

## Deacon's Beacons

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“But will God indeed dwell on the earth? Behold, heaven and the highest heaven cannot contain you; how much less this house that I have built!” 1 Kings 8:27

This is Solomon speaking at the dedication of the first Temple. While the Jews believed that the Temple was the dwelling of God on earth, it is clear that Solomon saw God as too great to be contained in a building. There is a lesson in that for us. The Church is more than a building that we go to pray. If that is your image of Church, then these are truly troubling times. We are facing the need to close some of our buildings all across the Diocese. Does that mean that God no longer dwells with us? Of course not. Church is the people of God, not the building.

Go raibh síocháin Chríost a bheith in éineacht leat.

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