

Litany of Dedication

LEADER: As a symbol of cooperative goodwill, work and sharing:

ALL: We dedicate this house, O God.

LEADER: For family living, a place of love and respect between all members of the family.

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LEADER: As a place where the family may grow, play and learn.

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LEADER: That this house may serve as a place for rest, shelter and laughter.

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LEADER: Because this house was made possible through the generosity of so many people—the volunteers, the donors of labor and materials, and the gifts of money.

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LEADER: An inspiration for building more houses in the months ahead; that volunteer work, Christian service and prayer be offered by many:

ALL: We dedicate this house, O God.

LEADER: In thanks to you, Lord, for guidance and wisdom in this project, and for all our projects:

ALL: We dedicate this house, O God.

Litany of Blessing

LEADER: Lord our God, who dwells in our hearts, bless this house. Protect our going out and our coming in; let (names of homeowners) share the hospitality of this home with all who visit; that those who enter here may know your love and peace.

ALL: Amen

LEADER: Bless this doorway and living room, O God. Give your blessing to all who share this room that they may be knit together in companionship. May all who live and visit here find peace and prayer as well as pleasure.

ALL: Amen

LEADER: Bless this kitchen, O God. You fill the hungry with good things. Send your blessing on this family as they work in this kitchen. Make them ever thankful for their daily bread as they dine in your grace.

ALL: Amen

LEADER: Bless each bedroom, O God. Protect each person in this family. Watch over them as they sleep, that they may rest in Christ's peace and find refreshment and renewal.

ALL: Amen

Housewarming Blessing In A Basket

You will need:

A Basket

Flowers (real or artificial)

A loaf of bread

A container of salt

A candle

and

A container of sugar

*Say the following when presenting the basket to the homeowner
during the dedication ceremony.*

We want to give you flowers so your house may always know beauty.

Bread so your house may never know hunger.

Salt so it may always have flavor.

A candle so the house will never know darkness.

And sugar so that life will always be sweet.