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1st Sunday of Advent

Catholic Centre
Broadcast

From the chapel at the Catholic Centre, welcome to join with the people now here in this celebration and worship for the first Sunday of the Advent season. For today begins a new year in the cycle of the Church's celebration of the mysteries of Christ and His salvation. These coming four weeks are a season of preparation for Christmas, the coming of Christ at Bethlehem long ago, today in our place and time, and in the future of our lives and our world. For those of you listening who are ill, at home or in hospital, may this broadcast as you join us help you in prayer and in welcoming the coming of Christ to you. For this beginning of Advent, the three scripture readings for today invite us to be prepared for the coming of the Lord --- *a plea* (the vision) of Isaiah in the O.T. *for the Lord to come and show Himself*; St Paul writing to the *Xmas of Corinth,* (Romans) *thanksgiving God for their gifts & gracing awaiting* that the time has come, salvation *the Lord's coming* is near, and we must live watchful lives; and from St Matthew's *Mark's* gospel (which is the one we'll be hearing most Sundays over the coming year), Our Lord's warning to be ready and waiting for His coming. But before we listen to the scriptures, Mass begins now with a short preparation service of repentance and prayer, as the priest and his assistants come to the altar.

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Intro.: Kyrie: ORATIO

The Assembly Prayer for this first Sunday of the Advent season. Now come the readings of scripture.

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After the scriptures and the homily given by the celebrant of this Mass, Fr *Anthony Farren* Alfred Deignan, the Creed is recited, a profession of faith in God