SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT 12/4/16

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MASS TIMES
Monday to Friday: 6:30 and 9 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM  Vigil : 4:30 & 7:00 PM
Sunday: 7, 9, 10:15, 10:30 AM, 12 & 5 PM
Confessions Saturday 12:30 PM

Contact the Rectory for information on the Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony & Anointing.

THE VOICE OF ONE CRYING IN THE WILDERNESS

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Monday, December 5
6:30 AM Dr. Aleksander Khariton
9:00 AM Marybeth O’Halloran
Timothy Darwell
Aldo Carparelli
Anne-Marie Cheslowitz
Alfonso Rodriguez Cardenas

Tuesday, December 6
6:30 AM Louis Grandwilliams
9:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of the Robinson & Wupper Families

Wednesday, December 7 St. Ambrose
6:30 AM Thomas Henry McLehose
9:00 AM Nancy Stabile
7:00 PM Maureen Burns (vigil mass)

Thursday, December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary
6:30 AM Ann J. Hansen
9:00 AM Vincent Grandelli
4:30 PM Pat Stegmuller & Susan Fallon
7:00 PM Gerard V. Curley

Friday, December 9
6:30 AM Teresa Giunta
9:00 AM June Leahy Furda

Saturday, December 10
8:00 AM Sr. Joseph Richard
Fr. Adrian 4:30 PM John Palumbo
Joan Chilingirian
Stella & Richard Morra
Bill Roberts
Kevin J. Mills
Maureen Keegan
Fr. Charles 7:00 PM Barbara Cannon

Sunday, December 11 Third Sunday of Advent
Fr. Adrian 7:00 AM For the People of Our Parish
Second Grade Mass
For the Intentions of Andrew Till
Margaret Quinn & Joseph N. Piller
Adeline & Peter Villella, Jr.
Mary Cruz
3:00 PM Children’s Christmas Pageant
James Clare
Fr. Charles 5:00 PM

We pray for our recently deceased
Helen Jaccard-Virbooks
Patrick Clarke
Vito Cangialosi
Beatrice Loretta Blake
James R. Burford, Jr.
Ellen Ross
George J. Skinnion
Terri Ann Clarke
Elizabeth Resnick
Eleanor Klos

Thursday, December 8th
The Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 PM (Vigil Mass) and Thursday, December 8th at 6:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 4:30 PM and 7:00 PM.

Advent Candles
The Advent Candle for the second week of Advent will be lit in memory of Brian Dione.

Bread & Wine
The Eucharistic Bread & Wine for the week will be offered in loving memory of Terri Ann Clarke from the Whelan & O’Connor Families.

Ministry Meetings
Tuesday, December 6th in the Holy Family Chapel, 7:00 PM-8:00 PM
- Baptism Team
- Pre-Cana Team
- RCIA Team

Bulletin Notes
To place a notice in our bulletin email Bulletin11710@aol.com.
A Brief Examination of Conscience
Based on the Ten Commandments

1. I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange Gods before me. Have I treated people, events, or things as more important than God?

2. You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church, or people?

3. Remember to keep holy the Lord’s Day. Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) and on Holy Days of Obligation (Jan. 1; the Ascension; Aug. 15; Nov. 1; Dec. 8; Dec. 25)? Do I avoid, when possible, work that impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord’s Day, and proper relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend time with family or in service on Sunday?

4. Honor your father and your mother. Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize them for lacking skills I think they should have?

5. You shall not kill. Have I harmed another through physical, verbal, or emotional means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?

6. You shall not commit adultery. Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity of others and of myself?

7. You shall not steal. Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to another?

8. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. Have I gossiped, told lies, or embellished stories at the expense of another?

9. You shall not covet your neighbor’s spouse. Have I honored my spouse with my full and exclusive love?

10. You shall not covet your neighbor’s goods. Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare myself to others unnecessarily?
What's Pastor Thinking?

