

Central Vic Salvos

1st June 2025

The Red Shield Appeal: More Than a Donation This is a Lifeline

Each year The Salvation Army Red Shield appeal stands as a powerful reminder that when we come together in generosity, lives are changed through the power of the Holy Spirit. This is more than a simple fundraising campaign, this is a Lifeline, this is grace and mercy for thousands of Australians who are at disadvantage and experiencing hardship such as Addiction, homelessness, escaping violence or struggling to find food for themselves. Through your support and the support of the wider community we can offer meals, assistance to homeless, financial assistance and much needed community support to those who need it the most.

As we reflect on the heart behind our giving, we're reminded of the powerful truth in **Proverbs 19:17 (NIV)**:

"Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward them for what they have done."

God invites us to trust Him, to give generously even sacrificially and then to watch as He responds with abundant provision, not only for those we serve, but for His people who step forward in obedience. Through your generosity, the Central Vic Salvos are empowered to carry out God's will, glorifying Him by meeting people at their point of need.

This is the very heart of the Red Shield Appeal.

Your gift is not just a donation it is an act of **faith, compassion,** and **partnership** with God's mission on earth. As Jesus said in **Matthew 25:40 (NIV)**:

"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

And thank you for being part of a movement that believes in **transformation one** person, one family, one life at a time.

Josh Morgan Bendigo Salvos



GREATER BENDIGO

We need your support to help man our collection points. The collection points are below please pop your name down on the roster if you can help. Be the hope someone needs.

• Kangaroo Flat and Epsom Bunnings - 2 - 7 June

If you are interested please contact Major Karen Armstrong on 5459 0507, Captain Ashir Morris on 5440 8431 or Caroline Carter on 5440 8434.



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CASTLEMAINE Digital Doorknock

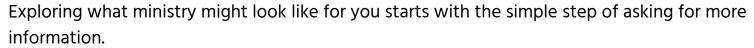


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SNAPS FROM RED SHIELD APPEAL COLLECTING ACROSS CVS



WHAT'S NEXT | DISCERNING THE CALL TO MINISTRY



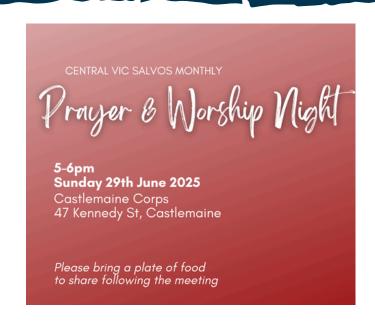
We have a team of people who are dedicated to helping you discern what your next steps are – and who can also answer any questions you may have about ministry, calling, and becoming a leader in The Salvation Army.

To find out more, fill out an Expression of Interest form online and we'll get in touch with you. https://www.jotform.com/213146616652858



Central Vic Salvos





PRAISE GOD FOR:

- Please continue to spend time daily in **ADORATION** of our Amazing and Awesome God, reflecting on God Himself, Praising Him for and in His Love, for His Power and Majesty, for His Wonderful gift of Christ.
- Praise Him for our families and friends, our neighbours and all the people He calls us into a relationship with.
- Praise Him for the Vision and Mission of The Salvation Army, and the part Central Vic Salvos has, the part
 we each have, in 'preaching' the Gospel message to all nations.
- Praise Him for all the committed and faithful followers of Christ throughout Central Vic Salvos.
- Praise Him for all those who have recently made a decision to follow Jesus and Praise Him for all those who have yet to make that decision (through the help of the ministry of Central Vic Salvos).
- Continue to offer prayers of **THANKSGIVING** being thankful and grateful for everything that God gives you, for everything that God does for you, even the tough times that we go through, knowing that God will use them for our spiritual growth, if we allow Him to.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Our Mision and Vision as we share the love of Jesus by: Caring for people, creating faith pathways, building healthy communities and working for justice, so that wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight alongside others, TO TRANSFORM Central Victoria ONE LIFE AT A TIME WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS.
- For every officer, soldier, adherent, employee, youth and child, that we will each be active in sharing our faith and spreading the Gospel message, reaching out in practical ways to minister to the needs of our communities, to daily put our faith in action.
- For **PROTECTION** for our Church Leaders (Major Karen Armstrong, Captains Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir, Beth Waldron Anstice and Captains Heather and Peter Stamp) and their families if we are advancing the Kingdom of God, we will come under attack of the enemy, and those in leadership are prime targets. Use scripture (Isa. 54:17, Ps 91, Ps 23, Isa. 45:2) Cover them in the Blood of Jesus. May they always seek God first, in everything they do.
- Pray for yourselves and families we all need protection from the enemy if we are living according to God's will for us.

