Adoration of the Eucharist:
Saturday: 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (provided there is no baptism or wedding).
Tuesday: 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Baptisms:
Saturdays at 11:30 AM & Sunday at 1:30 PM (when the Church is available).

Confessions:
Monday - Friday after 9:00 AM Mass
Tuesday 6:30 PM - 7:00 PM
Saturday 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM

Anointing of the Sick:
Celebrated on the fourth Saturday of the month after 8:00 AM Mass.

Sacrament of Matrimony:
Contact the Rectory for Information.

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton School
Principal - Ms. Leeann Graziose
(516) 785-5709

Christian Formation
Mrs. Marjorie Lampert
(516) 785-0130

Youth Ministry & Confirmation Preparation
Mr. John Isnardi

Social Ministry
Mrs. Alice Witt
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Music Ministry
Mr. William R. Dione

Business & Personnel
Mr. John G. Nappi

Advent
The coming of the Messiah

December 8, 2019

THE SALVATION OF SOULS IS THE SUPREME LAW

OUR PASTORAL STAFF
Rev. Jeff Yildirmaz, Pastor
ext. 115
Rev. Michael Ngoka, CM,
Associate Pastor
ext. 118
Rev. Shaju Devassy,
Associate Pastor
ext. 119
Rev. Sean Magaldi,
In Residence

MASS TIMES
Monday - Friday: 6:30 AM & 9:00 AM
Saturday: 8:00 AM, 4:30 PM (Vigil) & 7:00 PM (Vigil)
Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:15 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM & 5:00 PM

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Open daily until 8:00 PM
Sundays until 6:00 PM

Office Hours
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Friday: 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Saturday & Sunday: 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Priest Emergency
(516) 590-9981

Maintenance & Security Cell:
(516) 808-5491
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On December 9, 1531 in what is now Mexico City, St. Juan Diego saw Our Lady of Guadalupe. Missionaries were trying to convert the natives to the Catholic Faith. Unfortunately, they were unsuccessful for the most part until Our Lady intervened. St. Juan Diego, a native, embraced the faith and was baptized a few years before 1531.

The Virgin of Guadalupe wanted a chapel to be built in honor of her son. Juan Diego delivered this message to the bishop. The bishop was reluctant and asked for a sign. On December 12th, the Virgin of Guadalupe delivered her sign. She asked Juan Diego to pluck out some roses and wrap it in his cloak and deliver it to the bishop. He did so. As he approached the bishop, he tripped. The roses fell and the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared.

Through the image of Our Lady of Guadalupe, many souls have converted to the faith. Today, the Shrine of Guadalupe is one the most visited shrines in the world. It is estimated that about 20 million pilgrims visit the shrine every year.

The Aztec symbol of the black ribbon on the Virgin’s hands signifies that she is pregnant. It is a beautiful sign of the dignity and sacredness of life.

On Sunday, December 8th, from 9:00 PM to 1:00 AM we will be joining many parishes throughout the country in the National Prayer for Life.

We will be praying for the protection of human life from conception to natural death. By midnight, parishes in the west coast will be joining us in prayer for the protection of life and for an end of abortion. Please feel free to come, even if it is just for a few minutes.

We believe that God is love. Abortion is the very antithesis of love. As serious as this is, we must not lose hope. Through prayers, lives can be saved. Through prayers, conversions can happen. The sin of abortion can be absolved through the sacrament of confession.

In times of darkness, Our Blessed Mother is the greatest saint to go to. She knows the pains of death through being with her Son in His Passion. Through sharing her Son’s Passion as every Christian does, she persevered and placed her entire hope in God.

In Jesus and Mary,

[Signature]

- Information taken from Catholic Spirit website
The Parish of St. Barnabas the Apostle presents....

“The Story of the First Christmas”

Sunday, December 22nd, 2019 at 3:00 PM

Calling all angels, stars, townspeople, and shepherds, why not take some time this holiday season to let the joy of Christmas fill your heart! Come experience the true meaning of the very first Christmas. Children ages 3 and up are invited to participate in this memorable Advent presentation. We are fortunate to have children of all ages participate in this performance from middle and high school ages to little ones who are first time angels and shepherds. Why not join us? Everyone is welcome! Let us join together as a faith filled community to celebrate the joy of the very First Christmas.

