The Forget Me Not (Անմոռուկ) flower is the symbol of the Centennial of the Armenian Genocide.
It represents the tragic sufferings of 1915 and the horrific aftermath of the Genocide; unity of the Armenian people in Armenia as well the Diaspora; and most importantly, hope.

The Forget Me Not flower may also be looked at from a different perspective: as Armenian Christians, we strived to not forget the martyrs of the Genocide; today, we ask them, our saints, to intercede, pray for us, and to “Forget Us Not.”

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The Holy Martyrs of the Armenian Genocide died for their faith in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

For the first time in over 500 years, the Armenian Church canonized saints and recognized the martyrs on April 23, 2015 in honor of the Centennial of the Armenian Genocide.

We have commemorated the Genocide for a century now. It is time to celebrate our survival, but most importantly, the lives and deaths of our saints.

With that said we will no longer have requiem services for them, instead a feast day would be dedicated to them, during which we ask of the martyrs to pray for us.

The Church (the Body of Christ), God’s community, collectively recognizes and canonizes people as saints and honors them. But it is important to note that Holiness only comes from God.

Due to the fact that the martyrs were massacred anonymously, the Church perceives this event as a collective martyrdom rather than specific individual martyrdom, where each saint has his/her own feast day. In the future, there is the possibility that the martyrs may be individually canonized within the Church.

Henceforth, the men, women and children who were massacred in the name of Christ during the Armenian Genocide are saints of the Armenian Apostolic Church as “All Holy Martyrs Who Died During the Armenian Genocide.”