

(D18 - Sr. S.M.A.-F)

"The Presentation of **Baby Jesus in the Temple**"...

FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO – *LUKE* –:

"When the days were completed for their purification according to the law of Moses, they took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord.... Now there was a man in Jerusalem whose name was Simeon. This man was righteous and devout.... He came in the Spirit into the temple..." (Luke 2:22, 25, 27)¹

MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

It is written: "I have looked for You in the Sanctuary" (cf. Ps 63:3), and again: "Praise the Lord in His Sanctuary" (cf. Ps 150:1) – and in which Sanctuary? It is written, "in the House of God, which is the Church of the Living God, the column and support of the Truth!" (cf. 1Tim 3:15). (cf. SLC, p. 175)

FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH :

- In regards to the question of why to go to Church, the Second Vatican Council says: "It is only through Christ's Catholic Church, which is the 'all-embracing means of salvation,' that [one] can benefit fully from the means of salvation." (VATICAN COUNCIL II, Decree Unitatis Redintegratio, 21 November 1964, n. 3)

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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 ...