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### ***House Blessings***



*The expression "home is where the heart is" speaks to the importance of that place we call home. A house is merely a structure; a home refers to the quality of living that takes place there. Making a dwelling place a home results from our intention to do so.*

*The house blessing recognizes a connection between the hearth and the altar. "The home for me is the most sacred place," says. "Almost holy ground for me it's where people draw together in close relationships within the family and extend their hospitality and warmth to others. During a house blessing, family and friends gather in the home with the Minister, who goes from room to room, saying a prayer specific to each room. For example, in the guest room: "Do not neglect to show hospitality, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares."*