

NOVENA to ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



℟. O glorious St. John the Baptist,

℞. Greatest prophet among those born of woman, * although thou wast sanctified in thy mother's womb * and didst live a most innocent life, * nevertheless it was thy will to retire into the wilderness, * there to devote thyself to the practice of austerity and penance; * obtain for us of thy Lord the grace to be wholly detached, * at least in our hearts, * from earthly goods, * and to practice Christian mortification with interior recollection * and with the spirit of holy prayer.

℟. St. John the Baptist, precursor of Christ,

℞. Pray for us.

℟. St. John the Baptist, shining lamp of the world,

℞. Pray for us.

℟. St. John the Baptist, angel of purity before thy birth,

℞. Pray for us.

℟. O most zealous Apostle,

℞. Who, without working any miracle on others, * but solely by the example of thy life of penance * and the power of thy word, * didst draw after thee the multitudes, * in order to dispose them to receive the Messiah worthily * and to listen to His heavenly doctrine; * grant that it may be given unto us, * by means of the example of a holy life * and the exercise of every good work, * to bring many souls to God, * but above all * those souls that are enveloped in the darkness of error and ignorance * and that are led astray by vice.

℟. 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.

℟. O Martyr invincible,

℞. Who, for the honor of God and the salvation of souls, * didst with firmness and constancy * withstand the impiety of Herod * even at the cost of thine own life, * and didst rebuke him openly * for his wicked and dissolute life; * by thy prayers obtain for us a heart, * brave and generous, * in order that we may overcome all human respect * and openly profess our faith * in loyal obedience to the teachings of Jesus (†) Christ, * our divine Master.

℟. St. John the Baptist, example of profound humility,

℞. Pray for us.

℟. St. John the Baptist, great defender of holy matrimony,

℞. Pray for us.

℟. St. John the Baptist, glorious martyr of zeal for God's holy law, **℞.** Pray for us.

℟. O God, we rejoice at the apostolate of Saint John the Baptist, through whom we came to know our Redeemer and King. Through his intercession we implore...

(Name Your Request)

℟. We offer this prayer to Thee (†) God the Father, through Christ Our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, one God forever and ever.

℞. Amen.

Conclude with an Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be

Suggested Intentions:

- (1) *For Bishop Mark Seitz, that he may always do the divine will and be a holy and heroic bishop for El Paso.*
- (2) *For the restoration and growth of traditional Catholic parish life in El Paso, Las Cruces, and the world;*
- (3) *And for the spiritual and physical needs of Fr. Rodriguez, and that he return to El Paso;*

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