

Central Vic Salvos

4th May 2025

JOIN US IN SUPPORTING THE RED SHIELD APPEAL

Every 17 seconds, The Salvation Army in Australia helps someone in need. And this help is made possible through the generosity of people like you, who support the Red Shield Appeal.

The compounded impact of the financial and social events of the past few years means homelessness is fast becoming the reality for an increasing number of individuals and families, including more employed Australians. The Salvation Army has walked alongside Australians for over 140 years — providing shelter, safety and support to those in need. Over the last financial year, we provided over 1.1 million nights of accommodation and over \$24.3 million in financial assistance via cash, gift cards, vouchers and more to those in need. But our work is far from over. This Red Shield Appeal, we ask you to support us, and be the hope people desperately need to move beyond hardship. You can donate to the Red Shield Appeal online, or in person. You can also sign up to fundraise on our behalf, or volunteer to help us raise funds. In 2024, our dedicated volunteer fundraisers, people like you, helped us raise almost \$5 million in funds for much-needed programs and services that vulnerable Aussies seek every day. Red Shield Appeal funds help The Salvation Army deliver vital community programs and social services, such as:

- · Emergency financial assistance
- · Refuge for women and children in crisis
- · Shelter and support for those facing homelessness
- · Crisis, transitional and long-term housing
- · Youth drop-in centres and support programs
- · Emergency and disaster relief (immediate support, all the way to long-term recovery)
- · Drug and alcohol addiction recovery and rehabilitation support
- · Employment training programs
- · Chaplaincy

This year, we invite you to be a part of something powerful—The Salvation Army's Red Shield Appeal. Every dollar raised goes directly to helping Australians in crisis. Your kindness can be the turning point in someone's life. Whether you donate, volunteer, or spread the word, your action brings hope and with it, a blessing. As Jesus said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive" (Acts 20:35). When we serve others, we not only lift them we draw closer to the heart of God. Let's come together in compassion and make a real difference. Across central Vic there are a lot happening during Red Shield appeal. I invite you all to take a part in it. Be the reason someone believes in love again. Join the Red Shield Appeal today.

Captain Hummera Ashir (Bendigo)



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Bendigo Home league day out, great day for fellowship, new experiences for some people and a lot of learning.

God is good all the time.



BENDIGO TRIVIA

a great night in Bendigo, trivia hats were on. prizes also given to the best dressed adult, child and best table name



The 5 Young adults of Maryborough Salvos spent there long weekend at the Young Adults Retreat in Queenscliff, Where they got to meet up with fellow adults there age and leaders from other salvo corps who spent the time to share testimonies, learn about who they are and worship through singing together. Our young adults got to see how God is working with us and what types of gifts has he given us and even some gifts we didn't even know we had or needed to explore more deeply. With each day and time to explore the area around us, we took lots of new life lessons and time to pray for each other and even to have our questions discussed or our thoughts challenged. Most of all from the words of our guest speaker/leader Rosy Keane we took this message shared to us. "God likes you, God loves you, Goodbye" showing that there's nothing that can stop us from Gods ever chasing love.



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The Salvation Army has implemented a new purchasing model for uniforms and branded clothing. This new model comprises online ordering with physical pop up stores. To provide Soldiers with access to the new purchasing platform, we require the information requested in the form linked in the QR code or https://www.salvosonline.org.au/uniform-orders





Please bring a plate of food to share following



PRAISE GOD FOR:

- 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)
- His wonderful faithfulness, God never ever lets us down
- 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!

the meeting

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Pray for volunteers. Pray that there will be enough volunteers to cover all the ministries of the CVS. Pray that volunteers will not be stretched thin and burned out on serving, but will maintain a balance between serving and being served. Acts 6:3-7
- 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.
- 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.

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."





GREATER BENDIGO

The Red Shield Appeal is just around the corner and we need your help. We are looking for passionate and community minded people to volunteer as team leaders at our various collection points. If you are interested please contact Major Karen Armstrong on 5459 0507, Corps Officer Ashir Morris on 5440 8431 or Caroline Carter on 5440 8434.

We also urgently need your support to help man our collection points. The various collection points are below and a roster will be drawn up to put your name down. Be the hope someone needs.

- Eaglehawk IGA & Golden Square Woolworths 12 17 May
- Kangaroo Flat and Long Gully IGA 19 24 May
- Coles Bendigo 19 24 May
- Marketplace and Lansell square 26 31 May
- Kangaroo Flat and Epsom Bunnings 2 7 June
- Caravan and Leisure show Bendigo Showgrounds 30, 31 May & 1 June
- Intersection collection 24, 25 & 31 May

EAGLEHAWK EVENTS FOR THE 2ND HALF OF THE YEAR.

