



EPIPHANY BLESSING OF THE HOME

(All Assemble at the front door or a common entrance)

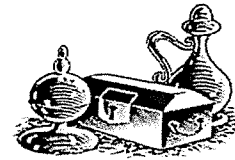
Leader: May God's Peace be in this house.

All: And in all who live or enter here.

Leader: Magi came from the East to pay homage to the Lord,
and opening their treasures, they offered precious gifts.

All: Gold for his kingship, incense to proclaim him God,
and myrrh for the day of his burial.

Leader: O Lord, hear our prayer.



All: And let our cry come to you.

Leader: Let us pray. (All pray briefly, in silence).
Father, you revealed your Son to the nations,
by the guidance of a star. Lead us to your glory
and our eternal home by the light of faith
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

(With chalk, or crayon, an inscription is made above the door.)

20 + C + M + B + (Current Year)

*(The letters represent the Magi. The enclosing year represents
the timeless God. Each cross marks a point of the compass or
"all the nations.")*

Leader: Let us pray.

All: Lord Jesus, visit our home.
May the **STAR** of your presence direct us to you.
May our **JOURNEY** together enrich us in your love.
Give us the **WISDOM** to continue to find you in one another,
as the Magi found you long ago.
May our personal gifts and our very lives
tell of your love for us and for everyone.
May our home be warm and welcoming;
May our hearts be open to all who come.
When they find us, may they find you.
Then, truly, every day will be your Epiphany feast.
Amen.

