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Forthcoming Anniversaries

- 2 August 1950: 77 Squadron RAAF completes 800 sorties in Korea
- 3 August 1860: Second Maori War begins.
- 4 August 1900: Boers attack Elands River post
- 4 August 1914: Britain declares war on Germany
- 5 August 1914: The German ship SS Pfalz seized in Port Phillip Bay, the first enemy vessel to be captured
- 5 August 1945: Japanese POWs break out of Cowra Prison Camp
- 6 August 1914: Britain requests that Australia secure German New Guinea
- 6 August 1915: Battle for Lone Pine begins
- 6 August 1945: Enola Gay drops an atom bomb on Hiroshima
- 6 August 1950: HMAS Warramunga leaves for Korea
- 7 August 1915: Allies land at Suvla Bay. Simultaneous attacks on the Nek, Steele's, Quinn's & Pope's Post, Gallipoli
- 8 August 1900: NSW & Victorian contingents depart for Boxer War

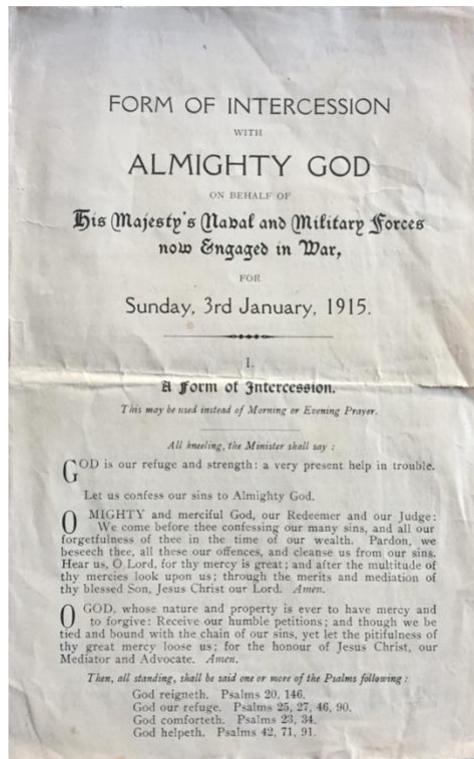
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Military Forms of Service



This 1915 Form of Intercession set out the content and form of the prayers for the Church of England early in 1915. Once again, it was a product of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, or perhaps their attentive staff. A flimsy 4-page affair, few are likely to have survived. It is probable that these forms were issued weekly. An Australian printing, used at St Pauls' Melbourne, survives in the National Library with different typesetting.

At a distance, they project somewhat of an air of unreality. You might note the guidance "Then, all standing, there shall be said one of the following Psalms ..." Let us earnestly hope that cover from

enemy fire was taken when it was available!

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Defence

Australia is well positioned for space launches: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

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Australia can learn from Biden's domestic terrorism strategy: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Australia needs a broad and clear national security strategy: [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

Navy

HMAS Sydney completed combat system trials: [\(M\)NavalNews](#)

Army

Urban compound clearance by Battle Group Eagle - Talisman Sabre 2021: [\(F\)Defence](#)
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Air Force

Transforming a bare base into RAAF Base Scherger - Talisman Sabre 2021: [\(F\)Defence](#)

Pacific

Undersea cables bring Pacific nations online, but there are concerns China is trying to tap in: [\(M\)AbcNews](#)

New Zealand

NZ moves ahead with light vehicle replacement: [\(M\)ADM](#)
 New Zealand reassesses defence investment priorities: [\(M\)Janes](#)

Indonesia

US and Indonesia to hold largest island defense drills: [\(M\)Nikkei](#)
 Indonesia negotiates acquisition of Ukrainian RK-360MC Neptune coastal missile defense system: [\(M\)NavyRecognition](#)

Samoa

Samoa's new leader confirms scrapping of China-funded port: [\(M\)Reuters](#)

Military History

Was Lord Kitchener gay? [\(M\)WesternFrontAssociation](#)

Russia

Russia's new Checkmate fighter jet unveiled at defense expo: [\(M\)DefenseNews](#)

China

China threatens Australia with missile attack (Paul Dibb): [\(M\)AspiStrategist](#)

UK

UK says it has no plans for South China Sea confrontation after Beijing warning: [\(N\)TheGuardian](#)

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