We have started decorating our homes for Christmas, complete with trees and lights and holly and pointsettias. It won't be long before there will be presents wrapped up to add to the decorations. And then . . . the parties step up the action - work parties, school parties, family parties. What with all the festivities it’s easy to get lost in the shuffle, to miss the season altogether. Our lives can get so crowded, we crowd out God.

John the Baptist asks people HOW they are preparing for the Messiah. He reminds them that the prophets told them about the coming King; he reminds us that the scriptures make it clear that preparations must be made for him to come, including making the roads straight.

So John suggests that one of the marks of the people of God is a people who are making a path for the Messiah to walk - a path in their society as well as in their own lives. His message is a startling warning that we have not prepared for Christ as much we prepare for Christmas. We haven't left any room in the Inn with all of our busyness.

John the Baptist tells us that we need to prepare for Christ - the fully grown Christ who will change our lives (not just a baby) - and that the preparations will require some life-style changes. He tells us we will need to change the way we are living, we must repent.

The Sadducees and Pharisees were the respected religious leaders of John's day. They were the pastors and bishops, and Religion teachers of the Jewish synagogue. They did not always agree with one another in their understanding of faith, but they were the ones that people respected. They were not much different than most of us. To them, to us, John sends a special warning. ‘Don't think that just because you are a member of the church that you are exempt. Don't think that just because you have been baptized that you are above reproach. Don't think that just because you attend church regularly that God will honor you.'

The real question is not how you live your lives, but who lives within you. Is there room for Christ in your life? Is there room for God in your lifestyle? Do you honor God in all that you do? We can easily get so busy preparing for Christmas that we forget about Christ. And to us John the Baptist says, ‘Repent. Change the way you are living.’

Perhaps we could use this Advent as a time of reconciliation. Confessions are available at St. Barnabas on Saturdays at 12:30 PM and on December 14th and 15th at 7:00 PM. Together we can all prepare for Christ as we prepare for Christmas. Together we can make preparations for the birth of the Christ child in our world and in our lives.

Prepare the Way for the Lord

A voice of one calling: “In the wilderness prepare the way for the Lord; make straight in the desert a highway for our God.”

Isaiah 40:3
The Week at a Glance

**Sunday:**  
Cub Scout Bake Sale following Masses  
7:00 PM Lessons & Carols, Church  
7:30 PM Al-Anon, School Cafeteria

**Monday:**  
7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC

**Tuesday:**  
10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Meeting Rectory Meeting Room  
1:00 PM Friendly Seniors, HFC  
5:45 PM Christmas Play Practice, Church  
7:00 PM Catholic Daughters Mtg. School Cafeteria  
7:00 PM Baptism Class, Church  
7:00 PM Ministry Meeting for Baptismal Team, Pre-Cana & RCIA members  
7:30 PM Bereavement Group, Rectory

**Wednesday:**  
No Religious Ed.  
7:00 PM Rosary Making Group, School  
7:30 PM Al-Anon, Rectory  
7:30 PM RCIA, Convent  
8:00 PM Choir Rehearsal, Church

**Thursday:**  
No Religious Ed.  
1:30 PM Contemplative Prayer, Convent Meeting Room  
7:30 PM Contemplative Prayer, Convent Meeting Room  
7:00 PM Bible Study, Rectory

**Friday:**  
1:30 PM Lectio Divina, Convent Meeting Room  
6:30 PM Christmas Play Practice Church  
7:30 PM Lectio Divina, Church

**Saturday:**  
12:30 PM Confessions, Church

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Financial Reports

**11/22/2015:** $16,643  
**11/20/2016:** $16,989

**11/29/2015:** $15,891  
**11/27/2016:** $18,376

Parish Families Registered: 5,029  
Envelopes Mailed: 1,284 Used: 610  
Envelopes Used 11/29/15: 623

**2016 Catholic Ministries Appeal**  
Goal: $107,900 Donors: 553  
Pledged: $121,447 Received: $117,632

Second Collection This Week  
Maintenance & Repair

Second Collection Next Week  
Religious Retirement Collection

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Retirement Fund for Religious  
Please give to those who have given a lifetime.
Remember your loved ones by having Poinsettias placed on the sanctuary for Christmas

The offering is $15

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

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Banns of Marriage
Dean Angell & Colleen Oakes

Christmas Wafers
In some traditions a blessed wafer is shared among family members at the beginning of the meal at Christmas to recall the real “Bread of Life” who came among us over 2,000 years ago. The blessed wafers are available at the rectory. Your free will offering will be donated to Parish Outreach.
Join children as they present

The Story of the First Christmas

Directed by Lyn Politi

Sunday, December 11th
3:00 PM
St. Barnabas Church

Come celebrate the True Meaning of Christmas through the eyes, hearts and voices of the Children.

