

June 24

BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

VIGIL MASS

INTROIT

Ne timeas

Lk 1: 13, 15

VII

F

Ear not, Zechar- i-ah, your prayer has been an-
swered; * E-liz-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 *joy and gladness*,*
and many will rejoice at *his birth*,
for he will be great in the sight of *the Lord*.*
He will drink neither wine nor *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

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YOU have crowned him with glory and hon-or; *
 and you have established him over the work of your
 hands, O Lord.

Psalm 8

1. 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*.

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

IV

Great 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*.

Glory be to the Father ...

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