

We observe

THURSDAYS IN BLACK

**Towards a world
without rape and violence**

**3 December
A Prayer for Perpetrators**

Holy and loving God,

By your love and mercy transform the perpetrators of violence against women,

Grant them eyes of compassion to see the suffering of their victims,
ears of obedience to hear your calls to act with justice and mercy,
And a penitent heart willing to change.

As they pursue change, may they have the courage to seek appropriate support and counsel,
And may they receive the assistance they need,

Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

The National Council of Churches in Australia is observing the UN 16 Days of Action against Gender Based Violence. The campaign has been run every year since 1991 from 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, to 10 December, Human Rights Day. Each day of the campaign, you are encouraged to pray. These daily prayers are supplied by the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne. NCCA is a proud supporter of the Thursdays in Black Campaign. To learn more about the campaign visit the NCCA website to learn more: ncca.org.au.



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