

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 Dó-mi-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. *ψ*. 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, beati Ioánnis Præcursóris hortaménta sectándo, ad eum quem prædixit secúra pervéniat, 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** *v* L- le- lú- ia. *ψ*. Be-

á- tus vir, qui ti- met Dómi-