

ARRANGEMENTS FOR GLOBAL DAY

Saturday 25th November 2023

As we prepare for the joy of Christmas, Global Day allows us a time of reflection for families suffering various forms of violence and oppression.

This year we are continuing to build on our No more 1 in 3 campaign. This highlights the fact that 1 in 3 women around the world will suffer some form of abuse during their lifetime. We join with MU members across the world who will be holding events to show that such abuse is unacceptable.

We join with other agencies who are concerned about all forms of violence in families, including Human trafficking and Modern Day slavery.

We will hold a brief service / reflection in St John's church Peterborough at 12 noon

Practical plans

We have made our plans in consultation with safeguarding colleagues in the Diocese, senior church staff, other agencies.

We plan to meet in Car Haven car park adjacent to the cathedral (Bishop's Road PE1 1YX) at 10.45 a.m. It will be a busy time for Christmas shopping, but other car parks are available nearby. We will gather near the exit, and space next to the toilets.

From about 11 am we will walk carefully along the pavement to Bridge Street, the busy, wide shopping street heading towards the Cathedral.

We will have some MU publicity, purple scarves and "no more 3 in 1 badges", and purple ribbons. We and other agencies will hand out publicity materials or be prepared to share information about our concerns. This is a peaceful, awareness sharing event.

We turn left opposite the Cathedral to St John's church. Others may wish to join us at the church. On arrival at the church we will briefly stand outside to raise awareness with passers-by. St John's has an open coffee morning which we will be able to support for church funds and their chosen charities. At 12 noon a brief service/reflection will be led by Revd Michelle Dalliston. This will include the observation of 2minutes silence in solidarity with others worldwide. All are welcome.

At the end we will not process back. People may wish to stop for a coffee, drink, light lunch or to do their shopping.