Practices will be held: Friday, December 13th from 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (meet in Upper Church) and Friday, December 20th from 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM (meet in Holy Family Chapel). If you are interested in participating, simply join us on Friday or email Lyn Politi at stbarnabasfamilyliturgy@gmail.com.
We Pray for Our Deceased
Marilyn Avena
Margaret Meenan
Alan Murillo

Advent Wreath Candles
The Second Candle on the Advent Wreath is lit in loving memory of Louis Scheibeler.

We Pray for Our Sick

Presentation of Gifts
If you wish to carry the gifts of Bread and Wine to the altar at weekend Masses please contact an usher before Mass begins and sign your name on the list at the Church door.

The Week Ahead

Monday:
7:30 PM  Charismatic Prayer Group, HFC
7:45 PM  SEAS Nativity, Church

Tuesday:
3:00 PM- 7:00 PM  Adoration, Church
6:30 PM- 7:00 PM  Confessions, Church
7:30 PM  Pro Life Group, Rectory

Wednesday:
7:00 PM  CHOSEN Level 8, HFC
7:00 PM  RCIA, Convent Room
7:30 PM  Al-Anon, Rectory
7:30 PM  Choir Practice, Church

Thursday:
7:00 PM  Bible Study, Rectory
7:00 PM  CHOSEN Level 8, HFC

Saturday:
All Masses  Boy Scout Bake Sale

Sunday:
All Masses  Boy Scout Bake Sale
7:00 PM  Lessons and Carols, Church
7:30 PM  Al Anon, School

Our Finances
11/24/19: $15,231  11/25/18: $15,146
12/1/19: $15,710  12/2/18: $16,537
Parish Families Registered: 5,064
Envelopes Mailed: 1,566
Used:
11/24/19: 566  11/25/18: 527
12/1/19: 504  12/2/18: 519

Special Collections
This Weekend - Retirement Fund for Religious Catholic Ministries Appeal
Goal: $108,900  Donors: 424
Pledged: $97,166  Received: $94,394
1st CANDLE – (purple) THE PROPHECY CANDLE or CANDLE OF HOPE – We can have hope because God is faithful and will keep the promises made to us. Our hope comes from God. (Romans 15:12-13)

2nd CANDLE – (purple) THE BETHLEHEM CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF PREPARATION – God kept his promise of a Savior who would be born in Bethlehem. Preparation means to “get ready”. Help us to be ready to welcome YOU, O GOD! (Luke 3:4-6)

3rd CANDLE – (pink) THE SHEPHERD CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF JOY – The angels sang a message of JOY! (Luke 2:7-15)

4th CANDLE – (purple) THE ANGEL CANDLE or THE CANDLE OF LOVE – The angles announced the good news of a Savior. God sent his only Son to earth to save us, because he loves us! (John 3:16-17)

5th CANDLE – (white) “CHRIST CANDLE” – The white candle reminds us that Jesus is the spotless lamb of God, sent to wash away our sins! His birth was for his death, his death was for our birth! (John 1:29)
During this night of prayer we will be united with churches across the country in prayer for the preservation of the family, the protection of human life from conception to natural death, and for the end of abortion throughout the world.
Flower Memorials
The flowers on the Altar may be memorialized in honor of loved ones. Offerings can be made for the Main Altar, Blessed Mother’s Altar, Shrines and Blessed Sacrament. Contact the rectory to make arrangements.

Join Us For the Rosary
We are looking for some wonderful people who love the blessed Mother as much as we do, to come join us in saying the Rosary, Monday through Friday in the Church before the start of 9:00 AM Mass. We have also been known to go out to breakfast after Mass a couple of times during the year. Come join us!

