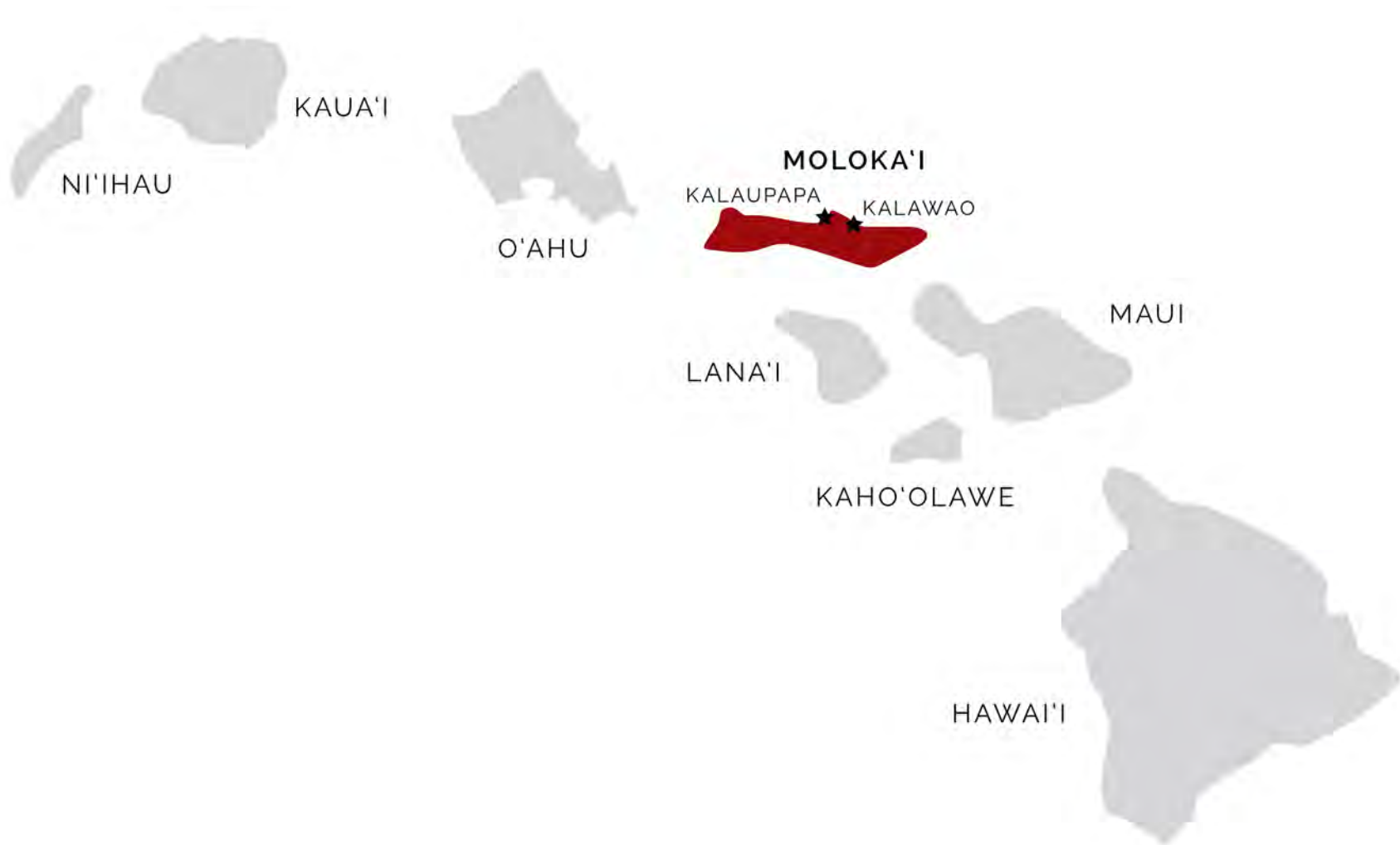


Volcanokou - Hawaii

“
It is impossible to express how immensely happy a missionary is when he sees the new land that he must water with his sweat to gain uncivilized souls for God.

”

