

EPIPHANY BLESSING

Priest (*or father of family*): In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost.

All: Amen.

Priest: Peace be to this house. All: And to all who live in it.

Priest: From the East, the Magi have come to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; Opening their treasures, they offered Him gifts; gold to the Great King; frankincense to the true God; and myrrh for His burial.

(Priest begins to bless home going from room to room at which time he may recite the Magnificat:)

Magnificat

*My soul doth magnify the Lord. And my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour:
Because he hath regarded the humility of his handmaid; for behold from henceforth all generations
shall call me blessed.*

*Because he that is mighty, hath done great things to me; and holy is his name. And his mercy is from
generation unto generations, to them that fear him.*

He hath shewed might in his arm: he hath scattered the proud in the conceit of their heart.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble.

He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away.

*He hath received Israel his servant, being mindful of his mercy: As he spoke to our fathers, to
Abraham and to his seed for ever.*

*Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning is now and
ever shall be world without end. Amen*

(Priest then marks the door with blessed chalk in honor of the Three Kings, Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar):

20+C+M+B+xx

Priest: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy Name. Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

All: Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Priest: O Lord hear our prayer

All: And let our cry come unto Thee.

*(Priest: The Lord be With You. All: And with thy spirit.)

Priest: Let us pray.

O Lord, God Almighty, bless + this home and under its shelter let there be peace, health, happiness, humility, chastity, goodness, kindness, prosperity, obedience to Thy Commandments, and thanksgiving. Protect this house from fire, disaster or anyone who would want to enter it unlawfully. May these blessings descend abundantly on this home, and remain always in the heart of those who dwell here.

All: Amen.

Priest: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.

All: Amen.

**Omit this line if no priest is present*