Social Ministry Advent Giving
As we journey together this Advent season, Social Ministry invites you to participate in our weekly Advent Giving Program. By donating one item each weekend of Advent, it would help to fill our Pantry shelves and provide for our needy families. Many thanks and blessings during this Holy season.
- 2nd Sunday of Advent (December 8th) - laundry detergent, dishwashing liquid
- 3rd Sunday of Advent (December 15th) - coffee, tea, hot chocolate, juice
- 4th Sunday of Advent (December 22nd) - bar soap, shampoo/conditioner, deodorant
Donations can be left in the Church Lobby near the Tree of Life or brought to the Rectory Office. Thank you!

Christmas Gift Giving
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 that time that Mary and Joseph wandered homeless in Bethlehem, providing for the needy has been a tradition. So, again this year, our parish will make available Christmas Gift Tags, each carrying the name of a gift needed by someone in our community. You are invited to take home a tag or two during the next couple of weekends. Please securely attach your tag to the gift and leave unwrapped in the Church Lobby or bring to the Rectory Office. Gift cards can be left at the Rectory Office as well. We ask that gifts be delivered by Monday, December 9th so we can pick up and distribute to our families in time. God bless you for your continued kindness and generosity. May Jesus be born once more in all of our hearts this Christmas.

Extraordinary Ministers, Altar Servers & Lectors
Sign-up sheets for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year’s Eve & New Year’s Day Masses are available in the Church. The Mass times are Tuesday, December 24th, Christmas Eve at 4:00 PM (Church), 4:00 PM (Holy Family Chapel), 6:00 PM, 10:00 PM and 12 Midnight. On Christmas Day, Mass is at 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 12 Noon.

Ushers
Sign-up sheets for Christmas Eve, Christmas Day & New Year’s Eve & New Year’s Day Masses are available in the back of Church. Thank you for your service during the year.
Our Mission is to Encourage Evangelize & Educate

Please support the Parish of St. Barnabas by making a donation to support the decorating of the Church with flowers for Christmas

Name: ___________________ Amount $ _____

In memory of: _____________________________
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In thanksgiving for: _______________________
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Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound
Please pick up your poinsettias for your home visits at the rectory December 12th and 13th between the hours of 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM, and December 14th between 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM.

Christmas Candles
The candles on the sanctuary at Christmas may be memorialized. The offering of $50 may be made at the rectory.

SEAS Christmas Card Raffle
Support our regional school by purchasing a Christmas Raffle card for $10. Each card equals 31 opportunities to win cash up to $2,500. Great stocking stuffers. Contact the main office of school at 785-5709 to purchase through December 19th.
Pre Cana Winter Schedule

Opening: February 9th
On line Foccus: February 10th - 14th
Foccus Review: February 17th - 21st
In Home Sessions: February 23rd - March 27th
Closing: March 29th

Charismatic Prayer Group

St. Barnabas Charismatic Prayer Group is a Spirit filled prayer group with praise, song, scripture reading and sharing. We provide and encourage continuing support for personal growth and discovering Christ in your daily life. Come and hear about the life changing experiences and how the Holy Spirit is working in our lives. How Scripture comes alive, prayer life becomes renewed and faith is uplifted. Experience that personal relationship with Jesus Christ that makes Liturgy come alive. Our meetings begin with a Spirit filled time of Praise in song led by our music Ministry “In the Way”. Come, taste and see the goodness of the Lord. Join us every Monday evening from 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM to see and hear what Jesus is doing. Fellowship and refreshments after. For further information, contact Ellen O’Malley at 221-0574.

Thank you from Social Ministry

A big, heartfelt thank you to all of our parishioners who gave so generously to Parish Social Ministry for Thanksgiving. Your donations helped us to provide baskets to over 60 families who are struggling and needed the help to make Thanksgiving a special day for them. We received turkeys, food, checks, cash and gift cards which went to these families providing them with foods from breakfast to dinner and many extras. A special thank you to the volunteers who gave so generously of their time to help sort, assemble and distribute the food baskets. We are also grateful to our Regional School, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, our Charismatic Prayer Group, Stew Leonard’s, Runyons Restaurant, the Police Holy Name Society, the Girl Scouts and the boys on the Travel Baseball Team. With sincere thanks and many blessings to all.
Pray for Vocations

This week, please keep our Bishops, Priests and Seminarians in your prayers.