Practice on Tuesday, December 6th at 5:45 PM - 6:45 PM
Dress rehearsal on Friday, December 9th from 6:30 PM - 7:45 PM in the Church.
Children ages 3 and up are invited to participate.

Children, join us on Christmas Eve for the 4:00 PM Mass dressed as shepherds and angels.
Arrive by 3:40 PM and gather downstairs in the Holy Family Chapel to line up.
We will walk in the entrance procession to the altar then return to be seated with parents.
St. Barnabas has many costumes that children can borrow for this mass, on a first come first serve basis.
Costumes can be returned to the Rectory the week after Christmas.
A picture of a star will be given to parents to put the pew next to them to reserve a seat for their child.
Refreshments to follow in the Holy Family Chapel.
In 1924, four valiant women traveled from Halifax, Nova Scotia to New York. The Sisters came to Brooklyn – to Our Lady of Angels parish to open a school and to continue the good works that had begun in Canada.

In September 1924 six Sisters welcomed 350 children in eight classes. Already the Sisters were collaborating with the laity, with four teachers joining them at OLA School. The Sisters also taught religion classes and prepared children to receive communion and confirmation. Because the convent was not ready for the Sisters, they created a “convent space” in the school and slept in this area until the convent was completed in 1927!

The school at OLA continued to grow, and the ministry of education by the Sisters of Charity expanded to other parishes including St. Barnabas in Bellmore (1931), Our Lady Help of Christians in Brooklyn, St. Aidan in Williston Park, St. Nicholas of Tolentine in Jamaica, Resurrection-Ascension in Rego Park, and Our Lady of Good Counsel on Staten Island, to name a few.

The first high school founded by the Sisters of Charity in New York was opened in 1937 as Patchogue Catholic High School, which was renamed Seton Hall High School in 1940. Staffed by four Sisters, the school opened with an enrollment of seven boys and ten girls and within just a few years, the number of students had grown to 100!

Over 90 years since arriving at Our Lady of Angels, Sisters of Charity, Halifax continue to have a significant impact on so many people in New York. The ministry of the Sisters is still evident in the field of education. Many new ministries have been added to the list of places where Sisters of Charity minister – places of need for women and children, parish ministry and a wide variety of social service ministry settings. These new responses to new needs are but a new expression of the same mission of the four Sisters who arrived in Brooklyn, New York in 1924.

The Sisters of Charity, with respect for the past and with enthusiasm for the future, continue to respond to needs as they "give joyful witness to Love: the love of God, of one another, and of all persons."

The members of the Sisters of Charity, Halifax and their Associates will be attending the 12 Mass today.

At this liturgy, they renew their vows and commitment and will invite all at the liturgy to make a commitment to live our Gospel commitment. Let us welcome them joyfully!
St. Barnabas Parents Night
For Parents of Children Attending Religious Education & Catholic School

Tuesday December 13th and January 10th
7 to 8PM Holy Family Chapel

God is the Answer
Finding Peace, Mercy and Salvation in Christ and His Church

Presenter: Nolan Reynolds of the Campus Ministry at Holy Trinity Diocesan High School
Call 785-0130 to confirm

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 7:00pm
Presented At
St. Barnabas R.C. Church
2320 Bedford Ave., Bellmore NY 11710

