

FLINDERS NAVAL DEPOT

Star of the Sea Naval Memorial Chapel

Requiem Mass will be offered on the anniversary day for those who lost their lives in H.M.A.S. Patricia Cam, which was sunk by Japanese aircraft off Wessel Island, Northern Territory, on January 22, 1943.

Mass was offered in the memorial chapel for the repose of the souls of those who were lost in H.M.A.S. Arunta on January 1, 1945, and H.M.A.S. Australia on January 5, 1945. These ships were attacked by Japanese suicide planes in the Northern Philippines.

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The hanging lights in the chapel are valued at £12 each. Several have not yet been donated. Names of donors of these lights will be inscribed on a commemorative plate inside the chapel. All the inscriptions recording donors of the various windows and other articles and the ships specially commemorated thereby have been completed and are now in position.

Civilians wishing to visit the Depot for Sunday Mass (8.30) and to see the chapel at any other time during the day will always be welcome.

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Although the chapel is completed and in use to the great benefit of the men of the Navy, the paying-off has not yet been completed. The chaplain at the Depot reports that he and his many helpers are on the "last lap" of the appeal, but that the last lap is always the hardest. He would be very pleased to hear from anyone willing to help over this final difficult stage. Help may be given by contributing to the newly-opened "Final Five Pound Fund" and/or attending the concert to be held in the Cathedral Hall, Brunswick-street, Fitzroy, on Sunday afternoon (3 p.m.) on January 30. Tickets are 2/6 (children half price). The programme, arranged by Mr. Duncan Conroy includes leading radio and stage artists.

Final Five Pound Fund—£5 received from, following: Mr. J. Ryan, Melbourne; Mr. H. Anderson, Melbourne; Mr. L. Bonnett, Rabaul, N.G.