

June 24

## BIRTH OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

Solemnity

## VIGIL MASS

Introit

Lk 1: 13, 15, 14

VII

**N** E tí-me-as, \* Za-cha-rí-a, exaudí-ta  
 est o-rá-ti-o tu-a : et E-lí-sabeth uxor tu-a  
 pá-ri-et ti-bi fí-li-um, et vo-cá-bis nomen e-ius  
 Io-án-nem : et e-rit magnus co-ram Dómi-no :  
 et Spí-ri-tu Sancto replé-bi-tur adhuc ex ú-te-ro matris  
 su-ae : et multi in na-ti-vi-tá-te e-ius gau-dé-  
 bunt. *Ps.* Dó-mi-ne, in virtú-te tu-a laetá-bi-tur rex :  
 et super sa-lu-tá-re tu-um exsultá-bit ve-hemén-ter.

Fear not, Zechariah, your prayer has been answered; Elizabeth, your wife, will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John; he will be great before the Lord, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit even from his mother's womb; and many will rejoice at his birth. ✠ In your strength shall the king rejoice, O Lord, and in your salvation shall he greatly exult.

### Opening Prayer

**P**RÆSTA, quæsumus, omnipotens Deus, ut familia tua per viam salutis incédât, et, beāti Ioánnis Præcursóris hortaménta sectándo, ad eum quem prædixit secúra pervéníat, Dóminum nostrum Iesum Christum.

**A**LL-POWERFUL GOD, help your people to walk the path to salvation. By following the teaching of John the Baptist, may we come to your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

### First reading

Jer 1: 4-10: *The vocation of the prophet before his birth.*

### Gradual

Fuit homo, p. 176.

### Second reading

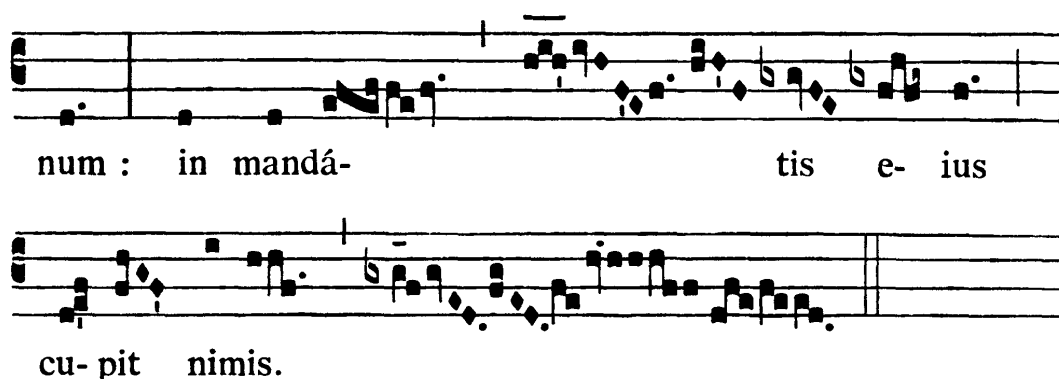
1 Pet 1: 8-12: *The time of the accomplishment of the prophecies.*

