

# “The finding of Jesus in the Temple”...



## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - LUKE -:

“After they had completed [the days of the feast],... Jesus remained behind in Jerusalem, but his parents did not know it... After three days they found him in the temple... and his mother said to him,... Your father and I have been looking for you with great anxiety.’ And he said to them, ‘Why were you looking for me? Did you not know that I must [be about my Father’s business]?’” (Luke 2:43, 46, 48-49)<sup>1</sup>

## MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Give us the grace to be able to say this, especially to all those parents distressed by the “loss” of their children whom you have called: “‘Why are you searching for me? Don’t you know that I have to be about my Father’s business?’ If only all were as fortunate as you are!” (cf. SLC, p. 227)

## FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to religious vocation and family, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta says: “Pray for your children, that the calling and the choice of Christ may come upon your family through a vocation to priesthood or religious life, as a gift of God to the family.” (TERESA DE CALCUTTA, *Con tanto amore. Pensieri*, a cura di D. Stefano Varnavà, EDB, Bologna 1993, p. 91, unpublished translation by pfgsm)

<sup>1</sup> NABRE (USCCB); final phrase from the Italian Jerusalem Bible (CEI) 2008, unpublished translation by pfgsm

## FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

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

- .....
- .....

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 ...