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# Stained Glass Window at Albert Park [formerly Middle Park] St. Silas' and St. Anselm's Anglican Church

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## Location

99 Bridport Street, Albert Park [formerly at Middle Park], PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Municipality

PORT PHILLIP CITY

## Level of significance

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## Heritage Listing

Vic. War Heritage Inventory

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Heritage Study/Consultant	Vic War Heritage Inventory - Stained Glass Memorial Windows Study, Bronwyn Hughes, 2013;
Architect/Designer	Brooks, Robinson & Co,
Hermes Number	197000
Property Number	

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## Memorial Window References & Acknowledgements

*Argus*, 10 February 1923, p.11 and p.18; 12 February 1923, p.7; *Church of England Messenger*, 2 September 1922, p.464; 26 October 1922, p.530; *Register*, 10 August 1918, p.8; 27 August 1918, p.6; 2 December 1919, p.7; *Sydney Morning Herald*, 23 April 1920, p.7; [www.saintsilas.org.uk/section/150](http://www.saintsilas.org.uk/section/150).

## Memorial Window Subject

The Ascension

## **Memorial Window Text**

n/a

## **Memorial Window Inscription**

In loving memory of Cedric Ernest Howell DSO MC DFC Captain RAF Killed near Corfu when flying to Australia December 1919 aged 22 years. A member of this church.

## **Memorial Window Description & History**

In September 1922, the Archbishop of Melbourne granted a Faculty for two new stained glass windows to be placed in St. Anselm's. The first, a window in memory of Dean Godby was unveiled soon after, with the expectation that the Howell memorial would be installed 'before Christmas'. General Sir Harry Chauvel unveiled the memorial window to Captain Cedric Howell, MC, DSO, DFC on 11 February 1923 at a service conducted by St. Anselm's vicar, the Reverend CC Macmichael in the presence of men from the Royal Australian Air Force. When St. Anselm's Church closed in the 2001, the window was removed and re-installed in St. Silas' Anglican Church, Albert Park. It is now set somewhat unsympathetically in an unpainted 'modern' leaded glass window.

Captain Cedric Ernest Howell joined the AIF where he gave distinguished service, initially in Egypt as a private, then in France as a sniper with 46 Battalion and later in Italy. Selected for the Royal Flying Corps, he trained at Durham and Oxford as a pilot; he was awarded the Distinguished Service Order, Military Cross, Distinguished Flying Cross, and was three times mentioned in dispatches; he also received Italian decorations. After the Armistice, Captain Howell was in charge of Nether Wollop aerodrome in Hampshire before preparing to fly back to Australia in a new Martinsyde A1 aeroplane. He was drowned in the Mediterranean Sea near Corfu en route to Melbourne. He was buried with full military honours in Warringal Cemetery, Heidelberg on 23 April 1920.

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