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## POURED OUT: Elements of Holy Week

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### APRIL 6 – MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK – OIL

#### READ

John 12:1-8

#### HEAR

Monologue (Mary of Bethany)

#### REFLECT

“The story of Mary’s anointing stands in contrast to the idea of many Christians today that what matters most is belief in Jesus – and by belief we mean conscious, doctrinal understanding of Jesus. Mary’s faithful action is different. John does not tell us what she believes, and it seems beyond human comprehension that she could understand all that will happen to Jesus, and all that her actions evoke. Yet we see her enact a faith that resonates deeply with what we know of Jesus’ kingship and his death.” –

*Susan Hylan*

#### PRAY

Lord Jesus, teach me to be generous;  
teach me to serve you as you deserve,  
to give and not to count the cost,  
to fight and not to heed the wounds,  
to toil and not to seek for rest,  
to labor and not to seek reward,  
except that of knowing that I do your will.

Amen. – *St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491 –1556)*