

## Blessing of a Home in Eastertide

*The Celebrant begins with the following or some other greeting*

Peace be to this house,  
**and to all who dwell in it.**

*Psalm 114 is then sung or said with one of the following antiphons:*

### *Alternate 1*

Antiphon *Surrexit Dominus*

Luke 24:34

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed:

**Come let us adore him. Alleluia.**

*The book of occasional services (1991), Blessing of Homes in Eastertide*

### *Alternate 2*

Antiphon *Vidi aquam*

Cf. Ezekiel 47:1,9

I saw water proceeding out of the temple; from the right side it flowed, alleluia; **and all those to whom that water came shall be saved, and shall say, alleluia, alleluia.**

*The liber usualis (1962), The Ordinary Chants of the Mass: The Asperges (in Paschal time: on Psalm 118)*

Psalm 114      *In exitu Israel*

When Israel came out of Egypt, \* the house of Jacob from a people of  
strange speech,  
Judah became God's sanctuary \* and Israel his dominion.  
The sea beheld it and fled; \* Jordan turned and went back.  
The mountains skipped like rams, \* and the little hills like young sheep.  
What ailed you, O sea, that you fled? \* O Jordan, that you turned back?  
You mountains, that you skipped like rams? \* you little hills like young  
sheep?  
Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, \* at the presence of the  
God of Jacob,  
Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water \* and flint stone into a  
flowing spring.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as It was in  
the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**Alleluia. The Lord is risen  
indeed: Come let us adore him.  
Alleluia.**

**I saw water proceeding out of  
the temple; from the right side  
it flowed, alleluia; and all those  
to whom that water came shall  
be saved, and shall say, alleluia,  
alleluia.**

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says one of the two following collects*

Station Collect *Alternate 1*  
Grant, we pray, Almighty God,  
that we who celebrate with awe  
the Paschal feast may be found  
worthy to attain to everlasting  
joys; through Jesus Christ our  
Lord, who lives and reigns with  
you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Book of Common Prayer (1979), Monday in Easter  
Week*

Station Collect *Alternate 2*  
Almighty and Everlasting God,  
who in the Paschal mystery  
established the new covenant of  
reconciliation: Grant that all who  
have been reborn into the  
fellowship of Christ's Body may  
show forth in their lives what  
they profess by their faith;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God, for  
ever and ever. **Amen.**

*Book of Common Prayer (1979), Thursday in Easter  
Week*

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

*A period of silence may be kept.*

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence.  
Bless all who live here with the gift of your love; and grant that they  
may manifest your love *[to each other and]* to all whose lives they  
touch. May they grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you;  
guide, comfort, and strengthen them; and preserve them in peace, O  
Jesus Christ, now and for ever. **Amen.**

***Solemn Blessing (Alternate 1)***

May God the Father, who by Baptism adopts us as his children, grant you grace. **Amen.**

May God the Son, who sanctified a home at Nazareth, fill you with love. **Amen.**

May God the Holy Spirit, who has made the Church one family, keep you in peace. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

***Solemn Blessing (Alternate 2)***

May Almighty God, who has redeemed us and made us his children through the resurrection of his Son our Lord, bestow upon you the riches of his blessing. **Amen.**

May God, who through the water of baptism has raised us from sin into newness of life, make you holy and worthy to be united with Christ for ever.

**Amen.**

May God, who has brought us out of bondage to sin into true and lasting freedom in the Redeemer, bring you to your eternal inheritance. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, ✠ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever.

**Amen.**

***The Celebrant then says to the people***

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**