

June 24 Nativity of the Forerunner and Baptist, John

Troparion of the Forerunner - Tone 4:

O Prophet and Forerunner of the coming of Christ, /
Although we cannot praise thee worthily /
We honor thee in love at thy nativity, /
For by it thou didst end the silence and break the barrenness ///
Preaching to the world the incarnation of the Son of God.

Kontakion of the Forerunner - Tone 3: *(To the mel.: Today the Virgin...)*

Today shé who once before was barren /
Now giveth birth to the Forerrunner of Christ. /
He is the fulfillment of every prophecy, /
For as the prophets proclaimed, once he laid his hands upon
Him in the Jordan ///
He would be revealed as the Prophet, Herald and Forerrunner of
the Word of God.