



# Central Vic Salvos

16th March 2025

Living in Carisbrook and working for Central Vic Salvos across Maryborough, Castlemaine and Bendigo, the Pyrenees Highway has become very familiar. I watch the changes through the seasons across fields, farms and forests; driving into the sunrise in the morning and the sunset at night, dashing across in the middle of the day to make meetings under a high blazing sun or scooting home late at night with stars and planets overhead, there is always something to take my attention and make me wonder at the goodness and sadness of God's cosmos.

Crossing Cairn Curran Reservoir at Joyce's Creek, I've been observing the progress of our Summer-Dry hijacking the water; in great gulps the land and the air seem to be swallowing up all of the water. What was a wide and deep reservoir made by human damming, has returned again to the original creek between wide green pastures. A few small scattered ponds remain and there are occasional dead fish rotting in the newly sprouting weeds everywhere.

On Monday Gordon and I explored this area – and we found one lone fish in a small pond with barely enough water to stay submerged. Gordon, a compulsively compassionate pastor, set about saving this one fish. As he moved closer and closer to the pond, the mud became softer and squishier and he sank deeper – to his knees, and deeper – to his thighs – and deeper to his hips. He lent in and caught the fish gently in a wet tea towel and squelched back through the mud to the bank, crossed the verge to where the creek still runs and, entering the water to his waist, set the fish free.

I watched all of this – ready to try and rescue! But at the same time I was reminded of the beautiful writings of Ezekiel the prophet in the Old Testament. Ezekiel chapter 47 describes a vision in which he is taken to the Temple of God where a river flows out – and he is invited to step into the river – and in he goes – ankle deep, knee deep, waist deep then in over his head! And this river has fish of everykind, fresh and flourishing filling nets abundantly for food.

Our challenge in our faith is to wade in deeper and deeper – to take the risk of being overwhelmed by God's spirit, to risk getting out of our depth and depending on God, to risk the sinking squelching mud – to go in deep and reach out to rescue one who is only just hanging on to life.

Beth.  
**Castlemaine**





# Central Vic Salvos



**SAVE THE DATE**

Two exciting events coming up for CVS to have fun together and worship.

1st is a Trivia night held at Bendigo Corps

2nd is CVS Sunday all Corps coming together to worship in Eaglehawk.  
more information in the coming weeks.

**SAVE THE DATE**






**The Melbourne Staff Band**  
visiting **Eaglehawk Salvation Army**

**MARCH 15 & 16 2025**

<p><b>Parade on Saturday</b> Eaglehawk Dahlia &amp; Arts Festival</p> <p><b>Concert at 7pm Saturday</b> Capital Theatre</p>	<p><b>Service at 10am Sunday Morning</b> 51 Church Street, Eaglehawk</p> <p><b>Music by the Lake at 2.30pm Sunday Afternoon</b> Lake Weeroona, near BBQs</p>
---	--

Scan the code to buy your tickets  
\$20 adults - \$10 Children



## PRAISE GOD FOR:

- His wonderful faithfulness, God never ever lets us down
- His amazing Grace and Mercy (it is good for us to constantly remember that nothing we could possibly do, would ever earn His Grace - it is a free gift)
- Central Vic Salvos (it is good to work together, for God's Kingdom and the impact we each have on our communities)
- People making decisions to follow Jesus!



## PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- The Salvation Army (World Wide) - may we all be led by God's Spirit, and God's Spirit alone, may everything we do, be pleasing to God, ask God to remove anything within us that hinders our effectiveness for His Kingdom.
- A new store for Maryborough, may a suitable premises be found for Salvos Stores to set up, the shop continues to be greatly missed.
- Continue please to pray for each other, especially those who we know are struggling, who are going through difficult times, who are unwell health wise and in need of physical healing. May we be there for each other.
- This week we are praying for metropolitan Adelaide. The area officer responsible for leading mission in this area is Major Wendy Hateley

**John 13:34-35** "So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for each other will **PROVE TO THE WORLD** that you are my disciples."





## DISCOVERY CHURCH

Discovery church is starting a new program called Alpha.

Alpha is a beginners course for people who want to know who God is and our place in the world.

Sundays @ 5:00pm  
If you are interested please contact  
Kenneth: 0466 233 230  
or  
Captain Ashir: 0408 746 144

Bendigo



## URDU, HINDI AND PUNJABI CHURCH SERVICE

SATURDAY 29TH MARCH 2025

Every fortnight  
The Salvation Army Bendigo  
Worship and Community Centre  
65-71 Mundy St (Gate 1)

Bendigo



## HOPE REVEALED

SELF DENIAL 2025



"I encourage you to give sacrificially to the Self Denial Appeal, so God's hope can be revealed around the world."

Lieut-Colonel George Patrick,  
India



## Showers



Our shower is open on the following days for anyone experiencing homelessness.

Monday: 12:00pm- 3:00pm  
Tuesday: 12:00pm-3:00pm  
Thursday 10:00am-1:00pm  
Friday: 10:00am-1:00pm  
Sunday: 11:30am-12:30pm

Bendigo Salvos  
65-71 Mundy st  
worship centre



## Community Meals

We have three free Community Meals each week.

Monday (held by Impact Recovery): 12:00pm-1:00pm

Thursday: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Friday (held by MADCOW) 10:30am-12:00pm

Bendigo Salvos, 65-71 Mundy st  
Hilltop Café

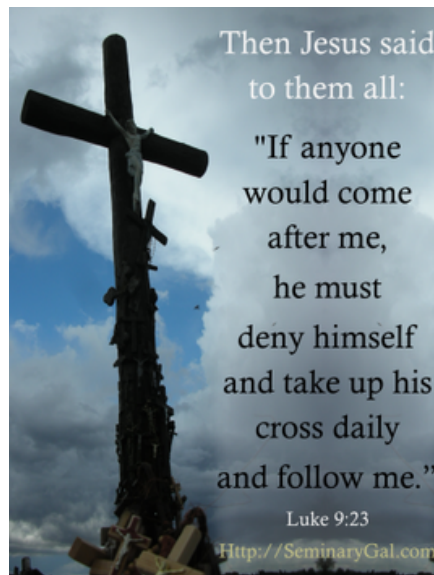


Then Jesus said to them all:

"If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me."

