

Deacon's Beacons

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"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy." Matthew 5:7

One of the Beatitudes, this reminds us that we who desire mercy must also show mercy. We say that every time we recite the Lord's Prayer. But do we really listen to what we are saying? We need to contemplate the words from the Prophet Hosea which are quoted in the Gospel of Matthew later: "It is mercy I desire and not sacrifice." If we are going to Church and worshipping but not showing mercy to others, we have missed the point. Listen to what you say when you pray the Our Father and remember that you are asking to be forgiven as you forgive.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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