



This Sunday begins the season of announcements before the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Archangel Gabriel appeared to Zechariah while he was offering incense upon the altar and informed him that his wife Elizabeth will conceive and bear a son whose name is John and whose mission is to be the precursor, to prepare the way of the Lord. Due to his disbelief, Zechariah was muted.

As we prepare for Christmas, may we take time to meditate on the marvels of God, on our faith, and the mission entrusted to us so that every one of us will be a guidepost leading to our loving God.

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ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIAH
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From on high the angel came,
clothed in light and blazing
fire. In the temple of the Lord
he announced this joyful news:
“To you, Zechariah, will be
born a son. John will be his
name. Sinners will return to
God when they hear John
preach to them.”

Give praise to the Lord, who
sent us his only Son and gave
John a true voice that would
pave the way, guiding back
those gone astray.

*Sedro-Liturgy of the Word for
the Announcement to Zechariah*