Luke 9:23

[Http://SeminaryGal.com](http://SeminaryGal.com)



## THIS SUNDAY

1 Thessalonians 2:1-20 Self Denial - Sharing our selves.

In this chapter Paul and his gospel-bearing buddies can't settle on one way of describing how they relate to the community in Thessaloniki. First Paul imagines himself as a breast-feeding nurse, then a father, then slave, then sibling, then finally he's an orphan! Is he confused? Or is he just listing every kind of loving, sharing, relationship he can think of? There's lots for us to explore together as we seek to do as Paul did and "share not only the Gospel of God, but also our own selves" (1 Thess 2:8) with our community.



## CASTLEMAINE MINISTRY LEADERS

Lunch March 23 after church

## CASTLEMAINE SALVOS AT

Campbell's Creek Fete 4pm-8pm  
Friday March 28 – speak to Beth if you would like to help.



Beautiful birds creatively made in church last Sunday and still flying through Doorways during the week. "Not one of them is forgotten in God's sight" Luke 12:6

Campbells Creek Primary School including Guildford Campus would like to say a huge **THANK YOU** to the following businesses for their amazing support of our **TWILIGHT FETE**

Friday, 28th March 2024 4 - 8pm **TWILIGHT FETE** Campbells Creek Primary School 127 Main Road, Campbells Creek

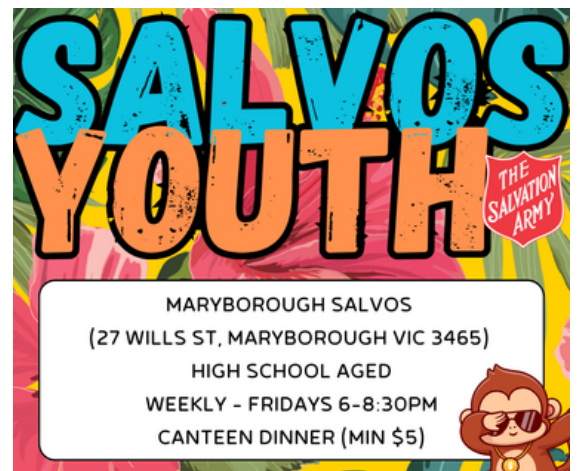




# Maryborough



## Eaglehawk



### Crafty Skills Community

Thursdays 1.30pm



51 Church Street, Eaglehawk

(03) 5459 0507



### EAGLEHAWK LEADERSHIP MEETING

Thursday 27th March at 7pm or after the weekly prayer time if this suits you better. Please let Karen know.



# Thrift Shops

## 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

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### BENDIGO

#### MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal

1.00pm - Art Space

12.30-2.30pm - Clothes Washing

1.30-2.30pm - Free Showers

#### THURSDAY

11.15am - Chapel

12.00pm - Community Meal

1.00pm - Art Space

3.00 - 5.00pm - Drop in space

10.30-1.30pm - Clothes Washing

3.00-5.00pm - Free Showers

12.00-2.00pm - Free Hair cuts (see Hair Aid poster)

#### SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service

4.00pm - Discovery Church

**65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo**

### MARYBOROUGH

#### MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

10:30am - Women's Fellowship

#### WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

#### THURSDAY

2.00pm - Bowls

4.00pm - Kids Club

#### FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

#### SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting

10.00am - Celebration Service

(All Age Worship 1st Sunday, Corps Lunch 3rd Sunday)

12.00pm - Junior Soldiers (3rd Sunday)

**27 Wills St, Maryborough**

### EAGLEHAWK

#### SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

#### TUESDAYS

3:35 - 5pm Choir Practice.

#### THURSDAY

1.30pm - Crafty Skills Community

3.00pm - Bible Study (fortnightly)

4:30 pm - Prayer Meeting - Hall

#### FRIDAY

**51 Church St, Eaglehawk**

### CASTLEMAINE

#### Wednesday

9.30am - 12.00pm Doorways

#### Friday

9.30am - 12.00pm Doorways

#### Sunday

10.30am - Worship Service

**47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine**



# Contact Us

## THE SALVATION ARMY CENTRAL VIC SALVOS

### BENDIGO

**Capt. Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir**  
65 – 71 Mundy Street, Bendigo | 03 5440 8431  
corpsofficer.bendigo@salvationarmy.org.au

### CASTLEMAINE

**Beth Waldron Anstice**  
47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine | 03 5459 0505  
corpsofficer.castlemaine@salvationarmy.org.au

### EAGLEHAWK

**Corps Officer: Maj. Karen Armstrong**  
51 Church Street, Eaglehawk | (03) 5459 0507  
corpsofficer.eaglehawk@salvationarmy.org.au

### MARYBOROUGH

**Major Brad Halse**  
27 Wills St, Maryborough | 03 5459 0500  
corpsofficer.maryborough@salvationarmy.org.au



**2 WAYS TO GIVE**



**IN PERSON**  
PLACE YOUR CASH  
OR ENVELOPES IN  
THE OFFERING PLATE



**ONLINE**  
VIA BPAY  
BILLER CODE: 437855  
REFERENCE #: 10009



# doorways

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 03 8873 5288.  
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.

**Bendigo | Castlemaine | Eaglehawk | Maryborough**