**TO HIS BROTHER
PAMPHILE**
August 23, 1864



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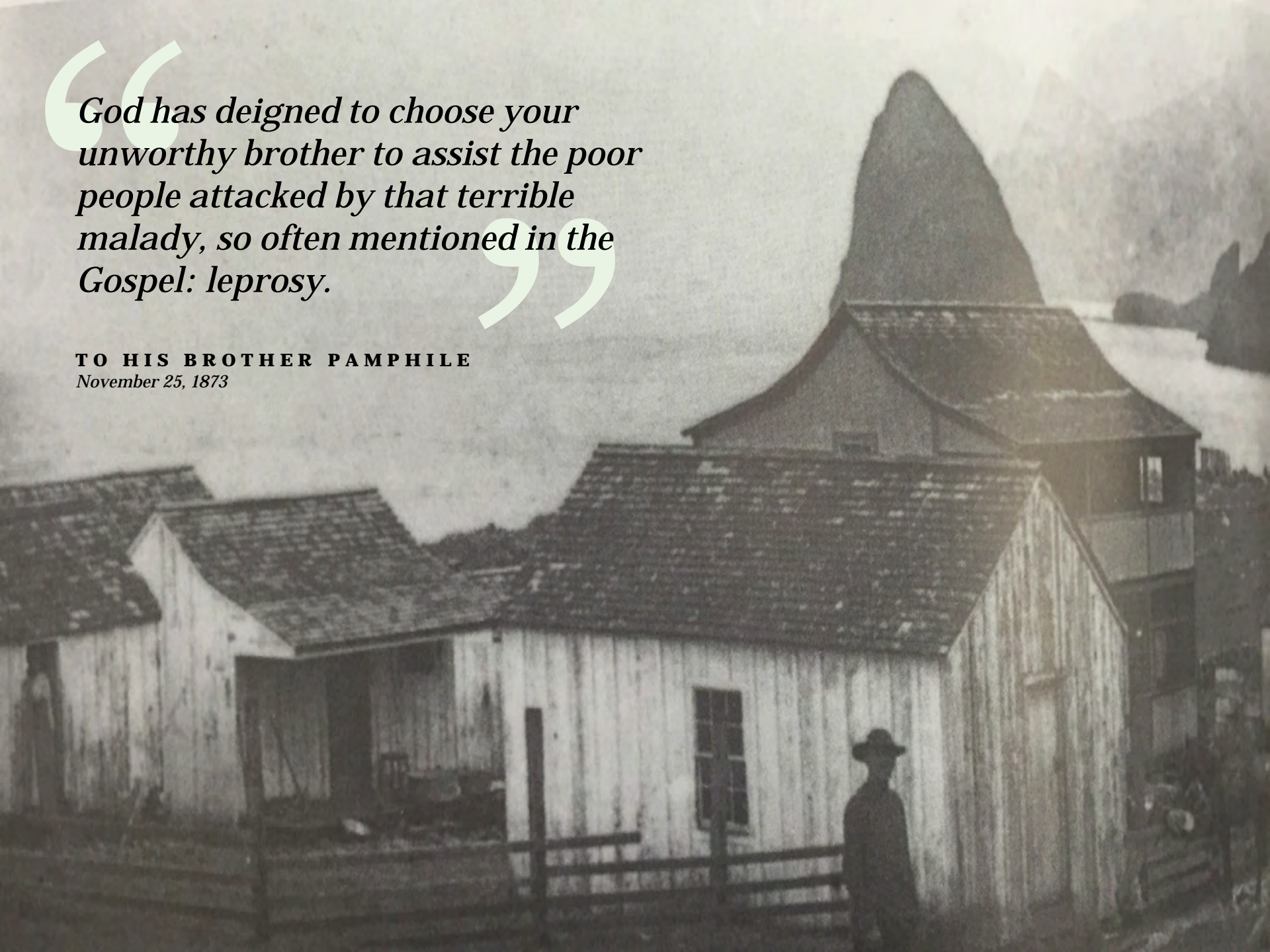
HAWAII

“And if a noble Christian priest, pastor or sister should be inspired to go and sacrifice a life to console these poor wretches, that would be a royal soul to shine forever on a throne reared by human love.”

Nuhou, 1873

“God has deigned to choose your unworthy brother to assist the poor people attacked by that terrible malady, so often mentioned in the Gospel: leprosy.”

TO HIS BROTHER PAMPHILE
November 25, 1873



“Leprosy, as far as is known, is incurable...”

TO HIS BROTHER PAMPHILE
November 25, 1873



“Don't touch them, don't let them touch you, and don't eat with them!”

“As for me, I make myself a leper with the lepers, to gain all for Jesus Christ. That is why in preaching, I say, We lepers, not, My brethren, as in Europe.”

TO HIS BROTHER PAMPHILE

November 25, 1873





*Here is Damien, Our father,
His eyes are like the first
glimmer of dawn,
Clear and sparkling
Upon seeing him, fond
memories come to mind.
We are all like a family, with
one father.*



EIA A'E O DAMIANA KA MAKUA O KAKOU
Song in Hawaiian, dedicated to Fr. Damien

I always have our Lord in the Tabernacle. In fact, without the Blessed Sacrament a position like mine would not be tolerable. But having our Lord with me, I am always happy, and work cheerfully for the relief of the unfortunate lepers.

TO HIS BROTHER PAMPHILE
November 25, 1873





DECEMBER 1884

We lepers



I was quite vexed the other day to find they had begun to dig a grave just by the large cross, in the very spot which I had so long reserved for myself!

**TO HIS BROTHER
PAMPHILE**
January 31, 1880





*My greatest happiness is to serve the Lord in His poor
and ill children, the leftovers of society*



Philadelphia City Hall clock tower

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THE WILMA THEATER

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With Love in 2020

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"Enough opinions already. I need advice."