Featuring
The St. Barnabas Choir
William Dione, Music Director
**Be An Angel**

Gift giving and gift receiving are meant to remind us of the real meaning behind our celebration of Christmas - God’s priceless gift of His Son, Jesus. And since the time that Mary and Joseph wandered homeless into Bethlehem, providing for the needy has always been a Christmas tradition. So again this year, our parish will make available baskets filled with Angel Tags, each angel carrying the name of a gift needed by someone in our community. You are invited to take home an angel or two during the next couple of weekends, and bring your gifts to the church lobby. A special collection box will be placed there for gift cards or you may bring them to the rectory. Please securely attach your angel tags, but do not wrap the gifts, as we will have wrap and ribbon available to go with them. The gifts will be distributed the week of December 12th, so please try to deliver them by December 11th! God bless your generosity...and through it may Jesus be born once more in all of our hearts this Christmas.

**St. Vincent de Paul Society**

In today’s Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to “Prepare the way of the Lord.” This is what advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our hearts and to reach out to those in need. This year open your heart, by some gesture of generosity to the poor and needy in the parish. Because of your generosity this Christmas the poor and needy will feel less hungry, less alone and less unloved. Help is available for people who are behind on their utility payments or having trouble keeping their oil tank filled. Project Warmth can help. For information please call United Way of Long Island at 211 or 1-888-774-7633, Monday thru Saturday, 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

**New Appointment**

Fr. Francis Agyeman has been posted by the military command to the First Battalion of Infantry in Tema, Michel Camp as the Battalion chaplain. He will take post today, December 4.

**Friendly Seniors**

The Friendly Seniors will meet at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, December 6th in the Holy Family Chapel.

**St. Barnabas Widow & Widowers**

Join us for our Christmas party/meeting Sunday, December 11th at 12:00 PM at the Wantagh Inn. The cost is $27 and should be sent no later than December 4th to Dolores Meadows 2671 Cedar Street Seaford 11783 or call 826-2512 with questions.

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas**

The next meeting of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Mother Seton #2413, will be on Tuesday, December 6th at 7:00 PM in the school cafeteria. After a short meeting for our annual Christmas Party and Yankee Swap will take place. Call Jackie with questions at 781-7846.

**Respect Life**

Something to think about - “I wish to restate as firmly as I can that abortion is a grave sin, since it puts an end to innocent life. In the same way, however, I can and must state that there is no sin that God’s mercy cannot reach and wipe away when it finds a repentant heart seeking to be reconciled with the Father.” Pope Francis, “Mercy and Misery”, Apostolic Letter, November 20, 2016.

March for Life Mission Statement - “The mission of the March for Life is to provide all Americans with a place to testify to the beauty of life and the dignity of each human person.” Please consider joining us on our bus trip to Washington, DC on January 27, 2017 to participate in this powerful, life-changing event. For details contact Vin Murray at 781-7846.

**Spiritual Prayer Gift to the Infant Jesus**

Ocean of Mercy
Diocese of Rockville Centre Day of Prayer and Healing for Women, Healing After Abortion, will be held on Saturday, December 10th. To register contact Project Rachel at 1-888-456-4673 or email projectrachel@drvc.org. Reservations and information are confidential.

St. Barnabas Choir
The St. Barnabas Choir is seeking new members. Altos especially needed, but all voices are welcome. No audition required, just the desire to share your talents with our congregation.

Rehearsals are Wednesday nights at 8:00 PM in the Church, and we sing at the 10:30 AM Sunday Masses in addition to some special events during the year. Please call the rectory and ask for Bill Dione.

Rosary Making Group
The Rosary Making Group welcomes new members. We meet every Wednesday, from 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the school cafeteria. Please call Melissa at 221-9821 if you are interested in joining.

Jesus Loves Me Medal
First grade Daisies may earn the Jesus Loves Me Award, introducing them to the connection between scouting and their spiritual lives. Girls work with their families over a period of two to four months and receive their medals at Mass on Girl Scout Sunday. To register please contact Joan Monastero at monasteroj@verizon.net. Or call 783-8567.

