

John is his name. (Luke 1:63)

JOANNES EST NOMEN.

Before birth the Lord called me, from my mother's womb He gave me my name. He made my mouth like a sharp-edged sword,



concealed me, shielded by His hand. He made me a sharpened arrow, in His quiver He hid me. (Isaiah 49: 1-2)

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"You will go before the Lord to prepare His ways." (Luke 1:76.)

LITANY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Lord, have mercy on us. *Lord, have mercy on us.*
Christ, have mercy on us. *Christ, have mercy on us.*
Lord, 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 Spirit, *have mercy on us.*
Holy Trinity, One God, *have mercy on us.*

Holy Mary, *pray for us.*
Queen of Prophets, *pray for us.*
Queen of Martyrs, *pray for us.*

Saint John the Baptist,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, precursor of Christ,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, glorious forerunner of the Sun of Justice,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, minister of baptism to Jesus,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, burning and shining lamp of the world,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, angel of purity before your birth,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, special friend and favorite of Christ,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, heavenly contemplative,
whose element was prayer,
pray for us.

St. John the Baptist, intrepid preacher of truth,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, voice crying in the wilderness,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, miracle of mortification and penance,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, example of profound humility,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, glorious martyr of zeal for God's holy law,
pray for us.
St. John the Baptist, gloriously fulfilling your mission,
pray for us.

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,
graciously hear us, O Lord.
Lamb of God, Who takes away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Christ, hear us.
Christ, graciously hear us.

Pray for us, O glorious John the Baptist,
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

(Let us pray:)
O God, Who has honored this world
by the birth of Saint John the Baptist,
grant that your faithful people
may rejoice in the way of eternal salvation,
through Jesus Christ Our Lord. *Amen.*