

## Blessing of a new brew at Urban Artifact Brewery: May 16, 2016

Let us begin: In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

God makes known his mighty power and his abounding goodness to all the ends of the earth; but he also directs us to bless the simplest and most commonplace things. He does so in order that all who devoutly make use of material things, may be drawn to give glory to God, who alone performs the wonders we call miracles, but is wonderful in all his deeds and gifts for us.

According to St. John's Gospel, Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding feast of Cana, as his first sign of his kingdom. Jesus responded to his mother's invitation when the wine ran short at the wedding reception. So we know that Jesus wants us to be joyful and to celebrate with our friends on special occasions, using the fruits of the earth and of man's ingenuity.

Therefore, we bless this new brew that begins today at Urban Artifact Brewery in Northside:

**Blessed are you, Lord God, who have showered all creatures with your blessings. Hear the prayers of these your servants: that whenever they drink this beer in the celebration of your goodness and care for us, your people, that striving always for what is holy and healthful, they may continually grow in charity and love. + In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**