

**“REMEMBER THE VICTIMS”**  
**SILENT VIGIL at NIGERIAN EMBASSY, DUBLIN**  
**THURSDAY 29 JULY 1pm – 1.30pm**

**Over  
2,000  
Christians  
killed**

## **INFORMATION FOR PARTICIPANTS**

**Why is the vigil being held?** The vigil is being held to publicly remember over 2,000 Nigerian Christians who have been murdered in the past two years in the Middle Belt region of Nigeria. They have been killed by Islamic Fulani militants in a targeted campaign of violence which many observers are describing as “genocide”.

**What is the purpose of the vigil?** To draw public attention to the victims of the militant attacks. The vigil will be photographed and videographed and the resulting photos and video will be shared on our website and on social media. Irish media organisations will be invited to attend the event.

**Where is the vigil being held?** Outside the Nigerian Embassy, 56 Leeson Park, Ranelagh, Dublin 6 (close to junction with Appian Way). If travelling by car, leave plenty of time to find parking (paid) in local roads. Public Transport options: Luas (Green Line) – nearest stop Ranelagh; Buses 11, 18 (Appian Way), 44 and 61 (Ranelagh) or 46A, 145, 155 (Upper Leeson Street).

**Is the vigil permitted under Covid-19 regulations?** Organised outdoor events are permitted under current public health measures.

**What should participants bring?** All attendees are advised to bring face covering for use in any crowded situations. All attendees are reminded to observe social distancing.

**What will happen at the vigil?** In the light of the Covid-19 Public Health Emergency, the event is being organised as a silent vigil which means there will be no music, singing or chanting by participants. The programme will be predominantly silent and spoken words from organisers will be limited to minimal instructions and explanations.

Participants will be directed to queue (socially distanced) to collect a placard and, at a given signal, to hold the placard outside the Nigerian Embassy. Church in Chains will attempt to hand deliver a letter to the Embassy calling on the Nigerian government to take effective action to protect the Christian community in the Middle Belt region and to bring the perpetrators of the violence to justice. The Nigerian Embassy has not engaged with Church in Chains' request (in three letters dating back to November 2020) for a meeting to discuss the situation.

**What Covid-19 Protocols will be in place?** Stewards handling equipment (such as placards) will wear gloves. Collection of placards and positioning of attendees will be directed clearly by stewards to ensure that social distancing is strictly observed.

**Any questions?** Telephone 01 - 282 5393



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