

Saint John the Baptist

Martyr

Death 31-36

Feast Day - June 24



Jesus called John the greatest of all those who had preceded him: “history has not known a man born of woman greater than John the Baptizer.” Yet the least born into the Kingdom of God is greater than he.” John spent most of his time in the desert in strict prayer and fasting always calling people to a fundamental reform of life. His purpose was to prepare the way of the Lord. John died a martyr’s death by beheading. During his lifetime, he had the courage to speak words of condemnation, of repentance and of salvation.