

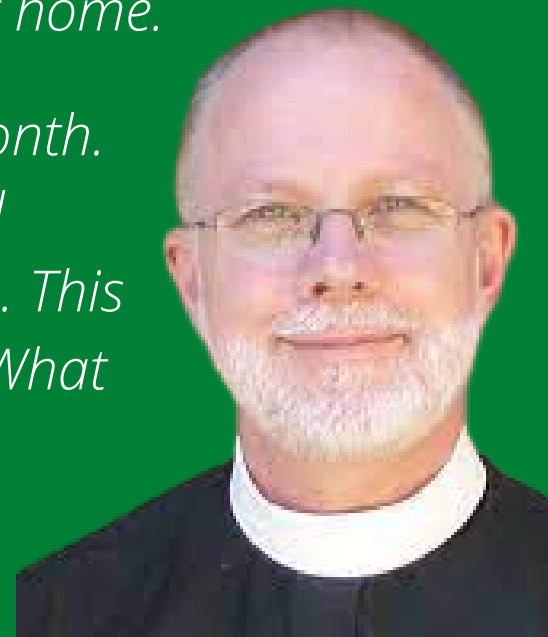
THE PEOPLE'S INQUIRY: EXPLORING THE CASE FOR AN INDEPENDENT AND PEACEFUL AUSTRALIA



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One of the strategies that Australian governments have deployed is to join early conflicts in which the U.S. is involved. I suspect that in part that this is driven by the idea that a war fought away from home has little effect at home. I am interested to see what this enquiry will reveal about the effects that such involvement has had at home.

In June we observed PTSD awareness month. We know that the incidence of PTSD and suicide in returned service people is high. This creates ripple of trauma in our society. What other effects need to be named?



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