

Media Statement – 16th April 2024

Expressing Solidarity and Compassion: Condemnation of the Attack on Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel

With sadness, the Australian Muslim Community condemn the heinous crime on Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel during his mass at Christ The Good Shepherd Church in Wakeley, Sydney.

Such acts of violence are not only deeply distressing but also utterly incompatible with the values of compassion and unity that we hold dear as a nation, especially when they occur within sacred spaces and target religious leaders.

We pray for the swift and complete recovery of Bishop Emmanuel and all other victims.

In the wake of this tragic incident, we implore the community to embrace compassion, understanding, and solidarity. Let us unite in our resolve to ensure the safety and security of all Australians, regardless of faith or background.

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