

Deacon's Beacons

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If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. 1 Corinthians 13:1–3

This, of course, leads into Paul's discourse on the nature of love. It is used often at weddings because, well, it speaks of love. But the love usually envisioned at a wedding and the love discussed by Paul often differ. I would usually say to the couple that weddings are normally about hearts and flowers but love is not that simple. I do remind the groom not to forget the flowers. But love, particularly deep and lasting love, is self-sacrificing. You can do all the right things for the wrong reasons. That is what Paul is presenting here. If the basis for all of your actions is love, you will not go wrong.

Beannachtaí na Cásca ort!

Resurrexit sicut dixit!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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