



2025 Anzac Eve Peace Vigil

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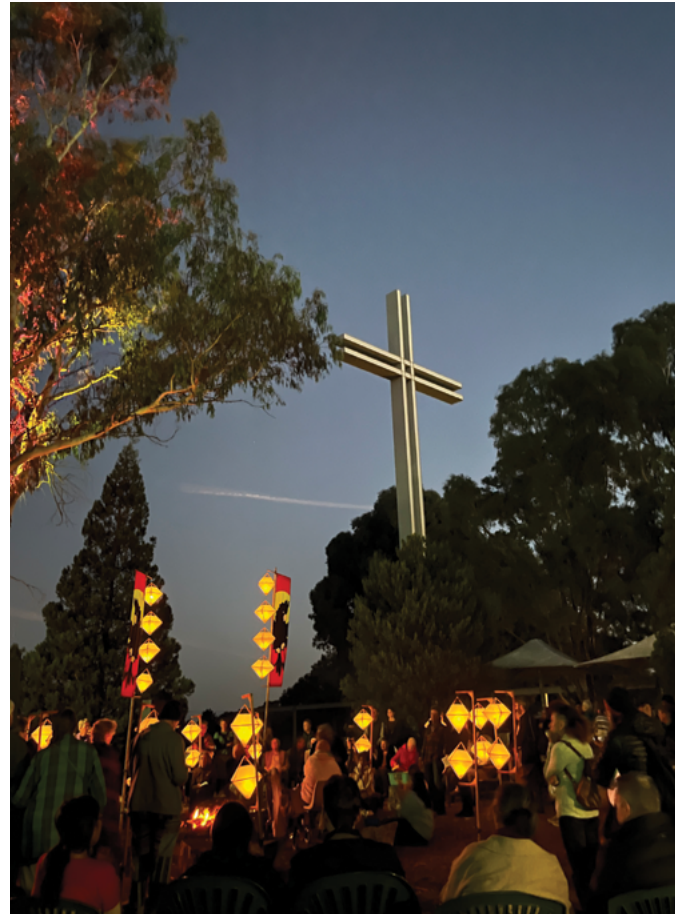
This year, on the eve of Anzac Day, A Chorus of Women and Wayfarers were joined by many friends in the Canberra community for a beautiful candle-lit vigil in its new venue in the grounds of the Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture. The Vigil has been held every year since 2011 on top of Mount Ainslie, except for in 2020 - when Covid struck, the women imaginatively took it online, where they were joined by people from around the world as well as Canberra.

From the first Vigil 15 years ago, the ceremony has attracted many people giving expression to their longing for peace and lamenting together the tragedy of war. We seek to remember all the victims of war and violence and to respectfully re-imagine our commemoration of Australia's war history. The Vigil generates a peaceful, warm, friendly atmosphere as dusk falls and the lanterns brighten.

Since 2018, the Vigil has been included in the ACT Heritage Festival program and has become an integral part of the Canberra events calendar.

You can watch the online vigil on A Chorus of Women's website:

www.chorusofwomen.org/Anzac-Eve-Peace-Vigil-2020



Ceremony continues, photo by Sarah Stitt



Ceremony begins, photo by Sarah Stitt



Dusk sets in, photo by Sarah Stitt



A Chorus of Women and Wayfarers, photo by Sarah Stitt