

Sunday 27 November Against gender violence

Each year, 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence unites individuals and organizations to raise awareness of, and call for an end to, all forms of violence against women and girls. Mothers' Union believes in particular that prevention needs to focus on teaching children and adults about loving and respectful relationships; that there are laws against all forms of violence and abuse and the means to enforce them; that those experiencing violence are supported, and that perpetrators are brought to justice and rehabilitated.



Next Saturday (3 December) there will be a service in the cathedral when MU members will come together with others to pray and draw alongside those affected by gender violence.

Lord, we pray that you will strengthen and support those who are still victims of abuse, who may be feeling alone, frightened and friendless. May they know your love and feel your presence in their time of adversity.

MON 28

We ask your prayers for all in the legal profession, as they work to make God's justice a reality. We pray for all who work in our local courts. We pray for those summoned for jury service.

TUE 29

We pray for those who are receiving care from a hospice, particularly remembering those in the Marie Curie Hospice Solihull, St Mary's, John Taylor and Acorns. We pray for those who offer the reassurance of round-the-clock, expert care and support, in a friendly, and welcoming environment.

WED 30

Andrew the Apostle

Please pray for new opportunities for St John, Walmsley to work with schools in the lead up to Christmas, especially as schools are busily preparing their own Christmas activities. Please pray for inspiration and creativity to share the Christmas story in a new way with the children, staff and parents.

THU 1

We pray for the environment at the start of the month, giving thanks for the Paris Climate Agreement a year ago. We pray that nations will deliver on their Nationally Determined Contributions, and that they promise better contributions limiting temperature rises to 1.5oC. We pray that all peoples may share this objective.

FRI 2

Please pray for the Growing Younger team who are based at 1 Colmore Row. Pray for wisdom as they discern God's priorities for their workloads and as they seek to extend the breadth and depth of the Growing Younger programme across the diocese.

SAT 3

Please pray for all working in retail in the run up towards Christmas, who may have to work long hours and have little time for their own families. Pray for staff and retailers concerned about taking enough money to survive for another year. Give thanks for voluntary retail chaplains who visit the shops.

Anglican Communion

Sunday 27 November: Kansas - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Dean Wolfe

Monday 28 November: Kanyakumari - (South India) The Rt Revd Gnanasigamony Devakadasham

Tuesday 29 November: Western Kansas - (VIII, The Episcopal Church) The Rt Revd Michael Milliken

Wednesday 30 Nov: Karachi - (Pakistan) The Rt Revd Sadiq Daniel

Thursday 1 Dec: Karamoja - (Uganda) The Rt Revd Joseph Abura

Friday 2 Dec: Karimnagar - (South India) The Rt Revd Reuben Mark

Saturday 3 December: Karnataka Central - (South India) The Rt Revd Prasana Kumar Samuel