

## Gospel for Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November, 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus said to his disciples:

“Strange things will happen to the sun, moon, and stars.

The nations on earth will be afraid of the roaring sea and tides,  
and they won't know what to do.

People will be so frightened that they will faint  
because of what is happening to the world.

Every power in the sky will be shaken.

“Then the Son of Man will be seen,  
coming in a cloud with great power and glory.

When all of this starts happening,  
stand up straight and be brave.

You will soon be set free.

“Don't spend all of your time thinking about eating  
or drinking or worrying about life.

If you do, the final day will suddenly catch you like a trap.

That day will surprise everyone on earth.

“Watch out and keep praying that you can escape all that is going to happen  
and that the Son of Man will be pleased with you.”

**The Gospel of the Lord.**



For you to think about: This is the First Sunday of Advent, the season of preparation for the great feast of Christmas. The theme of the readings for the first half of Advent are always about 'end times' when we Christians believe that Jesus will reappear on earth. The Gospel today sounds a bit scary but I think the main message is probably in the last line...we should live the best lives we can so that the Son of Man (Jesus) will be pleased with us! What could you do during Advent that would make Jesus happy?