Mary, Mother of Jesus, throw your mantel of purity over our priests. Protect them, guide them, and keep them in your heart. Be a Mother to them, especially in times of discouragement and loneliness. Love them and keep them belonging completely to Jesus. Like Jesus, they, too, are your sons, so keep their hearts pure and virginal. Keep their minds filled with Jesus, and put Jesus always on their lips, so that He is the one they offer to sinners and to all they meet. Mary, Mother of Jesus, be their Mother, loving them and bringing them joy. Take special care of sick and dying priests, and the ones most tempted. Remember how they spent their youth and old age, their entire lives serving and giving all to Jesus. Mary, bless them and keep a special place for them in your heart. Give them a piece of your heart, so beautiful and pure and immaculate, so full of love and humility, so that they, too, can grow in the likeness of Christ. Dear Mary, make them humble like you, and holy like Jesus. Amen.
Choir Members Needed

The Music Ministry of St. Barnabas Choir plays a vital part in liturgical celebrations throughout the year. *Lessons and Carols*, Christmas, Lent and Easter Services are sung by our choir. The choir sings at 10:30 AM Mass on Sundays. Our liturgies are enriched by their musical participation. St. Barnabas Choir is welcoming new members. The choir is in need of Soprano, Alto and especially male voices, Tenor and Bass. No audition is necessary and the ability to read music is not required. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:30 PM in the Church. For more information, please contact Mr. Dione, our Choir Director at the Rectory Office at 785-0054.

Knights Korner

It is now much easier to join us using the online application. Go to [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org) and follow the “join” buttons. Our Council is #3689 and is needed to complete the application and be assigned to our Council.

*Christmas Party* - The Knights will host a Christmas party on December 14th at 101 Frederick Avenue (Columbus Club) from 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM. For $25 per person, there will be dinner, Christmas atmosphere, open bar and good cheer. For reservation, call the Knights at 785-9407 or 849-7600 and leave a message for Tom Ancona. All parishioners are welcome.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.”

Work to ensure your marriage bears good fruit by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are January 31st - February 2nd and May 1st - 3rd, in Huntington. For information, call John and Toni Torio at (877) 697-9963 or visit them at [wwmenyli.org](http://wwmenyli.org).

Cure of Ars Mothers’ Group

Come join the Cure of Ars Mothers’ Group, for coffee, snacks, prayers, fellowship, charity events, outings and laughter. Our goal is to offer support to each other in a caring, relaxing, non-judgmental environment. We meet every **Monday** when school is in session from 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM in the Conference Room in the school building of Cure of Ars. We have experienced babysitters available to watch toddlers in a safe and enjoyable playroom. All are welcome! Call Isabel Donis at 395-2784 for further information.
Focus on Freedom of Religion

Protecting Conscience Rights for Doctors & Nurses:

Texas: A recent U.S. District Court ruling will allow doctors to refuse to perform gender-transition surgeries that violate their faith as well as their scientific judgment that the procedures can cause significant risks, especially to children, that include heart conditions, loss of bone density, and increased risk of cancer. Also, “studies show that children with gender dysphoria found that fewer than one in four children continued to experience that condition into adulthood,” said a Becket Law statement. In May, 2016, the Dept. of Health & Human Services (HHS) issued a rule requiring all doctors to perform gender-transition surgery. If the doctor refused - even on religious grounds - they could be fired or face severe consequences. “Today marks a major victory for compassion, conscience, and sound medical judgment,” said Luke Goodrich, VP of Becket Law.

Vermont: The HHS Office for Civil Rights recently announced that the Un. Of Vermont Medical Center violated the conscience rights of a nurse forced to assist in an elective abortion in 2018 against her conscience/religious objections. The nurse was not told the procedure was an abortion until she walked into the room and the doctor said, “Don’t hate me.” “Forcing medical staff to assist in the taking of human life inflicts a moral injury on them that is not only unnecessary and wrong, it violates longstanding federal law,” said Roger Severino, Director of OCR. “Our investigation has uncovered serious discrimination by UVMMC against nurses and staff who cannot, in good conscience, assist in elective abortions. We stand ready to assist UVMMC in changing its policies and procedures to respect conscience rights and remedy the effects of the discrimination.”

