

MODERN DAY SLAVERY CONFERENCE

SATURDAY 16 JUNE 2018, 10:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Christ Church Fairfield Road Beckenham, BR3 3LE

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Guest speakers include:

- The Gangmasters & Labour Abuse Authority (GLAA)
- The Clewer Initiative's Caroline Virgo will give a national perspective on how dioceses across England are responding
- Police Inspector Gary Byfield, Bromley Borough Operation Command Unit, Metropolitan Police
- Lara Bundock from the Snowdrop Project will share about her work supporting survivors of modern slavery
- Mark Bailey, Strategic Partnerships Director of Hope for Justice will give an insight into how they are responding
- Bishop Alastair Redfern, the Bishop of Derby, has campaigned in the House of Lords and in his own diocese to raise awareness of modern slavery and improve support for the survivors

William Wilberforce convinced his generation that slavery was a sin which led to abolition in the 19th Century. In the 21st Century that mindset hasn't changed, and yet cases of modern-day slavery are on the rise in Britain. 45.8 million people are estimated to be trapped in some form of modern slavery in the world today: more than 13,000 victims in the UK.

Modern slavery is an umbrella term for all forms of slavery, trafficking and exploitation. At the core of this crime is deception, oppression and fear: the threat of violence to the victims or their families hangs over them and traps the slaves in their situation: it's an appalling crime against humanity. We believe that the tools to end modern slavery already exist within the local community and that the Church, which is present in all communities and at the heart of many, has a primary responsibility in leading these efforts.

This Modern Slavery Conference is an important date for your diary to hear from leading practitioners in the field and understand how together we can help end Modern Slavery... Setting the Captives Free: Word in Action.

This free conference is open to everyone: **BOOK NOW:**
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