possible thought for prayer on Friday 16th March, 2018

Those who live in a certain city would be used to seeing Main-Freight trucks and Daily-Freight trucks moving about the city, and you would be aware that each one usually has some sort of a quotation on the back of it. I was struck the other day by one quote that I read:

**Don’t expect different results from the same behaviour.**

And so I began to wonder how many of us have changed our basic behaviours in the last ten years... In that period of time the Brothers have witnessed two General Chapters that have called us to new things... Have I changed my behavior to take on board the challenges offered, or have I just kept on keeping on, wondering why people want to change what I am comfortable with?

*The Gospel for Friday of the 4th Week of Lent*  
**John 7:1-2, 10, 25-30**

After this Jesus went about in Galilee. He did not wish to go about in Judea because the Jews were looking for an opportunity to kill him. Now the Jewish festival of Booths was near. But after his brothers had gone to the festival, then he also went, not publicly but as it were in secret. Now some of the people of Jerusalem were saying, ‘Is not this the man whom they are trying to kill? And here he is, speaking openly, but they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Messiah? Yet we know where this man is from; but when the Messiah comes, no one will know where he is from.’ Then Jesus cried out as he was teaching in the temple, ‘You know me, and you know where I am from. I have not come on my own. But the one who sent me is true, and you do not know him. I know him, because I am from him, and he sent me.’ Then they tried to arrest him, but no one laid hands on him, because his hour had not yet come.

* What am I “trying to kill” by my various behaviours?
* “You know me, and you know where I am from...” Do I really know?