

Simple Blessing of Water at Home (in case of necessity)

Place some water in a bowl or pitcher on a table. Light a candle (if you have one). Gather your family members and pray:

Leader: Through the prayers of our holy Fathers, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, have mercy on us.

All: Amen.

+ Glory be to You, Our God, glory be to You!

Heavenly King, Comforter, Spirit of Truth, Who are everywhere present and fill all things, Treasury of Blessings, Giver of Life, come and dwell within us; cleanse us of all that defiles us, and O Good One, save our souls.

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy and Immortal, have mercy on us. (3)

+Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen. Trinity most holy, have mercy on us. Cleanse us of our sins, O Lord; pardon our transgressions, O Master, look upon our weaknesses and heal them, O Holy One; for the sake of Your Name.

Lord, have mercy. (3)

+ Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen.

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 but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Leader: Let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

O God, greatly exalted, who does wonders which cannot be numbered, come now to your servants beseeching You, and send down your Holy Spirit and sanctify this water; grant your servants who shall receive, drink and be sprinkled with it, release from passions, remission of sins, healing of infirmities, and freedom from every evil thing; grant them also the sanctification of their homes, the purification from all impurity, and the expelling of diabolical snares; may every place and every kind of object that is sprinkled with it be blessed. For You bless and sanctify all things, and we render glory to You, together with Your only begotten Son, and Your all holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever.

All: Amen.

Leader: O, Lord, Giver of life, today, we unite ourselves with our church ministers and ask You to send down your grace from heaven and +bless this water; endow it with the power to wash away every kind of stain. (3 times)

Leader: Through the prayers of His most pure Mother, of our venerable and God-bearing Fathers, and of all the Saints, may Christ, our true God, have mercy on us and save us, for He is good and the Lover of us all.

All: Amen.

Use this water to bless branches for Palm Sunday & Easter Foods. Be sure to drink water that is leftover or return it to the earth or water your plants (i.e. not down the drain).