### Alleluia

Ps III: 1

**A**<sup>V</sup> L- le- lú- ia. ✠. Be-

á- tus vir, qui ti- met Dómi-



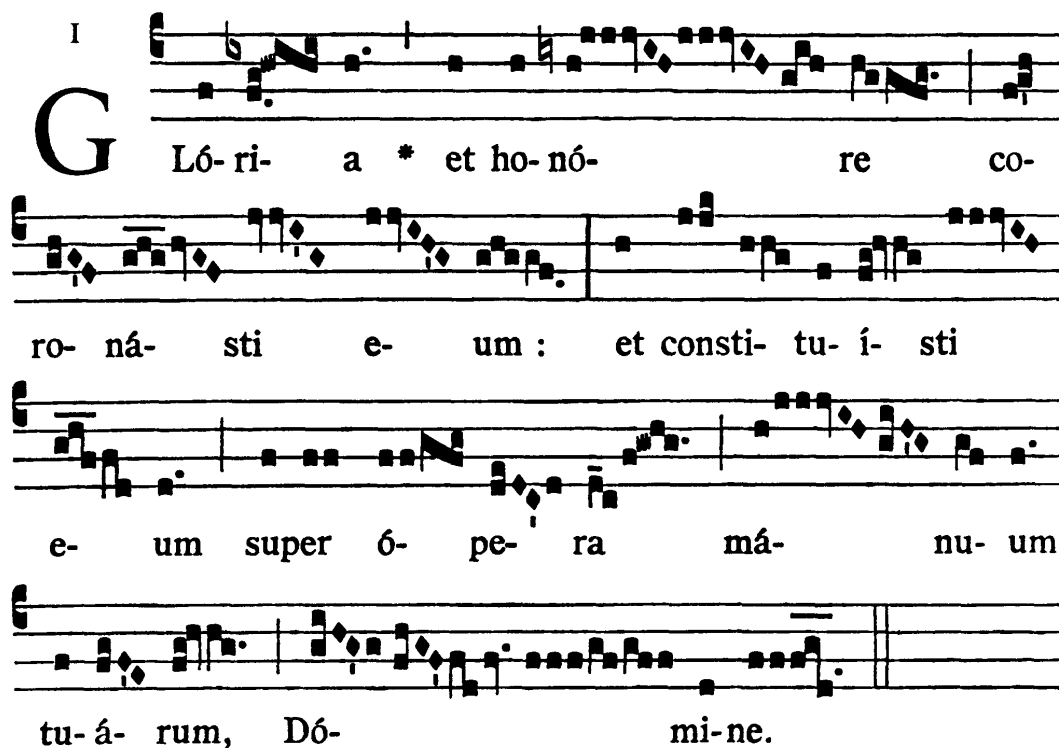
Blessed is the man who fears the Lord; he shall delight exceedingly in his commandments.

### Gospel

Lk 1: 5-17: *Annunciation to Zechariah.*

### Offertory

Ps 8: 6, 7



You have crowned him with glory and honour; and you have established him over the work of your hands, O Lord.

## Prayer over the Gifts

**M**UNERA pópuli tui, Dómine, propítius inténde, in beáti Ioánnis Baptístæ sollemnitáte deláta, et præsta, ut, quæ mystério gérimus, débitæ servitútis actióne sectémur.

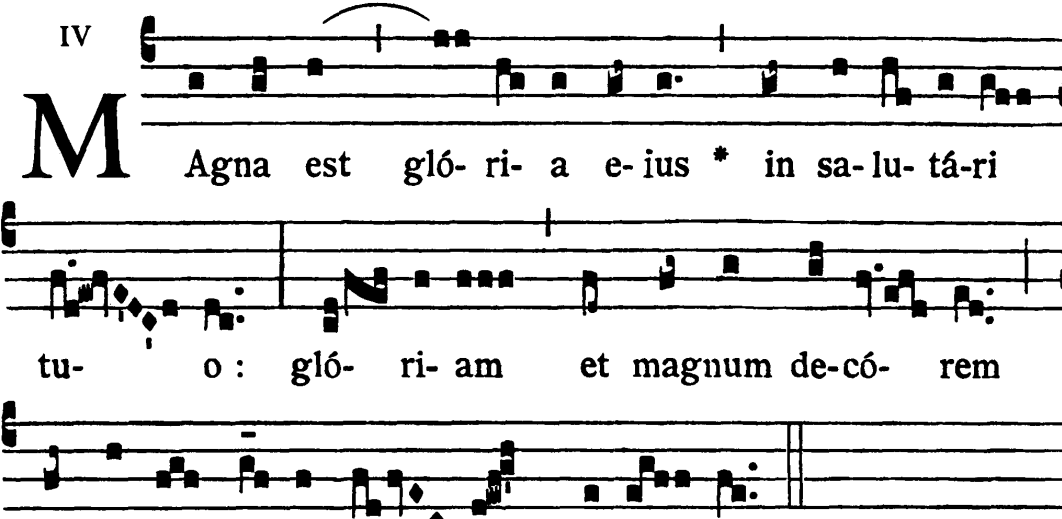
**L**ORD, look with favour on the gifts we bring on this feast of John the Baptist. Help us put into action the mystery we celebrate in this sacrament.

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## Communion

*Ps 20: 6*

IV



**M** Agna est gló- ri- a e- ius \* in sa- lu- tá- ri  
tu- o : gló- ri- am et magnum de- có- rem  
impó- nes su- per e- um, Dómi- ne.

Great is his glory through your salvation; you have endowed him with glory and much splendour, O Lord.

## Prayer after Communion

**S**ACRIS dápi- bus satiátos, beáti Ioánnis Baptístæ nos, Dómine, præclára comitétur orá- tio, et quem Agnum nostra ablatúrum crímina nuntiávit, ipsum Fílium tuum poscat nobis fore placátum.

**F**ATHER, may the prayers of John the Baptist lead us to the Lamb of God. May this eucharist bring us the mercy of Christ.

