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'I Still Check Martin's Bedroom Every Day'

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"It actually given us more strength to try and get Martin home," she said.

"Every night we leave the light on for Martin in case he actually did come home, and every morning I check his bedroom in case he has come in in the middle of the night. "I know I have Martin sitting at my shoulder saying: 'Mum, you have the strength to do this. Please bring me home.'"

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People taking part in the event came from across the Holywood community, in particular the Rudolf Steiner school where Martin was a student.

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A friend since their first day in class, Joe McCormick, deferred exams at Sheffield University to come home and help in the campaign.

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"I've been a friend of Martin's since I was four years old. I know this is completely out of character for him, it is completely perplexing," he said.

"Martin isn't the sort of person who walks out of a bar and doesn't tell people where he's going. He just

wouldn't disappear like this."

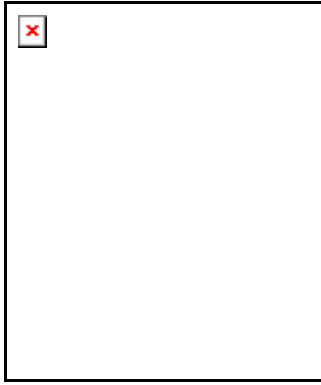
Also taking part were John, Joanne and Michelle Dorrian, father and sisters of missing Bangor woman Lisa.

It is almost a year since the 25-yearold went missing near Ballywalter, Co Down.

Revealing that the two families met on Friday, Mr Dorrian said they understood the suffering of the Kelly family.

"They had been thinking about us before Christmas and then it's happened to them," he said.

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