

(N 17 - Fr. P.M.V. - F.)

"Jesus Scourged at the Column"...



FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO -MARK-:

"Pilate said to [the crowd], 'Why? What evil has he done?' They only shouted the louder, 'Crucify him.' So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas to them and, after he had Jesus scourged, handed him over to be crucified." (Mark 15:14-15)¹

MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:

If we hold on tightly to You, Lord, to the point of having our hands bound (as it were) to the truth, patiently enduring the harsh tongues that lash out at us behind our backs: then in some way we, too, will be true Columns of that Church which You are always seeking to build up and restore! (cf. Ps 144:12; Rev 3:12). (cf. *SLC*, p. 283)

FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

- In regards to the seriousness of slander, the Catechism of the Council of Trent says: "The sin of false accusation, or of damaging someone else's reputation, is not remitted if the slanderer does not repair the injury he caused to the person whom he [falsely] accused."

(cf. CATECHISMO TRIDENTINO, n. 351 [unpublished translation by pfsgm])

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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"