

Leader: Let us pray. O God, who by the guidance of a star on this day, you manifested your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles, mercifully grant that we who know you by faith may also attain the vision of your glorious majesty. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Leader: Be enlightened, be enlightened, O Jerusalem, for your light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon you—Jesus Christ born of the Virgin Mary.

All: And the Gentiles shall walk in your light and kings in the splendor of your rising, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.

Leader: Let us pray. Bless, O Lord God almighty, this home, that in it there may be health, purity, the strength of victory, humility, goodness and mercy, the fulfillment of your law, the thanksgiving to God the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. And may this blessing remain upon this home and upon all who dwell herein. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.



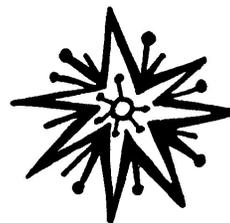
The following is written above the door with the chalk:

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Peace be with this house and with those who live here
Christus Mansionem Benedicat
May Christ bless this house.

Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your only begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Fill us with the light of Christ that our concern for others may reflect your love.
Amen.

Share your house blessing and photos with us
by tagging us on Facebook!
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BLESSING OF THE HOME & HOUSEHOLD ON EPIPHANY



Saint William
CATHOLIC CHURCH

Leader: Peace be to this house.

All: And to all who dwell herein.

All: From the east came the Magi to Bethlehem to adore the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the true God, and myrrh in symbol of his burial.

All Pray:

During the Magnificat, the rooms are sprinkled with holy water

The Magnificat

Luke 1: 46-55

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed:
the Almighty has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

He has mercy on those who fear him in every
generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm,
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

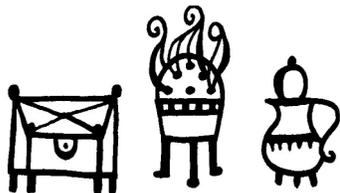
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones,
and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things,
and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
the promise he made to our fathers,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

**A Reading from the Holy Gospel
According to Matthew**

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea,
in the days of King Herod, behold, magi
from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,
“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and have
come to do him homage.”



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When King Herod heard this, he was greatly troubled,
and all Jerusalem with him. Assembling all the chief
priests and the scribes of the people, he inquired of them
where the Messiah was to be born. They said to him,
“In Bethlehem of Judea, for thus it has been written
through the prophet:

‘And you, Bethlehem, land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
since from you shall come a ruler, who is to shepherd my
people Israel.’”



Then Herod called the magi secretly and ascertained
from them the time of the star’s appearance. He sent
them to Bethlehem and said, “Go and search diligently
for the child. When you have found him, bring me word,
that I too may go and do him homage.” After their
audience with the king they set out. And behold, the star
that they had seen at its rising preceded them, until it
came and stopped over the place where the child was.
They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering
the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They
prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they
opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold,
frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a
dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their
country by another way.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R/. Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

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the Lord; and opening their treasures they offered
precious gifts: gold for the great King, incense for the
true God, and myrrh in symbol of his burial.

Leader: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name.

Thy kingdom come, thy will be done
on earth as it is in heaven.

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—

All: But deliver us from evil.

Leader: All they from Saba shall come

All: Bringing gold and frankincense.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.

All: And let our cry come to you.

