## Deacon's Beacons

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For if you forgive others their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you, but if you do not forgive others their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Matthew 6:14–15

This follows Jesus' instruction on prayer which gives us the Our Father. He is stressing here that we may seek forgiveness from God but we must also forgive others. That is a requirement for being forgiven by God. God loves us and is willing to forgive but if we harden our hearts and do not forgive our brother, why should God forgive us? Yes, God is perfect and we are not. But we are also told to be holy as the Father is holy. If we are not willing to try, why would we ask God to forgive us? This is one of the tough things about being a Christian. Are you ready and willing to do this?

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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