

*Keeping the  
Christmas Season  
at Home*

DECEMBER 25, 2015 – JANUARY 10, 2016





## BLESSINGS AND PRAYERS FOR THE

# Christmas Season

### CHRISTMAS DAILY PRAYER

Grant me this gift, O Lord:  
May I grow in faith  
during this Christmas season.

Grant me this gift, O Lord:  
May I increase in hope  
during this Christmas season.

Grant me this gift, O Lord:  
May I live in love  
during this Christmas season.

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### TABLE PRAYER FOR THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Christ our Savior is born!  
*Christ our Savior is born!*

May this meal nourish us  
to live in service to others  
as we celebrate your glorious birth,  
O Christ.

*Christ our Savior is born!*

May the food of this table strengthen  
us to share the good news  
as we hear the voice of the herald  
angels.

*Christ our Savior is born!*

May this be a season of grace,  
so others will see your love in us  
as we behold your humble birth.

*Christ our Savior is born!*

*Gloria in excelsis Deo!*  
Bless this meal, bless our lives  
during these joyful Christmas days.  
Amen.

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### EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

*Items needed: chalk and a small bottle of holy water. Gather with family members, friends, and perhaps some neighbors at the front door.*  
In the (+) name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray: *Christus mansionem benedicat.*  
May Christ bless this house. Amen.

*The main doorway is signed*  
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Let us pray: *Christus mansionem benedicat.*  
May Christ bless this house. Amen.

Leader (or other Reader): A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.  
Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. Love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, all your strength. These commandments I give you are to be in your hearts. Place them on the doorframes of your home and on your entry gate. The Word of the Lord.

*Each room is sprinkled with holy water.*

*Living room:*

Bring us to live with you one day in heaven.  
Bless this room, O Lord. Amen.

*Kitchen:*

You prepare for us a rich feast.  
Bless this room, O Lord. Amen.

*Dining room:*

Feed us at the heavenly banquet.  
Bless this room, O Lord. Amen.

*Bedrooms:*

In you alone we rest securely.  
Bless this room, O Lord. Amen.

*Bathroom:*

You cleanse us from every impurity.  
Bless this room, O Lord. Amen.

*All return to the front door to pray together.*

Our Father . . .

*All are sprinkled with holy water.*

Bless this household through all days to come, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

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