

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Joyful Mystery, we read and we meditate undisturbed:



# “The Birth of Baby Jesus”...

## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO – LUKE - :

*“The angel of the Lord appeared to [the shepherds] and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were struck with great fear. The angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Messiah and Lord.’” (Luke 2:9-11)<sup>1</sup>*

## MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Christ was born in a poor stable, becoming little and poor Himself – and so showing us, even from His birth, the Spirit of Humility and Poverty! So tell me, you who are listening: in what spirit are you living out your mission? In what spirit are you imitating Jesus? (SLC, p. 130A)

## FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to the importance of maintaining the poverty of the Gospel in the Church, Pope Francis says: *“When disciples want to make a rich Church, a Church without freely given praise, the Church ages, she becomes a [nonprofit organization], she is lifeless.”* (FRANCIS, Meditation, 11 June 2013)

<sup>1</sup>NABRE (USCCB)

## FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

*( for a personal contribution to give to those who listen ) :*

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*Then follows ...*

- 1 Our Father ...
- 5 Hail Mary ...
- 1 Glory be to the Father ... (Sung)

- Praised be,,,
- O my Jesus, forgive us...
- Mary, Queen of Peace ...
- Then, a quick song relevant to the mystery / or one sings : “ Aveeeee, Aveeeee, Ave Maria ....”

*Then one goes on to the next Mystery which (like this one) if possible must not take more than 5-7 minutes ...*