



Fr. Matt's Musings

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March Madness

It is Wednesday, and it is a blustery day. March does not seem to know whether or not it wants to be winter, spring or summer. Weather madness. In the NCAA, we are down to the Sweet Sixteen. This weekend, many will be glued to their televisions to see who will make the Final Four. Painted faces and fanatic fans will be out in force. Basketball madness. St. Francis de Sales calls us to have moderation in all things, except for the love of God. His motto, *Vive Jesus*, is actually a cheer, like *Let's Go Caps*, *Hail to the Redskins* and *OLGC Wildcats rule*. *Vive Jesus* can be translated as May Jesus live or Long live Jesus. *Vive le roi* was the cheer for the king as he passed through a city or town, Long live the king! Francis wants us to have this same enthusiasm and excitement about our call to follow Jesus. His definition of devotion is that it is charity or love on fire. Let's try to be on fire in our love of God and neighbor. There is no need to paint our face, but let's try to bring energy, excitement and urgency to our call to love.

And for you basketball fans, Francis also writes that we need to have moderation in moderation as well. Some moments in life call for some indulgence. Have a great, cheering weekend!

Live Jesus!

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