

June 24th  
Nativity of St. John the Baptist  
Apolytikion

Byzantine Tone 4  
Special Melody: *Be quick to anticipate*

O Proph - et and Fore - run - ner of Christ God's  
com - ing to us, all we who with long - ing  
now ex - tol thee are at a loss to hon - or thee  
worth - i - ly. For thy moth - er's bar - ren - ness and  
fa - ther's long si - lence, by thine all - re - nowned and hal - lowed  
birth, were both end - ed, and th In - car - na - tion  
of the Son of God is preached un - to all the world.