

# Leader

Peace be to this house and to all who dwell here.

### All

And may all who enter experience Christ's blessing.

#### Leader

Let us pray

O Lord, grant that your blessing may rest on this home and all who dwell within it. May Christ who was made manifest to the nations through the star of Bethlehem dwell with us always. Bless this chalk that it may be used as a sign of your protection. May this home be filled with the light of Christ, and may our comings and goings be guided by his love. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

## All

Amen.

The leader then writes the Epiphany inscription over the main door using the blessed chalk:

20 + C + M + B + 25 (INSERT THE CURRENT YEAR)

## **Inscription Meaning**

The numbers represent the year, and the letters stand for "Christus Mansionem Benedicat" ("May Christ bless this house"), as well as the traditional names of the Magi (Caspar, Melchior, Balthasar).

#### Leader

May Christ bless this house and remain with us throughout the new year.

# All

Amen.