



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

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

*“As soon as Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water, and behold... a voice came from heaven, that said, ‘This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased’”. (Matt 3:16-17)*

## **MEDITATION ON THE MYSTERY:**

Lord, give us the grace every day to be able to come out of this river of worldly patterns, a little as Your Son Jesus did – so teaching us the true meaning of Baptism, which is, *above all, having the Spirit of good will in our hearts which only pushes us in one direction: that of searching only (and at all costs) for your Will!*

## **FROM THE TEACHINGS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:**

- In regards to baptism, Pope Benedict XVI says: *“In connection with Jesus’ Baptism.... descent into the deep can... signify descent into death, just as ascent from it can signify rebirth.”*

(BENEDICT XVI, *Jesus of Nazareth*: Doubleday [NY] 2007, p. 239)

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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)

- Oh my Jesus, forgive us...  
- Mary Queen of Peace ...

- Then, a possible “flash” song coordinated 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 ...*

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