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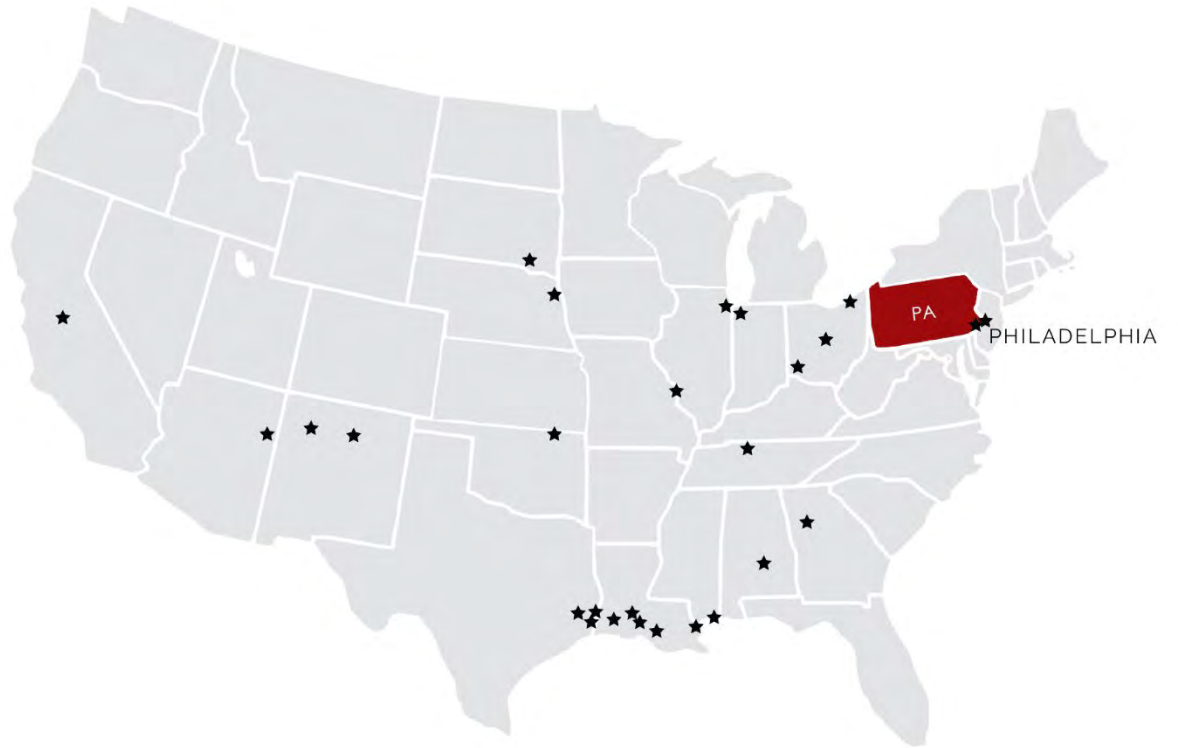
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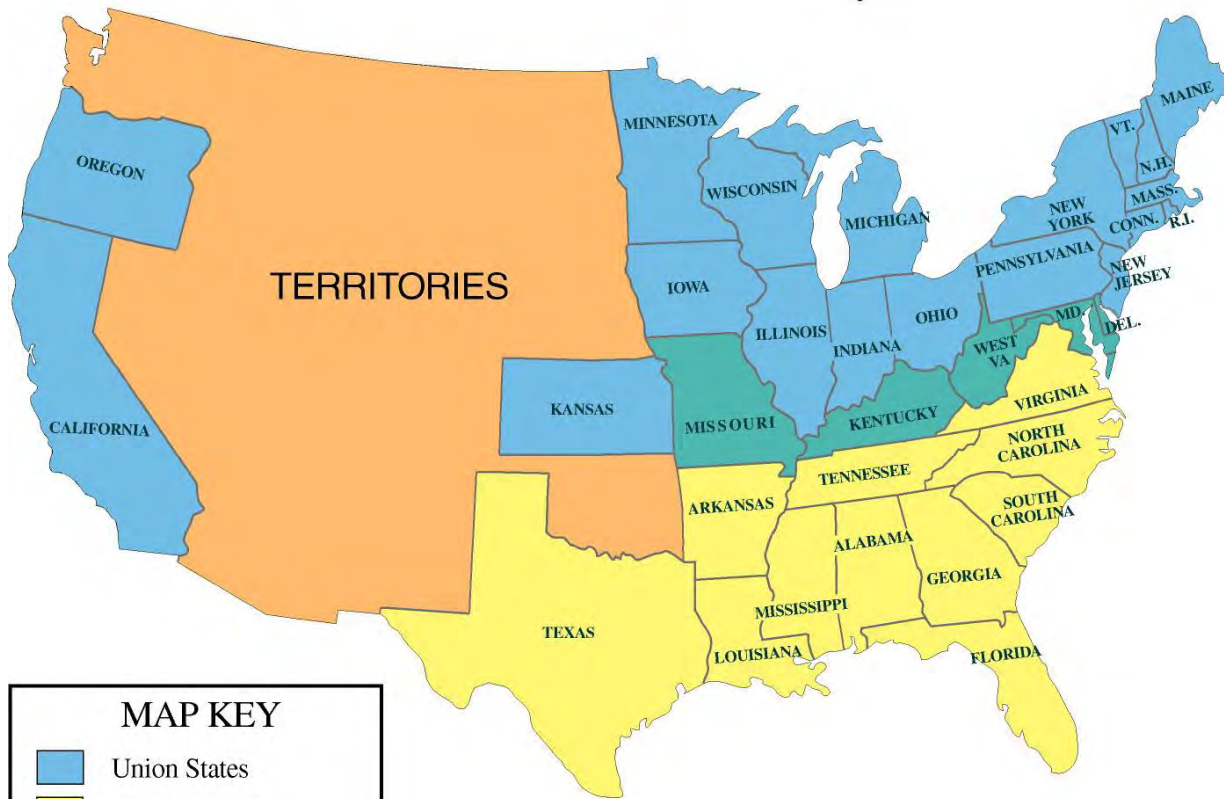
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KATHARINE DREXEL — 1858-1955

AMERICAN CIVIL WAR

1861-1865



MAP KEY

- Union States
- Confederate States
- Border States

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REST ROOMS

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B & O RAILROAD

HARPER'S WEEKLY.