“Never do anything against conscience even if the state demands it.” - Albert Einstein
Save the Date - March for Life

The annual *March for Life* in Washington, D.C. is fast approaching! Save the Date - **January 24th, 2020**! You are most welcome to join fellow parishioners on our same-day bus trip to march with hundreds of thousands of concerned citizens from across the nation on this pilgrimage for the sanctity of life. Look for more details in the bulletin in the coming weeks. We would love for you to join us in person and in prayer!

The Men of the Way of Light

Advent is a season of preparation that reminds us, by looking at Jesus’ first appearance, that He will appear again. Advent should call us to repent of our attitude of indifference and slothfulness regarding the Lord, and call us from inaction to action. The weeks of Advent provide an opportunity for us to prepare our hearts not only to celebrate the Lord’s incarnation but to allow the Lord to be re-birthed in our heart. This week’s Gospel reading provides insight as to how we can do that.

John the Baptist came ahead of Jesus’ public ministry proclaiming, “*prepare the way of the Lord.*” That preparation consisted of confession of their sins and presenting themselves for baptism by John as a sign of their repentance. Now as Catholics we have already been baptized, and confession is a normal part of our spirituality, so what is the meaning and application of this passage for us?

Perhaps the meaning and application can be better understood by way of contrast - looking at what it doesn’t mean. The Pharisees and Sadducees also presented themselves to John for baptism, and he rebuked them. So we know right off that it is not a matter of simply practicing some meaningless religious observance to make ourselves feel better. In no mistaken terms John pointed out that preparing the way of the Lord entailed an inner conversion of attitudes and mind-set. People went to John to be baptized because they recognized that their sinful attitudes governed their behavior. Also, they recognized that their behavior was abhorrent to the Lord. By repenting of these things,
they welcomed the Lord’s impending appearance and stood ready to receive Him and be received by Him.

So as Catholics, Advent preparation gives us the opportunity to prepare the way for the Lord by renewing and making present again our baptismal vows. Advent can enable you to step once again into your baptism and make the baptismal vows your personal statement of faith. Our participation in the Rite of Reconciliation leads us to the rejection of the root causes of sin in our life. Advent can be a time in which we once again renounce Satan and all of his works, making a clean break with sin. It can be a time when we renew and restate our love for Jesus and our intention to be His follower in attitude, mind-set, and behavior. This kind of Advent preparation opens wide the doors of our lives to receive Jesus afresh and to welcome Him back into the center of our everyday existence. It enables self to consciously step down from the position of self-rule, and surrender the throne of our life to the one person who can rule with righteousness, wisdom, and faithfulness! (Condensed from the Emmaus Journey Reflections)

Renew your commitment to your Baptismal vows! Join us at our next meeting on Saturday, December 21st, immediately following the 8:00 AM Mass. We meet in the Nazareth Room of the Holy Family Chapel. Bagels and coffee served. Our meetings run until 10:30 AM. For more information, visit our Facebook page.
Congratulations to all those recently Baptized at St. Barnabas.
Upcoming Important Dates

Our last classes before Christmas break are:

- Monday, December 9th
- Tuesday, December 10th
- Wednesday, December 11th

- No classes December 12th through January 2nd
  (Exception: CHosen - see calendar)

Classes resume for the New Year 2020:

- Monday, January 6th
- Tuesday, January 7th
- Wednesday, January 8th
- Thursday, January 9th

Important date change for 2nd Grade Students -
The date for Reconciliation has been changed to **Saturday, February 1, 2020.** You should have received a letter with updated information.

We are still in need of Adult Volunteers to be Hall Monitors and Substitute Catechists. Please call the office for more information - (516) 785-0130.

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**7th Grade Reminders:** Letter of Inspiration project due for 12/18-12/19

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**8th Grade Reminders:** Letter of Inspiration project, as well as Sponsor Designation forms for 12/11-12/12
If you wish to arrange a baptism, please contact the rectory at 785-0054. Once your request is received you will be invited to meet one of the priests. This meeting offers parents an opportunity to review the baptism ceremony and set the date. The meeting is more conversational than instructional. Forms need to be completed giving information on the parents, child’s date and place of birth, as well as the names and religious affiliation of the sponsors. At least one sponsor must be a practicing Catholic.

