



Scripture

Old Testament: "Love virtue, you who are judges on earth, let honesty prompt your thinking about the Lord, seek him in simplicity of heart; since he is to be found by those who do not put him to the test, he shows himself to those who do not distrust him." Wisdom 1:1-2 from the Breviary.

New Testament: "My brothers, fill your minds with those things that are good and deserve praise: things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely and honourable. And the God who gives us peace will be with you." Philippians 4:8,9b from the Breviary.

Catechism

"Jesus came in order to show God's love. He often did this in places where we feel especially threatened: in the weakening of life through sickness. God wants us to become well in body and soul and, therefore, to believe and to acknowledge the coming of God's kingdom." YOUCAT #241

Comment

According to the NHS, about one in two people will get one form or other of cancer in their lives. This affects the elderly, the young, the healthy and those who may have other medical conditions with which to contend. We are fortunate that, in this country, we have the facilities and the support structure available to provide for those suffering with cancer.

Organisation of the month

The Royal Marsden is a hospital with sites in Chelsea and Sutton, specialising in the treatment of Cancer. If you have been affected by Cancer, you may wish to visit www.royalmarsden.org for more information about the work of this famous hospital and its charitable arm which seeks funds to diagnose and treat more people, earlier.

Pray, Think, Act

Pray: that God the Father of all mercies may, in the name of Jesus Christ His Son and the power of the Holy Spirit, equip you and encourage you, with Mary Help of Christians and all the saints, to be a sign and witness to God's love through your good works.

Think: Have you been affected personally by cancer. Perhaps you have had a family member, relative, friend or colleague affected by cancer?

Act: Visit www.royalmarsden.org for more information about how you can donate.

*"Do as much as you can. God will do what we ourselves cannot do."
St John Bosco, Letter to Cagliero, November 13, 1875*