Vol. XIV.—No. 708.] NEW YORK, SATURDAY, JUNE 18, 1870. [PUBLISHED FOR THE PROPRIETOR, BY JAMES COOPER, 237 NASSAU ST., N. Y.]

ON THE WAB-PATH.

On the first of the present week a special delegation of Indians, headed by Commissioner Frazier, at Washington, for the purpose of negotiating with the Indians relative to the Treaty of the Redoubt. The English names of the principal men are Redoubt, Mountain Chief, and many others. One Chief, who for more than twenty years has been the head chief of the Three Mountains, is a man of fine

calm countenance, six feet tall, and large in proportion. Indeed there is not a small man in the delegation; but in every other respect the chief of these humanity dwells every where in regard to the "white man" which may have resulted from Indian customs. Large, round noses, prominent cheek bones, deep-set eyes, and every magnitude of features, are the characteristics of the party. The women are particularly ugly, with long, straight noses, wide mouths, and big feet. They are all

apparently dressed in Indian style. All wear splendid beaded robes, ornamented with new military cut jewelry. The chief of this tribe in Washington is a man of great power and influence. In a conference with Commissioner Frazier, Secretary Fish, and his associates in recent years. The great success, he said, does not follow in every case, and that confidence in the government is not following at varied times, and that white men, wherever they can find any

influence or gain, come to the Indian land and take the Indian's money and other possessions. The Commissioner promised that these promises should be retained, and given the delegation some excellent advice in regard to fighting and warlike.

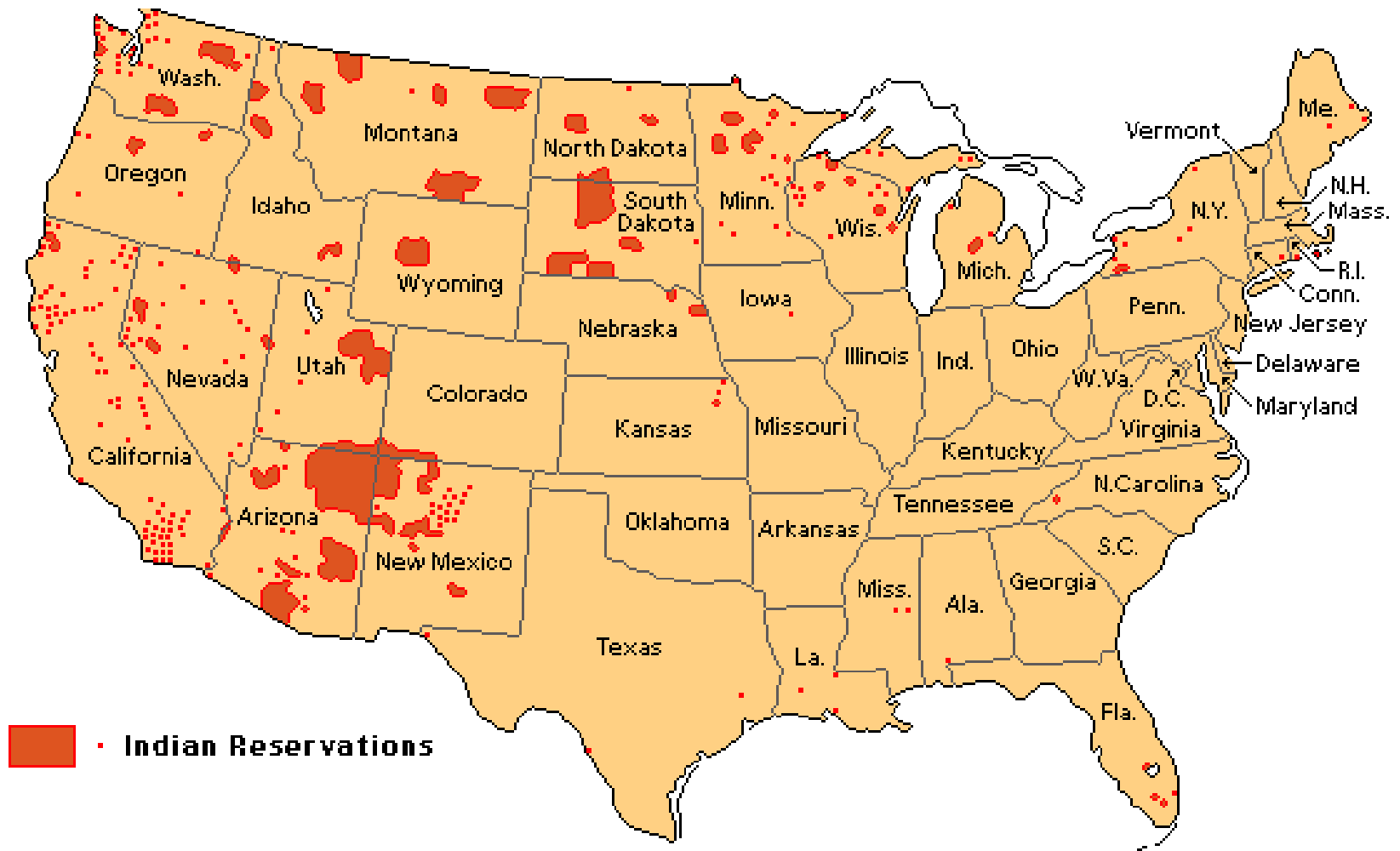
While the members of the delegation are in the hands of the government at Washington, their business in the West has suddenly stopped on the way. Chief Mountain, who commands the military force at