June - Worship painting day

July - Making a Psalm 23 bracelet

August - Scrapbook of Faith

September - Knitting / Crocheting for a cause

October - High Tea

November - Chocolate Making workshop

December - Getting ready for Christmas.







Sunday 11th May Worship 10am followed with Pancakes 51 Church Street, Eaglehawk



RED SUNDAY

SUNDAY 18 MAY @ 10AM

As you come to worship you are encouraged to wear red clothing at Eaglehawk

MARYBOROUGH FAMILY CHURCH INC.

97 Burke Street, Maryborough You are invited to the official dedication of the Maryborough Family Church on Sunday June 15th @ 2:30pm

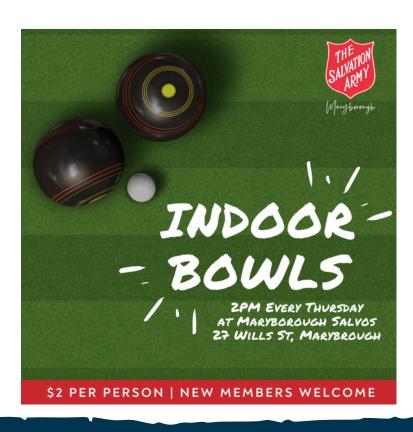
RSVP 1st June: 0475 032 815







Come join us and share a memory of your mum/person who influenced you growing up. 27 Wills Street, Maryborough





paint.

Back at the end of March in the Sunday Meeting we were sharing together the different rhythms and practices we had for sustaining a healthy spiritual life. Many people shared their various ways, but afterwards, over morning tea a visitor approached me and showed me the paintings he does as an expression of his faith - he didn't feel confident to peak up in the meeting but still wanted to show me. He then offered to paint something for our community and asked if there was a theme I would like him to

As Easter was approaching, I suggested something that celebrated resurrection that was set in the local land and environment of Castlemaine. We found an old canvas for him which he painted over with whitewash, and then, in the week of Easter, he brought in this artwork, full of light, beauty and joy. It sits gloriously on a stand in the midst of our Doorways space - and so many comment on its striking quality, and speak of hope and light.

We are so grateful to Doni for sharing his gift and this vision of resurrection.

In the world around us, people and corporations and marketing and products move on quickly from the easter season. Chocolate eggs are sold off and disappear, and are replaced by Anzac biscuits and flags.

Even in the Salvation Army communications I am feeling the push onwards into the next thing - Red Shield Appeal is on the doorstep.

But Easter is not just a seasonal celebration for us as followers of Jesus, so we're not going to move on from Resurrection reflections so soon. Across these weeks in May and June in which there will be, for sure, Democracy sausages and election night parties, Mother's Day, Red Shield Appeal, Naidoc week, Kings Birthday - all of which are variously significant. But it is the resurrection of Jesus that constantly and ultimately defines us: the life and love that is stronger than death that calls us to live fully alive and empowered, motivated and defined by the irrepressible Love of God. So we won't be rushing away from Easter, but lingering and exploring the resurrection stories of Good news. Because the resurrection isn't a past event but something that is happening in our lives now. We are, after all, People of the Resurrection.

As we sang on Easter Sunday:
Jesus is Alive,
He's Risen from the dead,
Jesus is Alive
Let's get it happening in our head,
Let's get it happening in our heart
Let's get it happening in our lives,
Cos it's the same power
That brought death down,
That turns the world around
And is giving us a new start.



DIARY DATES

May 4: 10 am Pancake church

May 5: Playgroup

May 18: Leadership Lunch

May 24/25 & 31: Red Shield Collection Castlemaine & Maldon



Sunday 11th May @ 10.30am

Come join us and celebrate the women
who influenced you growing up.
47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine

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 12.00pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers 12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

TUESDAY

12.00pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers

THURSDAY

10.00am to 1.00pm - 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)

SUNDAY

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

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

CASTLEMAINE

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

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

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting 10.00am - Celebration Service (All Age Worship 1st, Corps Lunch 3rd Sunday) 12.00pm - Junior Soldiers (3rd Sunday) **27 Wills St, Maryborough**

*not on during school Holidays

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 51 Church St, Eaglehawk

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

EAGLEHAWK

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CASTLEMAINE

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47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine | 03 5459 0505
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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.