Baptisms are held on Saturday at 11:30 AM, and Sunday at 1:30 PM, when the Church is available. (See the list of dates below).

First time parents are required to attend a Baptism Class. Classes are held in the Holy Family Chapel on Agape Sunday, the second Sunday of the month. Crying babies and noisy children are welcome. We begin with Mass at 10:15 AM, when your baby will be welcomed to St. Barnabas, followed by refreshments and the class.

The 10:15 AM Mass & Class will be held on December 8th, and in 2020 - January 12th, February 9th, and March 8th.

Available Dates

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Come Join Us For a Joyful Start
To Your Christmas Season

Lessons and Carols

Sunday, Dec. 15, 2019    7:00 p.m.

Presented At
St. Barnabas R.C. Church
2320 Bedford Ave., Bellmore NY 11710

Featuring
The St. Barnabas Choir
William Dione, Music Director

Admission is Free

If you would like to bring a nonperishable food item for our pantry’s Christmas baskets, please leave it in the church lobby with our thanks!
ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS!

YOUTH GROUP

CHRISTMAS PARTY

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13TH at 6:30PM to 8:30PM
in Curé of Ars Rectory Lower Level
2323 Merrick Avenue Merrick, NY 11566
(Entrance is located in the back of the Rectory, by the Southeast parking lot.)

join us for

Faith! Friendship & Fun

Led by our Youth Minister: Seminarian
Steven McClernon

BRING A FRIEND!

WALK-INS WELCOME!

If possible, RSVP at smcclernon92@aol.com by 4pm, Saturday, December 13th.
CHRISTMAS CARD RAFFLE
2019-2020

Our SEAS Christmas Cards make great stocking stuffers for your teachers, coaches, instructors and friends. Each $10 purchase offers the recipient 31 opportunities to win cash prizes totaling $2,500.

1. Purchase a raffle card @ $10 per card.

2. An envelope will be sent to your home. Fill out the enclosed entry ballot with the recipient’s name/contact info and mail it to school no later than Monday, December 16th, 2019.

3. All names will be placed into a daily lottery, and from January 1st to the 31st one name will be pulled as the CASH prize winner.

4. It doesn’t end there!! Winners will be placed back into the lottery for more chances to win cash!

"WINNERS WILL BE ANNOUNCED Via Email"

To place your order, please fill out the form below with payment of cash or check (SEAS) to:
Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Regional School
2341 Washington Ave, Bellmore NY 11710

CALL THE MAIN OFFICE FOR DETAILS: 516-785-5709

Name __________________________________________
EmailAddress __________________________________
Phone _________________________________________
Mailing Address __________________________________
I would like to purchase _________ cards @ $10/card.
I am enclosing $ _________ for payment.
Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

Finish the faces in the picture.

What blessing did Paul pray for the Roman believers to receive from God?

Each row contains a 10-letter word and an extra letter that does not belong. Circle the extra letters and place them in the sentence.

GENTleness
FORTHRIGHT
BEELIEVABLE
FRIENDSHIP
OVERCOMING
GENEROSITY
JOYFULNESS
STRENGTHEN

"May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may ____ _______ _______ with hope."

John Prepares the Way

John the Baptist came to preach about Jesus.

(Circle) 6 differences in the bottom picture.

Children’s Worship Bulletin

Ages 3+  December 8, 2019  Matthew 3:1-12

Children’s Worship Bulletin

Ages 7+  December 8, 2019  Romans 13:4-13

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A Spirit Of Unity

Everything written in the past was written to teach us.

On the scroll, cross out every letter found in “fishy.” Write the remaining letters in the blanks.

F E Y N S D I
Y S U F R H A
N H F C E I S
E N I C S H O
I U R A F G E
M H E S N I T

God gives _______ _______ _______ _______
and _______ _______ _______ _______
through the Scriptures.