THEY IN HAVE PEACE.—(Drawing by C. G. SHERMAN.)

PEACE POLICY 1870

INDIAN RESERVATIONS – 19th CENTURY



“KILL THE INDIAN, SAVE THE MAN”







**FRANCIS
ANTHONY
DREXEL
(1824-1885)**

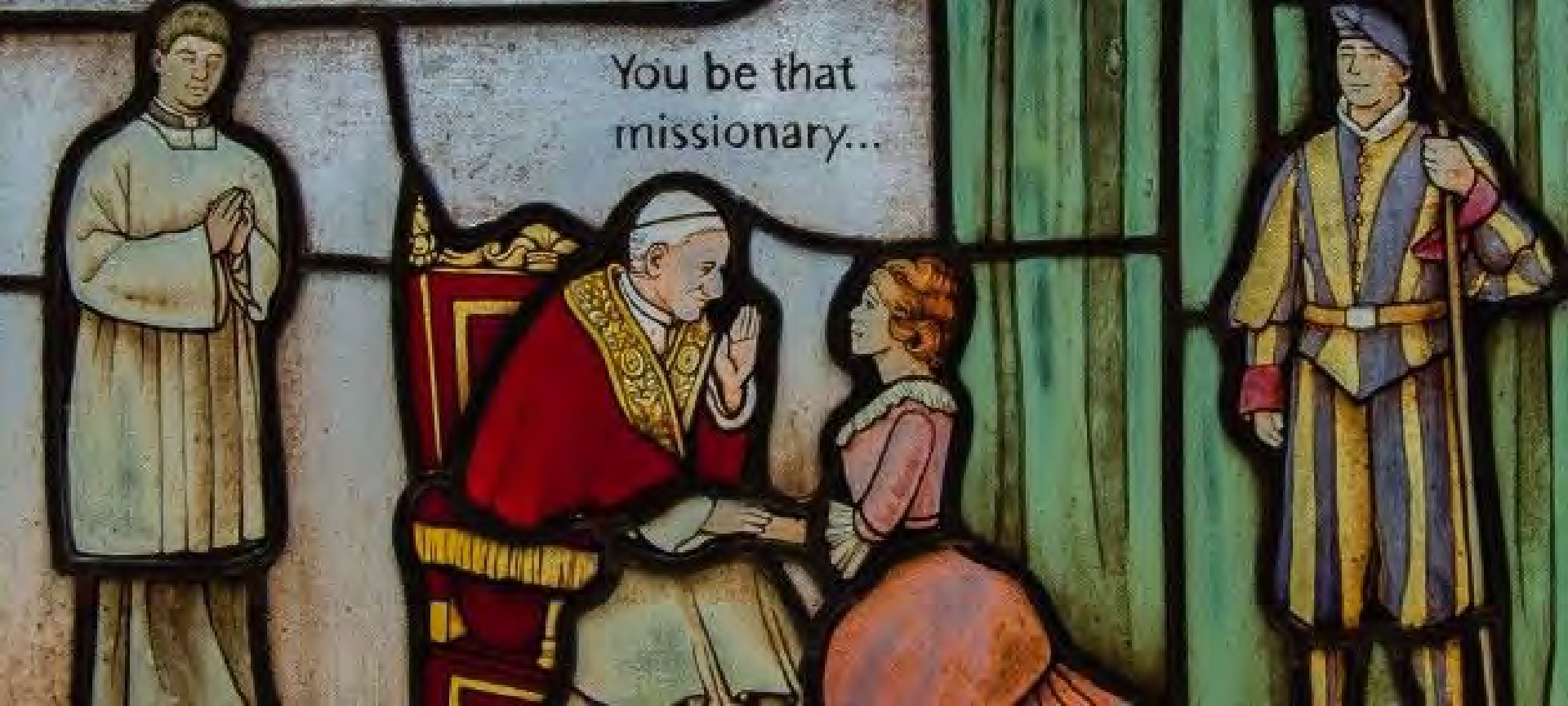


*“To the extent that I can
read my own heart, I
am not happy. I have a
void within that only
God could fill...”*

KATHARINE DREXEL
1883



**PRIVATE
AUDIENCE WITH
POPE LEO XIII**
January 27, 1887



“To my astonishment His Holiness responded, “Why not, my child, yourself become a missionary?””



**SISTERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
FOR INDIANS AND COLORED PEOPLE**

1894



“
*Find Jesus in the
representatives of
Himself, the children He
has placed under your
care...*

*Thus Jesus will be
praised and served by
you everywhere and in
all...*”

KATHARINE DREXEL

To the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, 1907

More than 50 missions, with schools, churches, colleges, and centers of professional formation





St. Michael Indian School, Arizona, 1902

The Navajos are a nation of farmers and shepherds [...]. I thought that for them an industrial school [would be a good idea], where you can teach agriculture, shoemaking, and metallurgy.



Visiting the Navajos in Arizona, 1927







VAN DER ZEE
N.Y.C.
1912



“
*Sometimes it is
fitting that we find
no place for us or for
our work...*”

KATHARINE DREXEL

To the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, July 14, 1905



Beaumont, Texas, 1920

**Xavier University's First Campus
New Orleans, 1915**



Xavier University – Class of 1933



*God's greatest work on earth is man;
man's master art is leading men to God.*



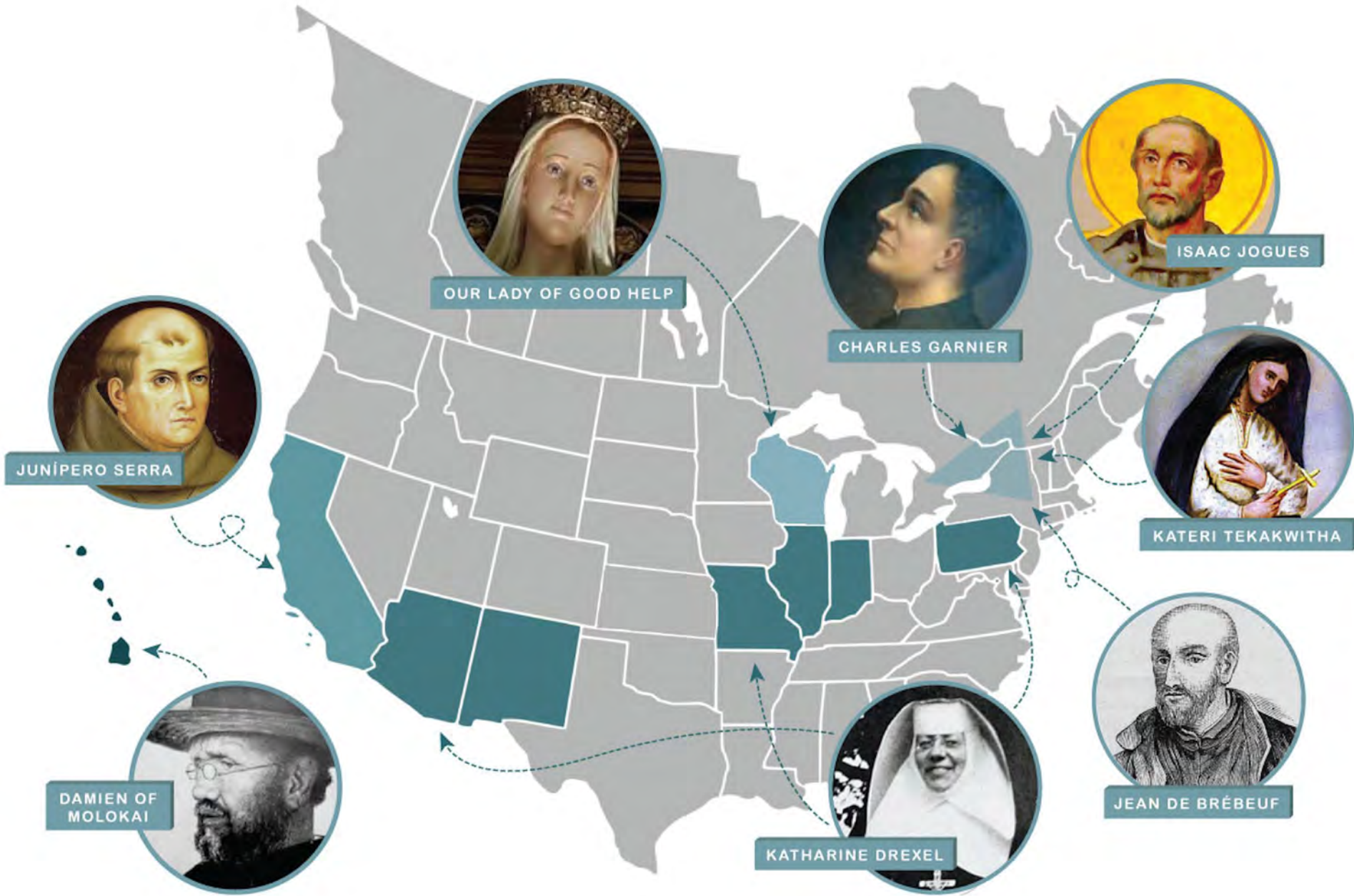
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*Do you know it seemed like
the realization of years, yes,
longing of the last fifteen
years?*

