

Prayer Guide for the week for 16 to 22 October

“Prayer is not asking. Prayer is putting oneself in the hands of God, at His disposition, and listening to His voice in the depth of our hearts.”

(Mother Theresa)

October is breast cancer month in which we remember those women (and men) who have been stricken with breast cancer. It is also a time to remember all cancer sufferers.

The medical researchers and doctors have made tremendous strides in the treatment of the disease, to the extent that far more people are being cured or are in remission. Despite that, cancer remains a deadly disease. Cancer is a leading cause of death worldwide, accounting for nearly 10 million deaths in 2020. Of this, breast cancer accounted for 2,26 million deaths. Regarding men, prostate cancer accounted for 1,41 million deaths.

According to CANSA, “between 30 and 50% of cancers can currently be prevented by avoiding risk factors and implementing existing prevention strategies. The cancer burden can also be reduced through early detection of cancer and appropriate treatment and care of patients who develop cancer. Many cancers have a high chance of cure if diagnosed early and treated appropriately. ”

This week, please pray:

- † For ladies with breast cancer, for successful outcome of their treatment.
- † For those who required surgery and radiology treatment; for their psychological wellbeing.
- † For successful treatment for men with prostate cancer.
- † For all cancer sufferers, especially children.
- † For the families of cancer patients, as they watch their loved ones suffer through treatment.
- † For the oncologists, nursing staff and other medics treating the patients.
- † For hospices such as St Luke's, caring for patients and supporting their families.
- † For the cancer researchers, seeking breakthroughs in the treatment and cure for this dread disease.

“MUCH, MUCH MORE in 2024”