## MASS OF THE DAY

## Introit

*Is 49: 1, 2; Ps 91*

I

**D**

E ven- tre matris me- ae \*

vo-cá- vit me Dó-mi- nus

nó- mi-ne me- o : et pó-su- it os me- um

ut glá-di- um a- cú- tum : sub tegumén-to ma- nus

su- ae pro- té- xit me, pó- su- it me qua-si

sa-gít-tam e- lé- ctam. *Ps.* Bonum est confi-té-ri Dómi-

no : et psálle-re nómi-ni tu- o, Altíssi- me.

From my mother's womb the Lord called me by my name; and he made my mouth like unto a sharp sword; he protected me in the shadow of his hand, and he made me as his chosen arrow. *ψ.* It is good to give thanks to the Lord, and to praise your name, O Most High.

## Opening Prayer

**D**EUS qui beátum Ioánnem Baptistam suscitásti, ut perfectam plebem Christo Dómino præparáret, da pópulis tuis spiritalium grátiam gaudiórum, et ómnium fidélium mentes dirige in viam salútis et pacis.


**G**OD our Father, you raised up John the Baptist to prepare a perfect people for Christ the Lord. Give your Church joy in spirit and guide those who believe in you into the way of salvation and peace.

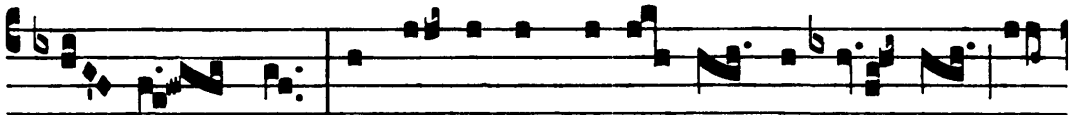
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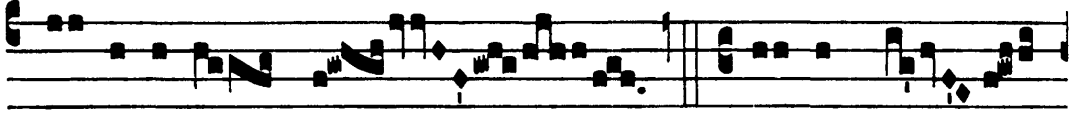
Is 49: 1-6: *The vocation of Isaiah.*

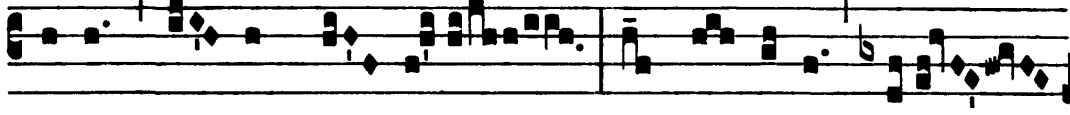
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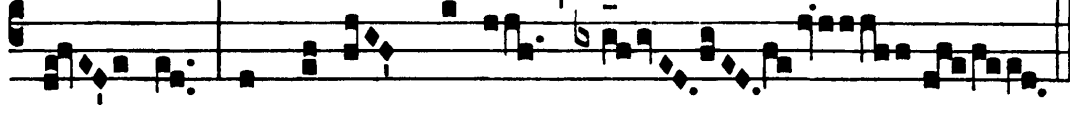
Jer 1: 5, ¶. 9

**P**  Ri- úsquam te formá-rem \* in ú- te-ro,

 no- vi te : et án-tequam ex-í- res de ven- tre, san-

 cti- fi-cá-vi te. ¶. Mi- sit Dó-

 mi-nus ma- num su- am, et té- ti-git os

 me- um, et di-xit mi-hi.

Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you, and before you came out of the womb, I consecrated you. ¶. The Lord put forth his hand and touched my mouth, and he said unto me: Before I formed you etc.

## Second reading

Acts 13: 22-26: *David, John the Baptist and Jesus.*

## Alleluia

Lk 1: 76

II  
A L-le-lú-ia. V. Tu,

pu-er, prophé- ta Altís-

simi vo- cábe- ris : prae-í- bis

ante Dó- mi-num pa- rá-re vi- as e-

ius.

And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High;  
you will go before the Lord to make ready his ways.

