

Scripture

Old Testament: "As the rain and the snow come down from the heavens and do not return without watering the earth, making it yield and giving growth to provide seed for the sower and bread for the eating, so the word that goes from my mouth does not return to me empty, without carrying out my will and succeeding in what it was sent to do." Isaiah 55:10-11 from the Breviary

New Testament: "What we are waiting for is what he promised: the new heavens and new earth, the place where righteousness will be at home." 2 Peter 3:13 from the Breviary.

Catechism

"One acts justly by always making sure to give to God and to one's neighbour what is due to them." YOUCAT# 302

Comment

As the leaves fall and Autumn moves gradually into Winter, consider those people who have no home of their own and for whom living on the streets is the option of last resort. The homeless are vulnerable, especially those with mental health issues and the young.

Organisation of the month

Centrepoint is a charity, traditionally under royal patronage, that aims to tackle the effects of youth homelessness whilst bringing safety, shelter and education to young people who have no other place to call home. Visit www.centrepoint.org.uk for more information.

Pray, Think, Act

Pray: that God the Father, in the name of Jesus Christ His Son may inspire you by the power of the Holy Spirit with a spirit of wisdom and compassion for the vulnerable;

Think: about your reaction if a young person whom you knew was discovered living on the streets. What would your first thought be? Your first emotion? Your first action?

Act: Visit www.centrepoint.org.uk for more information about how you can help, by donations, sponsoring a room etc.

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