Psalm 86: 11-13

'Teach me Your ways, O Lord, that I may live according to Your truth! Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honour You. With all my heart I will praise You, O Lord my God. I will give glory to Your Name forever, for Your love for me is very great.'



FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Tuesday 24 June at 12pm at the Borough Club Eaglehawk. For more information please see Major Karen.

PRAYER FOR THE SALVATION ARMY VICTORIA

Currently we have an opportunity to do something new and to do mission differently, we seek to be relevant to our communities as we see lives transformed.

We aim to be Jesus-centred and Spirit-led and to see hope revealed.

POINT 1 - We pray for all those in our communities who need our support, our care and our encouragement.

POINT 2 - We pray for new expressions of worship; gathered worshipping communities, communities of hope and community tables.

POINT 3 - We pray for local mission plans formed by Corps and programs and that goals would be reached and peoples lives changed.

POINT 4 - Pray for new leaders to step forward for officership and ministry roles across our Corps and social programs.

POINT 5 - As we increase the number of co-located services, we pray for close collaboration in mission as we serve people holistically.

POINT 6 - We pray for our international, territorial and divisional leaders.





Free Indoor/Outdoor Play, Music, Reading,
Friends and Healthy Snack.
Something for everyone,
bring a gold coin donation and a piece of fruit.
From birth to school age.
Contact: 5459 0500
*during school terms

WORSHIP PAINTING DAY



Tuesday 17th June from 10am

Come along if you are interested in discovering a new way to worship God.

Art

Eaglehawk Salvation Army Church Street

WORSHIP THROUGH CREATIVITY:

Ephesians 2:10 emphasizes that Christians are created in Christ Jesus for good works, including artistic expression, which can be an act of working

Live painting is an act of creativity.

The act of creativity reminds us that

we worship and are made in the

image of an Eternally Creative God.

act of worship.

inspired by God as a means of reflecting and glorifying the wonder of God.

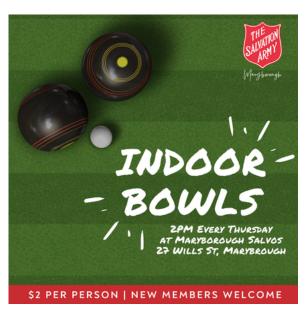
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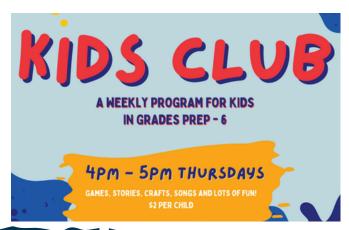


INSPIRED ARTISTS:

Exodus 35:35 mentions that God filled the Israelites with skill to create artistic works for the Tabernacle, highlighting His inspiration of artists for worship.

Maryborough





Every week in the kingdom of God we experience amazing blessings along with some bad breaks. Among the blessings of this week – the generosity of the community giving to Red Shield, and the solid work of many volunteers in setting up the BBQ, cooking sausages, baking cakes, collecting donations. Maxi IGA donated sausages and bread and drinks so that all of the funds given could be directed to Red Shield. (see photos on page 2) Another blessing has been the growth of community on site at the hall, including in the playground and the sand pit -which is back in full swing.

