INTROIT

Ne timeas $Lk 1: 13, 15$

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Ear not, Zechar-\textit{i-ah}, your prayer has been an-
swered; * \textit{E-}liz-\text{abeth}, 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.

$Lk 1: 14-17$

1. And you will have \textit{joy and gladness}, *
   and many will rejoice at \textit{his birth},
   for he will be great in the sight \textit{of the Lord}. *
   He will drink neither wine nor \textit{strong drink}. 
2. He will be filled with the holy Spirit †
even from his mother’s womb, *
and he will turn many of the children of Israel to the Lord
their God.

3. He will go before him in the spirit *
and power of Elijah
to turn the hearts of fathers toward children and the disobe-
dient †
to the understanding of the righteous, *
to prepare a people fit for the LORD.”

Glory be to the Father ...

OFFERTORY

Gloria et honore

Ps 8: 6, 7

O Lord, our Lord, how majestic †
is your name through all the earth! *
Your majesty is set above the heavens.

From the mouths of children and of babes †
you fashioned praise to foil your enemy, *
to silence the foe and the rebel.

Psalm 8
2. When I see the heavens, the work of your fingers, * the moon and the stars which you arranged, 
what is man that you should keep him in mind, * the son of man that you care for him?

3. All of them, sheep and oxen, * 
yes, even the cattle of the fields, 
birds of the air, and fish of the sea * that make their way through the waters.

O LORD, our LORD, how majestic * is your name through all the earth!

COMMUNION

*Magna est gloria eius*Ps 21 (20): 6

Reat is his glory through your salvation; * you have 
endowed him with glory and much splendor, O Lord.

Psalm 21 (20)

1. In your strength, O LORD, the king rejoices; * how greatly your salvation makes him glad! 
You have granted him his heart’s desire; * you have not withheld the prayer of his lips.
2. You came to meet him with blessings of prosperity; * you have set on his head a crown of pure gold. He asked you for life and this you have given: * days that will last from age to age.

3. You have granted him blessings forever, * made him rejoice with the joy of your presence.

4. O LORD, arise in your strength; * we shall sing and praise your power.

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