

HOPE



W/C Sunday 3rd December

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Before we pray we make the
Sign of the Cross.

This is a reminder of Christ's
sacrifice for all of us.

A reminder that he suffered and
died to free us from sin.



Pray together.

In the name of the Father
And of the Son
And of the Holy Spirit,

Amen

Our theme this week is Hope. This week is the first week of Advent. This is a time to prepare. A time for use to focus on the Hope provided by the arrival of Christ in our world. Our duty to prepare means that we need to live out or Mission as Christ would have us live. Staying true to our values with the hope that these will equip us to make a difference in our world.

At Saint Monica's we are a Catholic family, diverse and different, supporting each other in all we do through prayer and service.

We seek to live out the gospel values of justice, forgiveness and Peace recognising the potential of each person in our community.

As members of Saint Monica's, we are challenged to develop our God given talents to the full, so we are **prepared to make a difference in our world.**



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Come Lord, your wounded world is yearning for you to come again.
Come Lord, your weary world is crying out for you to lift us up out of our despair, our hunger, our thirst for something better, our need for the food that will last.
Come Lord, come again, we need to begin again.

Amen

Mark 13: 33-37 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come.'



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In this season of Advent, help us to prepare for the coming of the Lord.

Inspire us to be people of hope.

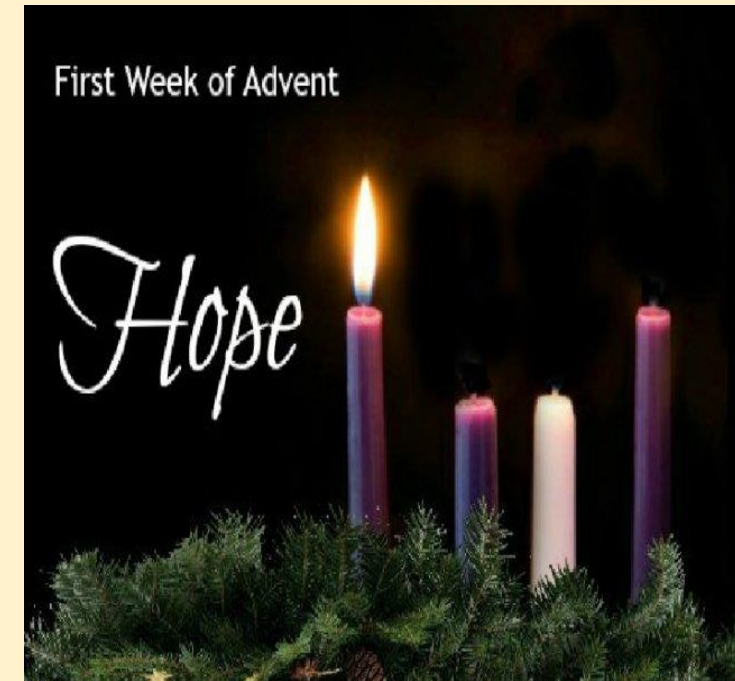
Encourage us not to be greedy for material possessions, but for justice and truth.

Enflame us with a love for others, which crosses boundaries of race, religion and nationality.

Stir within us a desire to fight for the integrity of creation and appreciate the immense beauty of the earth.

Be with us, Lord, at this time, that we may be a people of hope.

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Today's
ADVENT
Prayer



Loving God, light in me a
desire to prepare for
your coming, to stand in
the darkness, waiting,
eager and filled with joy!



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Today we focus on the message of Hope in this first week of Advent



Loving God,
"Loving God, as we begin the season of Advent and light our candle of hope, we ask for your presence to fill our hearts and homes. May the hope of Christ's coming bring light to our darkness and renew our spirits. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen."
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On this feast day of the Immaculate Conception, we are reminded of how Mary is chosen from the very beginning of her existence for her important role as the Mother of Christ.

Even though it must have been a daunting and completely unexpected turn of events, we also hear Mary's emphatic "yes" to all that is asked of her.

God knows us and loves us. God has a plan for us. But it is up to us to listen to God calling in our lives, and just like Mary to say "yes" to what is asked of us.



HAIL, MARY,
FULL OF GRACE,
THE LORD IS WITH THEE;
BLESSED ART THOU
AMONG WOMEN,
AND BLESSED IS THE FRUIT
OF THY WOMB JESUS.

HOLY MARY,
MOTHER OF GOD,
PRAY FOR US SINNERS,
NOW AND AT THE
HOUR OF OUR DEATH.
AMEN.

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