The Long Island Catholic Magazine
The December edition of The Long Island Catholic Magazine features the Church of the Good Shepherd, Holbrook; A profile of recently ordained priest, Fr. Sean Magaldi; a feature on the Diocesan Choir and a cover story on Catholic Charities’ Regina Residence providing hope to mothers who face an unexpected pregnancy. The Long Island Catholic depends upon your subscription to continue to bring these positive stories about our Church to its people. Subscribe today at licatholic.org or call 1-800-443-2155. One year of 10 issues for $20.
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Patrick Coons

We Pray for the Sick
Nicoletta Russo, Meghan Alice Roach, Stephen Rich, Patrick Hoyne, Don Davis, Kim Loucks, John Scalia, Rosemary Grandwilliams, Louis Romano, Eugene Ryan, Kristin O’Halloran, Patricia Merget, Theresa Anselmo, Jason Todhunter, Jacob Daniel Haubeil, John Nalick, Kevin Keegan, Joyce Caggiano, Joan Gallagher, Robert Volpe, Christina Sumperl, George Stockerl, Angelo Giglio, Donna Polemini, Terrie Manderson, Charlie Riiska, Evelyn LaMont, Dr. Lawton Manderson, Maggie Schmidt, Sophie Buzzeo, Mario G. Cacace, Dolores Trimboli, Robert Wright, Cynthia Simpson, Jillian K. Yonker, Ed Messemer, Charles Young, Iype Kuriakose, Mary Beth Novello, Robert Pisano, Anthony Cammaratta, Dominick Carillo, Andrzej Okolski, Angela Ferrara, James Valentino, Peter & Margaret Meenan, Baby Lucas Spina, Babies Grayson & Gavin Pierre

Christmas Mass Schedule
Saturday, December 24th, Christmas Eve
4:00 PM, 6:00 PM, 10:00 PM & Midnight
The 4:00 PM Mass will be celebrated in both the Church and the Holy Family Chapel. As these Masses are crowded, please do not reserve seats for others.

Sunday, December 25th, Christmas Day
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM & 12 Noon
Parent & Child Program

For children ages 2-3 years old. Our Time is a class where a child with a parent can become familiar with the classroom environment while singing songs, doing crafts, reading books, and celebrating God’s love together.

- Class sessions are offered on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM from September through June at Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School.
- Our Time is an affordable way to introduce your child to the classroom environment without the worry of being separated.
- It allows for the child to be comforted with a parent’s presence and prepare for entering Pre-K.
- Our Time is taught by Mrs. Sabina Lamb. Mrs. Lamb is also the leader of the Family Liturgy Music Ministry. Contact Sabina Lamb 781-9834

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Dear Parishioners.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School is proud to honor the following exceptional people at the 2017 SEASON to Believe Gala.

Father Gregory Cappuccino – Pastor of St. Frances de Chantal
Laurie & Jim Graham – Faith Formation Committee
Laurie & John Murray Jr. – Faith Formation Committee
Lyn Ryan – Administrative Assistant to Ms. Graziose

As a permanent remembrance of each Gala, a 16 x 20 Scroll of Honor is professionally printed, framed and prominently displayed in the School’s lobby. The success of the Gala depends upon the generosity of our donors. Please consider purchasing a donation for the Scroll of Honor. The donation levels for the Scroll of Honor are:

**Grand Marquis - $1,500**

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Please return the bottom half of this form with your level of donation.
If you have any questions, please contact Stacy Romanelli at 457-0558 or seasgalafeb@gmail.com. All Scroll donations need to be in by January 20, 2017.

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I would like to support the SEASON to Believe Gala. Please include the following business, family and/or group name on the Scroll of Honor. Enclosed is my check payable to SEAS in the amount of $______________.

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Thank you,
SEAS Gala Committee
In November of 2017 Fr. Kevin will be leading a 10 day pilgrimage to the Holy Land

I have been leading these pilgrimages for many years. The land where Jesus walked is one of my favorite destinations.

