

In the 3rd Joyful Mystery, we read and we meditate undisturbed:

“The Birth of Baby Jesus”...



FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - MATTHEW - :

“When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem,... and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother.... And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed for their country by another way.” (Matt. 2:1, 11-12)¹

MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

Lord, taking from the luminous teaching of the Magi kings, give us the great grace to be able to speak luminously to our neighbor about *certain salvation* and *full holiness*: doing so, naturally, after we have encountered the Living Christ, so that we can defend our spiritual life – a little as the Magi defended theirs from Herod.

(cf. SLC, pp. 110-111)

FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to taking care of our spiritual life after Christ has worked in us, Pope St. Leo the Great says: *“The Magi... did not return on the road by which they had come. It was necessary that, after believing in Christ, they should no longer walk according to their old habits, but rather – having entered into a new life – that they should keep themselves far from the errors which they had left behind.”* (LEONE MAGNO, III Discorso, Solennità dell’Epifania, IV)

¹ 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 ...