

(C 14 - Sr. S.M.A)

# "The Birth of Baby Jesus"...



## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - MATTHEW -:

"The angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, 'Rise, take the child and his mother, flee to Egypt, and stay there until I tell you. Herod is going to search for the child to destroy him." (Matt 2:13)1

### MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Today, Lord, in imitation of St. Joseph, have we tried to defend our Marian soul and our "Child Spirit" of Jesus from the attacks of the jealous worldly king by using "that mysterious light which shines in the night?" (cf. SLC, p. 108)

#### FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to being attentive to the luminous signs which the Lord can give to protect our "child spirit," St. Anthony of Padua says: "The 'angel of the Lord' is the inspiration of divine grace, which tells a man what he should do and what he should not do.'

(ANTHONY OF PADUA, Sermons, Feast of the Holy Innocents, n. 2, translated by Paul Spilsbury)

<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 ...."