Our playgroup continues to grow, new partnerships with local agencies are forming healthy ways of working together, including the Mount Alexander Food Relief Network and Parent Pathways employment mentoring group. New volunteers are stepping into serving at Doorways, and continuing team members are reshaping their roles to focus on the things they enjoy and give their best doing.

Occupancy of the Quarters has been approved and improvements to the shed to seal the walls is in process and both of these will increase our safe storage spaces and relieve pressure on the Kennedy Street Site.

We have uncovered some funds that were kept for us, but which had been lost track of, that will open up new possibilities of mission.

In the midst of these blessings there have been frustrations and set backs of course, but which I won't detail.

Usually in this space I write about the bible, not just newsy reports. I hope by now you're thinking "come on Beth, where's the theology?" I'm not here to disappoint. In our Resurrection text this week from the beginning of Acts, the disciples watch as the Risen Jesus is taken up into a cloud. They are looking up, gobsmacked, transfixed by what has happened. But then two men in white appear (if you've been following along in Luke you'll know that they are Elijah and Moses) who jolt the disciples back to attention, saying "What are you doing looking up!?!".

We often think that lifting our eyes to the heavens and getting above earthy things is what being a person of faith is all about. But sometimes – as the two men in white advise – we should stop staring at the sky expecting something, and look all around us. That's where we'll see God at work, where the blessings can be seen. That's certainly how the story unfolds for the disciples in the rest of Acts, as they look around and find the Holy Spirit at work – Jesus still really alive and present through his new body – the church.

This is the same for us, as we keep our eyes peeled for what God is doing around us in Castlemaine, Mount Alexander Shire, Victoria and the ends of the earth.

DIARY DATES

June 1 Pancake & Waffle church from 10am

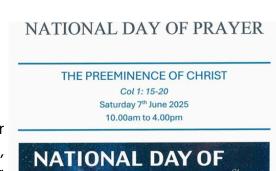
June 7 National Day of Prayer – Church of Christ

June 13 Family Fun night

June 15 Leadership Lunch to be rescheduled

DOORWAYS VOLUNTEER POSITION:

We are looking for a capable kitchen volunteer to complement our team on fridays - making coffee, preparing and serving morning tea, keeping on top of the dishes while offering positive welcoming hospitality to the community. Doorways volunteers need to be calm, compassionate, relating to community members in a trauma informed and healing supported approach. Naturally all of the volunteer process (including WWCC and police checks) apply. Speak to Beth if you know someone to recommend or wish to apply.



7 JUNE 2025

Church of Christ 66 Blakely Rd Castlemaine Salvos leading 11am-noon Incorporating call to prayer for Victorian Division of The Salvation Army

Bendigo

Recently Ms Lisa Chesters MP visited the Thursday community meal in Bendigo.



Showers are available on the following days. Toiletries are provided.

Monday: 12.30pm - 3.30pm Tuesday: 12.30pm - 3.30pm Thursday: 9.30am - 12.30pm Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm Sunday: 11.30am - 12.30pm

Laundry



Stop by the big orange box next to the Worship Centre and have a chat with our friendly volunteers while

you wash your clothes.

Monday: 1.00pm - 3.00pm **Thursday:** 10.30am - 1.00pm

Please make sure you arrive 45 minutes before closing to allow enough time to dry your clothes

Do you have some spare time and looking for something to do? Our CBD Thrift Shop is looking for volunteers to help out. Are you cleaning out your wardrobe? They are also in

need of clothing 18 Pall Mall Bendigo



Gravel Hill site 150th celebration

Celebrating 150 Years of the Gravel Hill Building!

Join us for a special occasion as we commemorate the rich history and legacy of the Gravel Hill Building. This milestone marks 150 years of community, service, and faith.

Event Details:

Date: Wednesday, 9th July 2025 Time: 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM Lunch: 11:30am-12:30pm

Location: 65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo VIC 3550

Come and be part of this historic moment with us. Let's celebrate together!

