

Home Blessing

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Blessing of the Home

During the days following the Feast of the Theophany (January 6th), it is customary for the Priest to visit the homes of his parishioners, bringing with him the "Jordan Water" for the traditional Theophany House Blessing. The First Great Sanctification of Water is performed on the Eve of Theophany (January 5th).

While that water may be given to the faithful to drink on that day and through-out the coming year, traditionally it is that water from the Second Great Sanctification, which is performed on the day of the Feast of Theophany (January 6th), that is called "Jordan Water" and used for the Theophany House Blessing.

Preparation (For the blessing of your home)

- 1) Cover a table with a cloth and place a bowl of Holy Water on it.
- 2) Have an icon standing behind the bowl and a candle in front of the icon.
- 3) On a piece of paper have a list of the names of the family members to pray for, both living and departed.
- 4) Turn off all televisions and radios.
- 5) Have all family members present.
 This service takes approximately fifteen minutes.

Home Blessing Schedule (Proposed)

(January)

Monday (January 9th)

Campbell - Struthers - Poland

(10:00am – 2:00pm) H/A Zastany, T/S Harvischak, S Elash, H Colaluca,

M Koval, J Hyrb (Sr)

Beloit

(4:30pm) *M Clark*

<u>Tuesday</u> (January 10th) Boardman - Youngstown

(6:00pm – 8:00pm) D/T Konik, G/B Kolesar

Wednesday (January 11th)

Canfield - New Castle

S Tsvetkoff, T/B Liszka

Campbell - Poland

(5:00pm - 7:00pm)

(2:00pm - 4:00pm)

J/MR Mico, G Horodnic (Jr), J/C Hryb

Thursday (January 12th)

Boardman

(6:00pm - 8:00pm)

A/M Basile, M Willfong

Friday (January 13th)

Slippery Rock - Portersville

(5:30pm - 7:00pm)

R/E Willison, G/J Kalantzis

Saturday (January 14th)

Boardman

(noon)

D Tamulonis

Monday (January 16th)

Canfield

(11:00am)

D/P Gemmel

Sharon

(6:00pm)

G/D Cross

 $\frac{Tuesday (17^{th}) - Friday (20^{th})}{2}$

Open

Notes:

The schedule is "weather permitting".

In the event of inclement weather the schedule will be readjusted and printed in the "Pastor's Page" of the bulletin or posted on the Parish website.

If you've not been scheduled, and would like to have your home blessed, please contact Fr. Andrew.

