## Deacon's Beacons

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Like newborn infants, long for the pure spiritual milk, that by it you may grow up into salvation— if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. 1 Peter 2:2-3

That pure spiritual milk is prayer, reflection, reading of Scripture and, for us as Catholics, the Sacraments. Spend time daily in prayer. Do not just say your prayers, take time to listen to what God has to say to you. Read the Bible but do so carefully. Scripture is to be interpreted only by the Magisterium of the Church so that one is assured that the interpretation is led by the Holy Spirit. It is easy to fall into the trap of prooftexting or taking things out of context to make it mean what we want it to mean. Research authoritative sources if you are unsure. Look particularly at the New Jerome Biblical Commentary to understand what the Scripture passage is intended to convey. God wants to speak to you. Just make sure what you are hearing is not the devil getting in the way.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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