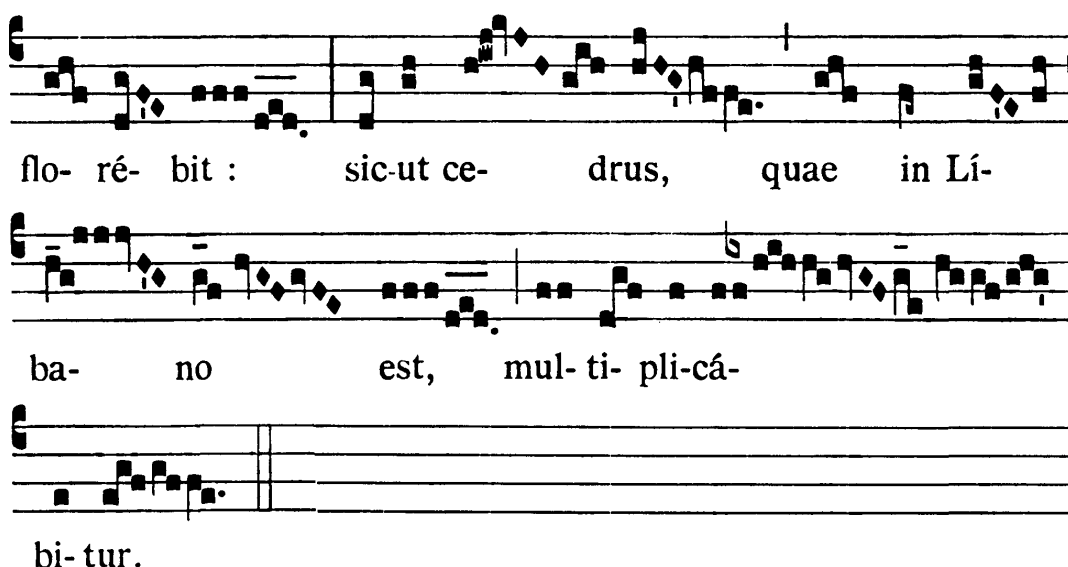
## Gospel

Lk 1: 57-66, 80: *The birth of John the Baptist.*

## Offertory

Ps 91: 13

IV  
I U- stus \* ut palma



The righteous man shall flourish like the palm tree; he shall grow up like a cedar of Lebanon.

### Prayer over the Gifts

**T**UA, Dómine, munéribus altária cumulámus, illíus natiuitátem honóre débito celebrátes, qui Salvatórem mundi et cécinit affutúrum, et adesse monstrávit.

**F**ATHER, accept the gifts we bring to your altar to celebrate the birth of John the Baptist, who foretold the coming of our Saviour and made him known when he came.

### Preface

**V**ERE dignum et iustum est, æquum et salutáre, nos tibi semper et ubíque grátias ágere : Dómine, sancte Pater, omnípotens ætérne Deus : per Christum Dóminum nostrum.

In cuius Præcursóre beáto Ioánnē tuam magnificéntiam collaudámus, quem inter natos mulierum honóre præcípuo consecrásti. Qui cum nascéndo multa gáudia præstitisset, et nondum éditus exsultásset ad

**F**ATHER, all-powerful and ever-living God, we do well always and everywhere to give you thanks through Jesus Christ our Lord.

We praise your greatness as we honour the prophet who prepared the way before your Son. You set John the Baptist apart from other men, marking him out with special favour. His birth brought great rejoicing: even in the womb he leapt for joy, so near was man's salvation. You chose John the Baptist



humánæ salútis advéntum, ipse solus ómnium prophetárum Agnum redemptionis osténdit. Sed et sanctificándis étiam aquæ fluéntis ipsum baptísmatis lavit auctórem, et méruiť fuso sángxuine supréum illi testimoniúm exhibére.

Et ídeo, cum cælórum Virtútibus, in terris te iúgiter prædicámus, maiestáti tuæ sine fine clamántes :

from all the prophets to show the world its redeemer, the lamb of sacrifice. He baptized Christ, the giver of baptism, in waters made holy by the one who was baptized. You found John worthy of a martyr's death, his last and greatest act of witness to your Son.

In our unending joy we echo on earth the song of the angels in heaven as they praise your glory for ever: Holy...

### Communion

Lk 1: 76

II

U, pu- er, \* pro-phé-ta Altíssi- mi vo-  
cá-be- ris : præ- í- bis e- nim an- te fá- ci- em  
Dó- mi-ni pa-rá- re vi- as e- ius.

You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.

### Prayer after Communion

**C**ÆLESTIS Agni convívio refécti, quæsumus, Dómine, ut Ecclésia tua, sumens de beáti Ioánnis Baptístæ generatióne lætítiam, quem ille prænuntiávit ventúrum, suæ regeneratiónis cognóscat auctórem.

**L**ORD, you have renewed us with this eucharist, as we celebrate the feast of John the Baptist, who foretold the coming of the Lamb of God. May we welcome your Son as our Saviour, for he gives us new life, and is Lord for ever and ever.