

REQUEST FOR HOUSE/BUSINESS

BLESSINGS 2018

If you would like to have your home and/or business blessed for the Theophany & 2018, please print the information requested below and return it to the parish office or bring it to Church and drop it in the receptacle in the Narthex. We will contact you as to when Fr. Bill will be in your area. Thank you.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ZIP CODE: _____

TELEPHONE: Day: _____

Evening: _____

Cell: _____

Email: _____

WHY DO WE HAVE OUR HOMES/ BUSINESSES BLESSED AFTER THEOPHANY?

WE CELEBRATE THEOPHANY ON JANUARY 6TH EACH YEAR. THEOPHANY MEANS THE APPEARANCE OR MANIFESTATION OF GOD. AT JESUS' BAPTISM IN THE JORDAN RIVER, ACCORDING TO THE GOSPEL OF JOHN JESUS WAS THERE, THE VOICE OF THE FATHER WAS HEARD AND SOMETHING IN THE FORM OF A DOVE ALIGHTED ON JESUS' HEAD. THE HOLY TRINITY: FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT WERE ALL PRESENT. AS ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE HOLY TRINITY IS IN OUR HOMES YEAR ROUND. BY INVITING OUR PASTOR TO BLESS OUR HOMES AND BUSINESSES WE ARE INVITING CHRIST HIMSELF TO BE IN OUR MIDST AS OUR PASTOR PRAYS WITH US. SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM SAID THAT THE FIRST CHURCH IS THE HOME. WITHOUT CHRIST IN A NURTURING, LOVING HOME THE FOUNDATION OF WHO WE ARE AND IN WHOM WE BELIEVE IS WEAK .