



HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Blessing of Homes

Holy Theophany, The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Blessing of the Waters (Ἀγιασμός), is held every year on the day of the Baptism of Christ, commemorating this wonderful event of the appearance of the Holy Trinity, the Son Jesus, the Father in the voice from Heaven, and the Holy Spirit in the dove. By the descent of Jesus into the Jordan the waters were blessed and miraculously turned around.

On this day (January 6), we pray over the waters too, and ask for the Holy Spirit to descend and dwell in them and bless them. Then we drink this water to be blessed with the Holy Spirit. We sprinkle the water in our homes and on our belongings in order to impart the Holy Spirit to everything around us. When the Holy Spirit comes all evil flees; hence we are protected by God's presence and sanctifying power. It is the tradition in the Orthodox Church, for the priest to go around the homes of Christians blessing them by sprinkling the Holy Water and praying for the people.

If you would like your home and/or business to be blessed during the Theophany Season, please return the following card to the Church office as soon as possible.

Ἐὰν θέλετε Ἀγιασμὸ στὸ σπίτι σας ἢ στὴν ἐπιχείρησή σας κατὰ τὶς ἐορτὲς τῶν Θεοφανείων παρακαλεῖσθε ὅπως ἐπιστρέψετε τὴν πρὶ κατω κάρτα στὸ γραφεῖο τῆς ἐκκλησίας τὸ συντομώτερο δυνατόν.

Dear Fr. Panayiotis,

I kindly request the blessing of my house during the Theophany Season.

Name:

Address:

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E-mail Address:

Phone# Home: Work:

Mobile: