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# "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, just as it is written in the law of the Lord..." (Luke 2:22-23)<sup>1</sup>

#### MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

"Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, THY WILL BE DONE..." (Matt 6:9-10b). Wait, what did we say? "Thy will be done!" And you, who are listening...have you ever asked the Lord what His will is for you? (cf. John 4:34; 1Thess 4:3a) (cf. SLC, p. 205)

### FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to searching for the full will of God (cf. Col 1:9-10), the Franciscan Sources relate an event in the life of St. Francis: "'Francis,' [the Lord said to him in a vision], 'is it more profitable to serve the master or the servant?...'The master,' Francis answered. Immediately, the voice insisted: 'So why are you leaving the master to serve the servant?' ... From that moment on, withdrawing from the hustle and bustle of the world, Francis devoutly begged the divine mercy to show him what he should do." (BONAVENTURA, Leggenda Maggiore, in: F.F. 1032-1033, unpublished translation by pfsgm)

<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 ...."