

HOUSE BLESSINGS 2026

The Great Feast of Theophany, or Baptism, of our Lord Jesus Christ is January 6. Each year this is the time of renewal, as water is blessed and brought to our homes. We dedicate, and *re* dedicate, ourselves, our homes, and our family to Jesus Christ with this blessing every year.

House blessings will begin after the Feast of Theophany, on a first-signed up first-served basis. In deciding whether to bless your house this year, ask yourself a simple question – did I or anyone who lives with me sin in the last year? Sin pollutes and contaminates us and things around us. If the answer is no, then you're good. If the answer is yes, then make sure to schedule your house blessing to cleanse your house from the stain of sin (and confession for yourself). While sin is not ok, it is part of the human condition. For this reason, the Loving Lord has provided us with various ways of dealing with sin. It begins, of course, with our faithful life in the Church, God's Ark of Salvation, and the Sacraments; and it continues with such blessings as the House Blessing.

It is up to us whether we want to receive the help provided by God, or not.

If you would like to bless your home this year, please talk to Fr Aleksey after one of the services or email him at priest.aleksey@gmail.com

At this time of Theophany, we celebrate the Life given to us through our Lord's Baptism.

With the blessed water that the priest brings to our home, is a renewed awareness of the fact that *everything* we have is a gift of God and we set it apart for His service and care.

*****see the back of this page for the days I am available and a brief guideline on preparing your home for the house blessing*****

Yours in the Lord,
Father Aleksey