

New Year's Day Blessing:

It has been a tradition for many years that parents bless their children on New Year's Day. Here the children would gather before the parents, kneel, and the parents extend their hands over them and bless taking inspiration from the Old Testament - Book of Number which is taken from the 1st reading on New Year's day.:

First Reading (Numbers 6, 22-27)

Le Lord spoke to Moses: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the children of Israel: You shall say to them,

“The Lord bless you and keep you,

The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you;

The Lord lift up his face (countenance) upon you and give you peace. Amen.”

So they shall put my name on the children of Israel, and I will bless them.

Lecture du livre des Nombres (6, 22-27)

Le Seigneur parla à Moïse. Il dit : « Parle à Aaron et à ses fils. Tu leur diras : Voici en quels termes vous bénirez les fils d'Israël :

« Que le Seigneur te bénisse et te garde!

Que le Seigneur fasse briller sur toi son visage, qu'il te prenne en grâce!

Que le Seigneur tourne vers toi son visage, qu'il t'apporte la paix! Amen.»

Ils invoqueront ainsi mon nom sur les fils d'Israël, et moi, je les bénirais. »