For more information, contact us at: (03) 5440 8410

Opening hours: 9:00am-4:30pm



Bendigo

https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/bendigo/

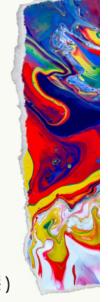




BENDIGO ART SPACE

A free, relaxed drop-in art space. Inspired by starting afresh and discovering how the Master Creator can do something new within us. Come, be inspired and create with us!

MONDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM THURSDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM IN SHELTER SHED (OPPOSITE CAFÉ)



BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP

2B Thistle Street, Golden Square Ph: (03) 5459 0504

Open Hours:

9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday 9am-2pm Saturday

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

18 Pall Mall, Bendigo Ph: (03) 5459 0509

Open Hours:

9:30am-4:00pm Monday to Saturday

EAGLEHAWK THRIFT SHOP

4 Marong Rd, Ironbark Ph: (03) 5459 0508

Open Hours:

9:30am-5pm Monday to Friday 9:30am-4pm Saturday

CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine Ph: (03) 5459 0506

Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday 10am-3pm Saturday

ST ARNAUD THRIFT SHOP

70-72 Napier Street, St Arnaud Ph: (03) 5459 0503

Open Hours:

9:30am - 3:30pm Monday to Friday 10am-2pm Saturday

AVOCA THRIFT SHOP

114 High Street, Avoca Ph: (03) 5459 0502

Open Hours:

10:00am - 3:30pm Mon, Wed, Fri

BENDIGO

MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal 1.00pm - Art Space 12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers 12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

TUESDAY

12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers

THURSDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers 10.30 to 1.30pm - Clothes Washing 11.15am - Chapel 12.00pm - Community Meal 1.00pm - Art Space 3.00 to 5.00pm - Drop in space 6.00 to 7.15pm - Zac's Place 12.00 to 2.00pm - Free Hair cuts (see Hair Aid poster)

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service 11.30am-12.30pm - Free Showers 4.00pm - Discovery Church

CASTLEMAINE

MONDAY

10.00am - Playgroup

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways 10:30am - Women's Fellowship

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

THURSDAY

12.00pm - Noon Prayer 2.00pm - Bowls 4.00pm - Kids Club *

27 Wills St, Maryborough

51 Church St, Eaglehawk

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways 5.00pm - Faith Chats * 6.00pm - Youth Group *

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting 10.00am - Celebration Service (All Age Worship 1st, Corps Lunch 3rd Sunday) 12.00pm - Junior Soldiers (3rd Sunday)

EAGLEHAWK

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays 10.00am - Celebration Service

TUESDAYS

3:35 to 5pm - Choir Practice.

THURSDAY

1.30pm - Crafty Skills Community 3.00pm - Bible Study (fortnightly)* 4:30 pm - Prayer Meeting - Hall

*not on during school Holidays

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

THE SALVATION ARMY CENTRAL VIC SALVOS

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EAGLEHAWK

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CASTLEMAINE

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MARYBOROUGH

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Doorways is our Community Support program. It is the entryway through which those experiencing hardship and/or disadvantage can take proactive steps to find the support they need to overcome life's challenges and find long-term solutions. We offer a range of services from emergency relief to case management and more.

If you are experiencing hardship or financial difficulties, please call the Salvos Phone Assistance Line (PAL) on <u>03 8873 5288</u>.

This service operates Monday to Friday between 9am and 4pm.

Please be aware no assistance interviews will be conducted from our local sites. Community members presenting to any of our Central Vic Salvos sites will be invited to contact Salvos PAL.



The Salvation Army Central Victoria acknowledges the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples of the Kulin Nation, the Traditional owners of the land on which we meet and work and pay our respect to Elders past, present and future. We value and include people of all cultures, languages, abilities, sexual orientations, gender identities, gender expressions and intersex status. We are committed to providing programs that are fully inclusive. We are committed to the safety and wellbeing of people of all ages, particularly children.