On my very first retreat I had the great privilege to celebrate the Liturgy every morning in the tomb where Jesus rose, or on Golgotha where he was crucified. I would leave the hotel at 4:30 AM to walk to the Church of the Holy Sepulcher. Once the church was opened I would go to the sacristan to find out what altar was available for me to celebrate the Eucharist. Every morning I was told that either the altar on Golgotha was available of the altar in the Tomb itself. What a privilege to be able to celebrate the Eucharist at these holy sites.

On our pilgrimage we will see so much more, including the Mount of the Beatitudes, the Church of St. Anne, and the Church of All Nations where Jesus experienced his agony in the garden. The pilgrimage promises to be a deeply spiritual and moving experience. I hope many of you will be able to participate in the pilgrimage of a lifetime.

Fr. Kevin
A parish trip is planned to Radio City for the Christmas Spectacular for December 16th. We will attend the 7:30 PM show.

The cost of the ticket will be your choice, according to the location you choose.

Ticket Prices:
- 3rd Mezzanine: $55.00 per ticket*
- 2nd Mezzanine & Side Orchestra: $65.00 per ticket*
- 1st Mezzanine & Orchestra: $80.00 per ticket*
- Prime (more front and centered in the orchestra and 1st Mezzanine) $105.00 a ticket*
- Premium (these are the best seats in the house in orchestra and 1st Mezzanine) $135.00 *each ticket will have an additional $3.50 service fee.

In addition to the cost of the tickets there will be a charge for the bus. The cost of the bus will be divided by the number of seats that are sold. The more tickets we sell the lower the cost of the bus will be. The bus will leave St. Barnabas parking lot at noon.

The bus will drop us off at St. Patrick’s Cathedral on 5th Avenue. The bus will leave us at that point. After viewing the new renovation of St. Patrick’s Cathedral, you will be on your own.

Some may choose to have dinner at a fine restaurant. Others may choose a simple meal. Others may want to see the window displays on 5th Avenue. Still others will want to see the tree and watch the skaters at Rockefeller Center.

We will all meet up at Radio City around 7:00 PM for the show. After the bus drops you off at St. Patrick’s Cathedral you will be responsible for your own transportation until after the show. Following the show the bus will pick us up outside of Radio City.

Please call Fr. Kevin at the rectory by Tuesday, December 6th to reserve your tickets.
Who was John the Baptist talking about?

Connect the dots and trace the name.
1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13

Find and circle the hidden objects in the picture.

JESUS

Help the people get to John.

Use the code to fill in the missing letters.

△ = H  ★ = P  ○ = R
□ = L  □ = T

“△E WI □□

BA ___ IZE

WI ___ ___ E

___ O Y S ___ I ___ I.”

△ □ ★ ○ □
John Prepares the Way for Jesus

John the Baptist came, preaching in the desert of Judea. What did he say?

Add and subtract letters to find out.

- op + u = ____________
- rg + a = ________
- imbl = ________
- pump + ift + g + ap = ____________
- mp + sh = ________
- ous + - pple + - an + - h = ____________
- fh = ________
- ickl + m = ________

Follow the directions to find out.
1) Change all the 5's to A's and all the 7's to H's.
2) For all the Q's, U's, J's, and P's, write the letter that comes before it in the alphabet.
3) Change all C's to H's, and all the Z's to W's.
4) Change all the G's to D's.
5) For all M's, K's, and X's, write the letter that comes after it in the alphabet.
6) Where you find a B, an F, and an E, they should stay.
7) Change the to M, the to U, the to C, the to S, and the to Z.

Z J K K P P E E P M E Z C P
J J P 7 E Q P Z E 7 F A K
U C S M J C E Z J K K
B 5 Q U J E X P Z J U C
U C E C P K X Q J 7 J U
5 M G Z J U C F J 7 E

Do the math problems. Then use the answers to put the correct words on the lines.

5 to 12 with 11 warned 16 for 14 from 8 wrath
7 who 4 you 10 3 coming 9 coming 6 flee 13 repentance
4 + 3 18 - 7 7 + 8
13 - 8 7 - 5 5 + 9
16 - 13 5 + 4 12 - 4

What else did John say?

5 + 5 3 - 2 19 - 15 6 + 6
21 - 15 11 + 5 9 + 4