*... my heart was full of
gratitude to God because He
had, beyond all expectations,
fulfilled the desire He Himself
had given me...*”

KATHARINE DREXEL

*To the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament of St. Michael's
community, 1903*





*“Even when they are few
in number, saints change
the world, and great
saints remain as forces
for change throughout
history.”*

BENEDICT XVI



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The *How* of a Saint's Witness:

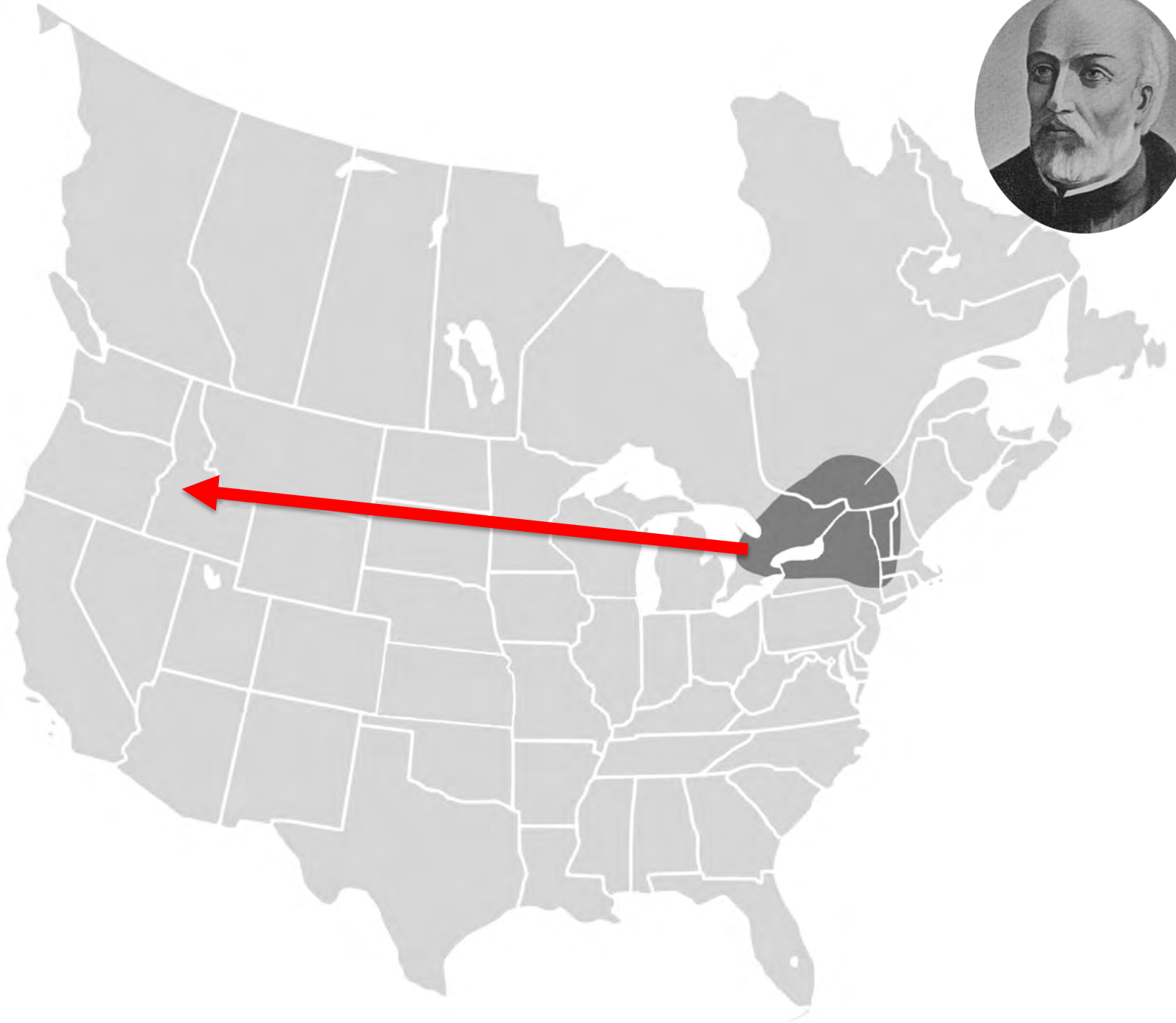
“Passing the Baton”



