

# “The Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River”...

## FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO - *MATHEW* -:

*“After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold...a voice came from the heavens, saying, ‘This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.’” (Matt 3:16-17)<sup>1</sup>*

## MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

In order to be fully saved from our sins, we have to be “grafted” into the Living Body of Christ which is the Catholic Church, through a Living Baptism [and then] through sincere Confessions, as it is written: *“He has saved us...through a washing of regeneration and renewal in the Holy Spirit!” (Titus 3:5).*  
(cf. SLC, p. 180)

## FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to baptism and salvation, Pope Francis says: *“It is by the power of Baptism, in fact, that, freed of original sin, we are inserted into Jesus' relation to God the Father; that we are bearers of a new hope, for Baptism gives us this new hope: the hope of going on the path of salvation our whole life long.”*  
(FRANCIS, General Audience, 8 January 2014)

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

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### 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 ...*