## LITANY OF SAINT JOHN THE **BAPTIST**

−Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB



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Lord, have mercy on us. Christ, have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us

Christ, hear us. Christ, graciously hear us.

God the Father of Heaven, Have mercy on us. God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mercy on us. God the Holy Ghost, Have mercy on us. Holy Trinity, One God, Have mercy on us.

Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray for us. Cousin of Elizabeth, Pray for us. Voice bringing joy to John in the womb, *Pray for us*.

Saint John the Baptist, Pray for us

Man sent from God, Messenger foretold in prophecy, Child of Elizabeth and Zechariah. Filled with the Holy Spirit, Leaping in your mother's Pray for us womb, Greatest born of woman, Bringing joy and gladness by your birth, Great before the Lord, Strengthened in spirit, Living in the wilderness, Made manifest to Israel, Prophet of the most High, Last and greatest of the prophets, More than a prophet, The Elijah who was to come,

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Forerunner and herald of the Lord, Voice crying in the wilderness, Calling to repentance, Reconciling fathers and	Pray for us.
warning of judgement to come, Making ready a people prepared, Preparing a way for the Lord,	Pray for us
Preaching a baptism for the forgiveness of sins, Preaching Good News to the people,	Pray for us.
Witness to the Light, Pointer to the Lamb, Fulfilling all righteousness, Baptising the Lord, Witness of the Trinity,	Pray for us.

Friend of the Bridegroom,
Upholder of the Law of
God,
Defender of lawful
marriage,
Arrested, imprisoned,
beheaded,
Martyr to the truth,
Intercessor before the
Father,

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, *Spare us, O Lord.*Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Hear us, O Lord.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world,

Have mercy on us, O Lord.

Christ, hear us. *Christ, graciously, hear us.* 

- V. Pray for us, St John the Baptist,
- R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Almighty God, by whose providence Your servant John the Baptist was born and sent to prepare the way for Your Son, the Lamb of God, enable us by his prayers to bear the fruits that befit repentance and become ourselves friends of the Bridegroom,

who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Amen.