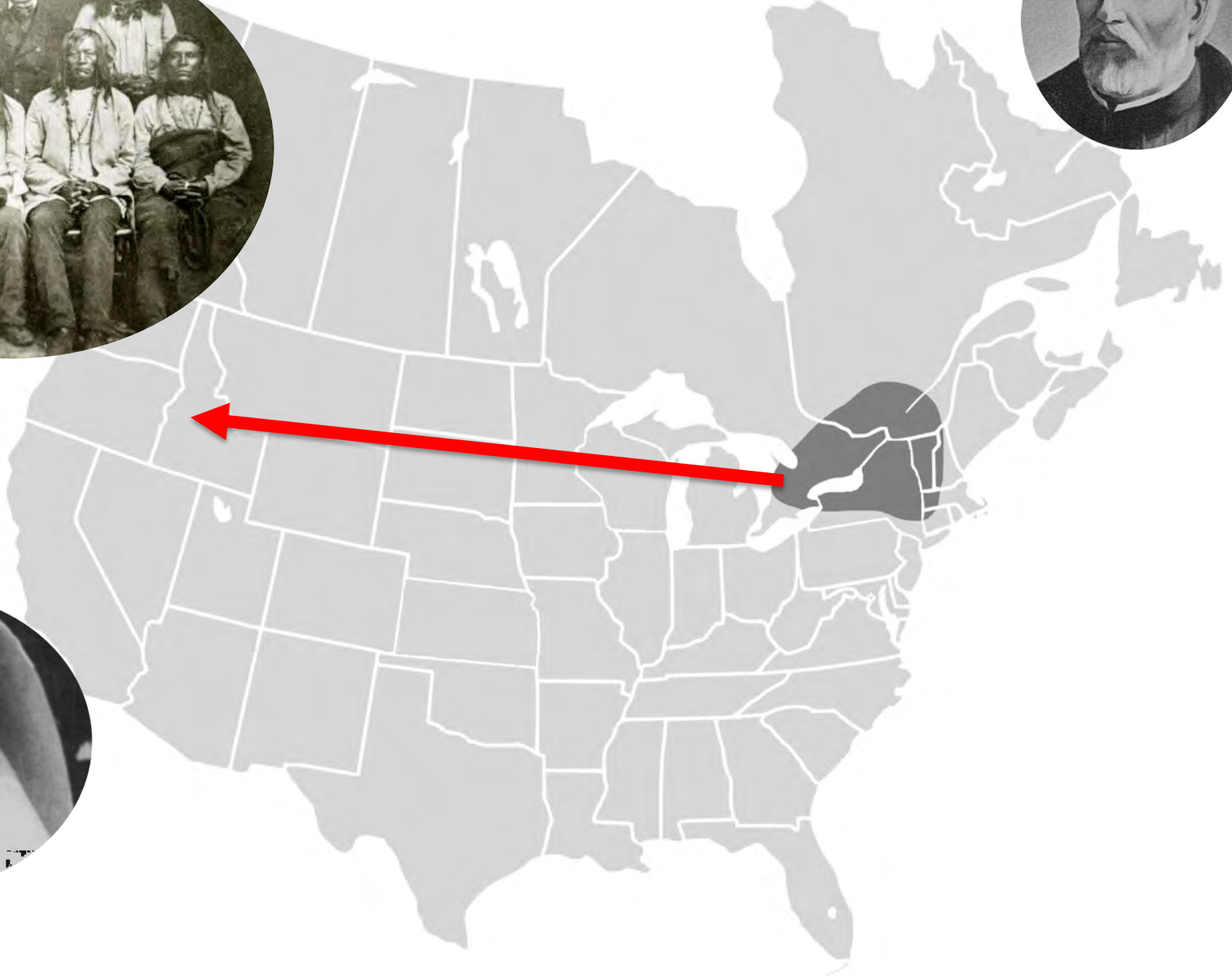
**KATERI
TEKAKWITHA
1656-1680**

The Lily of the Mohawks













“*Never will this field
produce fruit except
through mildness and
patience.*”

JEAN DE BRÉBEUF

II

The *What* of the Saint's Witness:

“I am Christ's”



“In 2002, then-Archbishop of New York Cardinal Edward Egan visited an elementary school in St. Mark’s Parish in Harlem...”

“*Mother Katharine Drexel
paid for my piano lessons!*”

**LIONEL
HAMPTON**
1908-2002







“
*Coarse, dirty
and stubborn...*
”

CHARLES MCEWEN HYDE



Charles McEwen Hyde



Robert Louis Stevenson

*“When I visited the
lazaretto, Damien
was already in his
resting grave...”*

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON





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*There are many
(not Catholics
merely) who
require their heroes
and saints to be
infallible...*

”

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON

*“Damien was
coarse. It is very
possible!”*

ROBERT LOUIS STEVENSON



*The political and journalistic world can boast of very few heroes who compare with Fr. Damien of Molokai. The Catholic Church, on the contrary, counts by the thousands those who after the example of Fr. Damien have devoted themselves to the victims of leprosy. **It is worthwhile to look for the sources of such heroism.***

MAHATMA GANDHI
1869-1948





III

The *When* of the Saint's Witness:

“an Encounter with Us”



RÚBEN MENDOZA



RÚBEN MENDOZA



AUDREY TAGUCHI



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JOY VOSTATEK

KANAWAKE (MONTREAL)



NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS

1642-1649



*to live where we are,
loving Jesus without
denying who we are!*

BENEDICT XVI, 2012





“Father Serra had a motto which shaped the way he lived: Siempre adelante! Keep moving forward! For him, this was the way to continue experiencing the joy of the Gospel, to keep his heart from being anesthetized.”

POPE FRANCIS, 2015



...to open our eyes to the forms of leprosy that disfigure the humanity of our brethren and still today call for the charity of our presence as servants, beyond that of our generosity.

BENEDICT XVI, 2009







“What about you?”. I encourage you to be renewed in the joy and wonder of that first encounter with Jesus, and to draw from that joy renewed fidelity and strength.”

POPE FRANCIS, 2015



