

*Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bidd'st the mighty ocean deep Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea! O Trinity of love and power!*
(Hymn William Whiting Together in Song # 138)

Eternal God, creator of the heavens and ruler of the raging seas,
take under your powerful protection and bless all the ships and members of
the Royal Australian Navy.

Preserve them from the dangers of the sea and strengthen them so that we
may faithfully serve our Sovereign King Charles III
and the people of the Commonwealth of Australia.

With the help of others who love freedom may we be able to ensure security
for all those who lawfully travel the seven seas,
and by our effort maintain for all people
the possibility of serving you in peace and justice all through their lives.

Today we remember the people who served in the Royal Australian Navy in
times of war and the merchant Navy who maintained supply routes and risked
their lives to carry goods across the oceans.

We pray for those who are serving today in Navy appointments and those who
day by day are carrying the burdens of their service.

We seek your blessing on them and their family members.