

Deacon's Beacons

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Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. 1 Corinthians 13:4–6

This is a common reading at a wedding. But the nature of a wedding and the nature of this reading are not quite in alignment. Weddings are about hearts and flowers. True love is not about that. I do tell grooms not to forget the hearts and flowers but real love is an action, not an emotion. And real love puts the other first. That is the model of the Crucifixion. We are called to lay down our lives for each other in love. That is not always pretty and it not easy. But it can be done. Loving is an act of the will. Choose to love in all circumstances.

Resurrexit sicut dixit!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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