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**Fr. Matt's Musings**  
May 1, 2021

I offer with you a prayer that I shared with a group Thursday evening. May it continue to guide our Easter prayer and also our service to others.

Lord,

In Thursday's gospel, you reminded us of your penultimate action of service, the washing of your disciples' feet, the action of a slave serving others. Help us this evening as we reflect on the importance of Christian service. In the words of Saint Francis DeSales, there is nothing small in the service of God. Help us to remember that every kind word, every generous action, every compassionate outreach, no matter how large or how small furthers your kingdom here on earth. In our Salesian tradition, we recognize that as ordinary men and women our lives become extraordinary to the degree to which we answer the call to love you Lord and our God with all our heart and our neighbor as ourselves. In the Jesuit tradition, St. Ignatius asks us to be a woman or man for others. Let all that we do begin with your grace and inspiration and may it be done in the Ignatian tradition always for your greater honor and glory. In the risen Lord we pray.

Amen

**Live Jesus!**

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