Stained Glass Window at Mildura St. Margaret's Anglican Church



Mildura St Margarets Anglican Church Hardingham memorial

Location

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Corner Deakin Avenue and Eleventh Street, Mildura, MILDURA RURAL CITY

Municipality

MILDURA RURAL CITY

Level of significance

Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

Heritage Study/Consultant	Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;
Architect/Designer	Ferguson, John,
Hermes Number	196946
Property Number	

Memorial Window References & amp; Acknowledgements

AWM First World War Embarkation Roll; NAA: B2455, Hardingham J; NAA: B883, SX9197.

Memorial Window Subject

Symbolic: Service and Sacrifice

Memorial Window Text

n/a

Memorial Window Inscription

[Plaque] A.M.D.G. In memory of James Hardingham Priest obit. February 20 1962

Memorial Window Description & amp; History

St. Margaret's Anglican Church, Mildura was built in several programs and memorial windows also installed in at least two separate cycles. When the stone church was enlarged to plans by Melbourne Anglican Diocesan architect Louis R. Williams in the 1930s, Canon Horner arranged in 1933 for Brooks, Robinson & Co. to prepare designs for east window of the sanctuary. Several more windows were installed during 1959 by Archdeacon Hardingham, the last being the *Crucifixion* in 1960. The Warrior's Chapel was added around the early 1960s and the remains of Archdeacon James Hardingham were interred under its floor in 1962.

Melbourne stained glass artist John Ferguson (1923-2010) prepared a series of windows that symbolised service and sacrifice, in keeping with the object of the sacred space.

James Hardingham was an 18 year-old student in Melbourne when he enlisted on 30 November 1914. He went to Gallipoli with 7 Battalion where he was wounded with a gun shot wound to his right calf and evacuated to Malta and then later to Egypt. He returned to Gallipoli but was soon suffering deafness and dysentry which ultimately caused his return to Australia and a long convascence before discharge on 20 March 1916. As Reverend Hardingham, he took appointments as far afield as Beaudesert (1926), Port Pirie (1926-1932), Adelaide ((1933-1940) and became Archdeacon at Hay from 1940. His son Malcolm Pritchard Hardingham, with 8 Division Ammunition Sub Park AASC in the Second World War, died of illness in Thailand on 20 December 1943. His father installed an aumbrey light in the sanctuary of St. Margaret's in his memory.

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