16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence Prayer for each day

Prepare your Prayer Space – Pray alone or gather with others each day.... You might like to place some photos of women and children and leave this space set up for the sixteen days...you may want to start with by lighting a candle and add a tee light each day as you pray. Maybe begin each day in silence as you call to mind the faces of women and children who suffer trauma and horror because of gender violence.



25 November - 10 December

November 25: God of compassion we stop and remember today women who are victims of of domestic violence, battered wives and marital rape.

God of all, we stand in solidarity with the suffering of this world. Nourish our desire and action as we live and work to bring about a time of peace, when violence is banished, when both women and men are able to love and to be loved and when the work and wealth of our world is justly shared. We look forward to this future in faith and hope. Amen.

November 26: God of justice, we stop and remember today victims and survivors of rape, incest, and those sexually abused and harassed.

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November 27: God of life, we stop and remember today the victims of female infanticide, selective abortions and female genital mutilation.

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November 28: God of the innocent, we stop and remember today all children who have been maltreated and sexually abused.

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November 29: God of truth, we stop and remember today victims and survivors of sex trafficking and prostitution.

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November 30: God of justice, we stop and remember today women victims of unfair labour practice.

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December 1: God of the innocent, we stop and remember today the victims and survivors of AIDS

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December 2: God of peace, we stop and remember the victims of war and militarism, especially child soldiers and comfort women

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December 3: God of the universe, we stop and remember today the victims of media and Cyberspace violence

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December 4: God of creativity, we stop and remember today women migrant workers

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December 5: God of trust, we stop and remember today women victims of sexual abuses in the church

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December 6: God of endless mercy, we stop and remember today women victims of Violence and injustices from the rural areas

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December 7: God of difference, we stop and remember today women from cultural minorities who suffer violence and injustice

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December 8: God of abundance, se stop and remember today women/and children who suffer acute poverty and displacement

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December 9: God of inclusivity, we stop and remember today all victims of gender violence particularly violence against lesbians and gay people

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December 10: God of life, we stop and remember today women on death row, those detained and those victims of Human Rights Violations

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