(Q4 - Sr. E.M.T.)

# "The Death of Jesus on the Cross"...



## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - LUKE -:

"It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon...Jesus cried out in a loud voice, 'Father, into your hands I comment my spirit'; and when he had said this he breathed his last." (Luke 23:44, 46)1

#### MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

The Apostle says, "in my flesh I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of his body, which is the church" (Col 1:24)<sup>1</sup>. Let us, too, as Christians – that is, as Imitators of Christ – try to continuously offer our watching and prayer, our little or great sacrifices, in order to be able to continuously justify (in Christ) as many souls as possible (cf. Is 53:11). (cf. SLC, p. 33A)

### FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to making offerings for others, a Decree of the Second Vatican Council says: "[All should] remember that they can reach all men and contribute to the salvation of the whole world by public worship and prayer as well as by penance and voluntary acceptance of the labors and hardships of life whereby they become like the suffering Christ (cf. 2Cor 4:10; Col 1:24).

(VATICAN COUNCIL II, Decree Apostolicam Actuositatem, 18 November 1965, n. 16)

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

#### FREE AND PERSONAL MEDITATION

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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 ...."