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Ten Invitations

The sure way to bring joy and consolation into your home is to bring Christ to it. Wherever we read of our Blessed Lord being invited to a house, or entering a house, He invariably worked there a miracle, either in the physical or in the moral order. Prayer invites Christ into your home and into your heart. Here are a few tests that will show you the variety of blessings that come to those who brought Christ to their house.

A centurion invites our Lord to his home at Capharnaum, where his son was dangerously ill. In response to this invitation, Our Lord heals his son. (John IV, 56)

The ruler of the synagogue, Jairus, implored our Lord to come to his house because his daughter was dying, and subsequently died. Our Lord raised the girl to life. (Luke VIII, 41)

Our Lord is invited to take a meal in the house of one of the Pharisees, and in this house He curses a man suffering from dropsy. (Luke XIV, 1)

Our Lord enters the home of Simon and Andrew and cures there the mother of Simon's wife, who was sick with a fever. (Mark I, 29)

Zaccheus, the chief publican, gladly welcomes the Lord into his house. The result: Salvation was brought to that house. (Luke, XIX, 1)

Our Lord, in the neighborhood of Tyre and Sidon, enters a house, and there He yields to the entreaties of a gentile woman and cures her daughter, possessed by the devil. (Mark VII, 24)

Our Lord is invited by Simon, the pharisee, to a meal in his house. While there, He casts seven devils from Mary Magdalene, and forgives her her sins. St. Mark tells us that it was to Mary that our Lord first appeared after His resurrection. (Luke VII, 36)

Lazarus is raised from the dead at his house, where our Lord had often received hospitality. (John XI)

The first miracle of our Lord's public life was performed at Cana in a house to which He had been invited. (John II)

A nobleman invites our Lord to his house, in which his servant is lying seriously sick. The servant is healed. (Luke VII, 1)

PRAYERS: (deceased) father of Father Joseph Buckley (Religion Dept. last year); infant son of Prof. Edward Fischer (Journalism Dept.). (Ill) aunt of Russell Lesperance (Cav); mother of Tony Benedosso, '41. Three Special Intentions. (anointed) Brother of Sister Lucilla, C.S.C. (Students' Infirmary)

LATE MASSES DAILY

Cavanaugh and Dillon halls — 7:20 A.M.
Communion is distributed in Dillon until noon: in Cavanaugh
until 9:30 A.M.