

**At the School Mass Wednesday we celebrated the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord / Mary “obedient” to the Mosaic Law brings Jesus to the Temple to present her first born Son to the Lord / This involves Sacrifice.**

**As I walked into the Church, from the front entrance, I explained to our students that Mary fulfills the prophecy of Ezekiel, who warned that the Lord would depart from the Temple because of the infidelity of the people / But would return in the future to bring Reconciliation to God’s people.**

**So the through Mary / The Light enters the darkness and Jesus brings Salvation and light back to His people / And when we enter a Catholic Church / The Temple / We can take comfort in the Red Votive Light by the Tabernacle / Because through Mary’s obedience to the Law / Jesus (God) has returned to the Temple bringing forth His Salvation, Light, and Life back to His people / His Church.**

**In the Temple, Divinity and humanity embraced, and the human race was brought back online with God.**

**Imago Dei (In the Wedding of Divinity with our lowly humanity) We are reminded that we are created in the Image and Likeness of Jesus Christ / SO....**

**I showed the students a Gold image of Jesus which I placed over my heart. Explaining when Jesus (God) returned to the temple / And by His taking upon Himself our humanity / Jesus has brought about a union of His Divinity with our fallen humanity.**

**Thus: We are wedded to Divinity / Given Purpose / Love / Virtue / and Value. When we love God / We learn to honor, love, and respect self / Leading to the respect of God, Self, and Neighbor / And with this union we are given Dignity.**