

Deacon's Beacons

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“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Luke 4:18–19

This is where Jesus begins His public ministry in Luke’s Gospel. Jesus is quoting the Prophet Isaiah at the synagogue in Nazareth. These words should have brought peace and joy to the listeners but instead they brought trouble for Jesus. He is proclaiming the fulfillment of the prophecy and the coming of the Kingdom of God. We should take great joy in the proclamation, given that we know the end of the story. This also should be our call to action – to remember that our call as Christians is to serve all, including the lowliest of society.

Resurrexit sicut dixit!

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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