



# Central Vic Salvos

9th March 2025

## LENT

As I was growing up in church I really don't remember much about Lent and what it meant. Especially as being a believer of Jesus Christ. However, and praise to God, once I fully became saved, I started to understand more of the sacrifice Jesus made for me. I began to learn and deepen my understanding and the importance of the season of Lent.

It all starts on Ash Wednesday which was 5th March. On the Tuesday is what has become known as Pancake Day or Shrove Tuesday which is a time for Christians to confess in preparation before Lent begins.

In this period, it is 6 weeks or 46 days of preparation to Easter. The Sundays are not included in the number. Believers take this time to fast, pray, reflect and listen to God. A few years ago I was fast, chocolate or watching TV. I gave me to opportunity to spend more time in my reflection in the scriptures.

Linking Lent to scripture –

40 Day of rain and Noah in the ark (Genises 6)

40 Days of Jesus in the wilderness (Matthew 4, Luke 4) This is Jesus preparation before He begins His public ministry.

40 Days between Jesus' Resurrection and Ascension. (Matthew 28, Mark 16, Luke 24, John 29 & Acts 1)

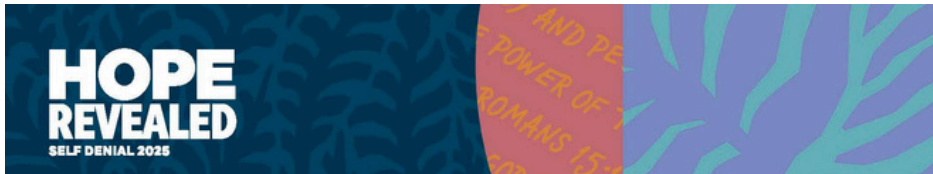
Lent will bring us to Holy Week and during this week Jesus engaged in so much ministry. The triumphal entry into Jerusalem, the Last Supper and the Crucifixion. Then 3 days later we can rejoice and celebrate with Jesus in His Resurrection.

This Easter season are you preparing yourself through self-examination, fasting, renewal and spiritual growth. Humble yourself before God Our Father and pause on the cross. What does the cross mean to you? May God richly bless you during this season. Amen.

Major Karen (Eaglehawk)



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Friends,

When we live Jesus-centred, Spirit-led lives, we open the way for God’s hope to be revealed to us and to others. The annual Self Denial Appeal is an opportunity for us — The Salvation Army Australia — to put this message into action. We can prayerfully seek God and make a sacrificial, financial gift that helps reveal his hope to others around the world. Many of you have generously supported the Self Denial Appeal in the past — thank you! I am so grateful for you. Your gift has enabled Salvation Army ministries to operate in countries where funds are limited.

This year’s theme is “Hope revealed” and draws upon Paul’s message in Romans 15:13, “May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit” (NIV).

I have had the incredible opportunity of travelling to Papua New Guinea (PNG) and Indonesia over recent times. To open the intensive care ward in Indonesia, that our people sponsored, including a neo-natal section, was an incredible privilege. Hope revealed!

To sit with a young girl in PNG, who had just lost her dad, to hear her story, and then know we are able to help is both heartbreaking and beautiful. Hope revealed. To be able to support people in desperation across the world. Hope revealed.

I am personally committed to being very generous so that hope is revealed. Our gifts can make a huge difference, and oh, to see those smiles!

Thank you for partnering with the international Salvation Army to transform lives in communities around the world. This year, our video series will highlight work being done in Bulgaria, Georgia, India and Tanzania. Many of these programs are focused on meeting human needs, all of them are bathed in the love of Jesus, but some are ineligible for government support as they are classed as evangelical.

When you give to the Self Denial Appeal, please consider whether you need a tax receipt, and, if not, give to our Evangelical Mission Support fund to help The Salvation Army with this under-funded missionary work.

Thank you for prayerfully seeking God’s heart for this year’s Self Denial Appeal, placing your trust in him and believing hope will be revealed.

Bless you.

Commissioner Miriam Gluyas  
Territorial Commander  
The Salvation Army Australia





# Central Vic Salvos

CENTRAL VIC SALVOS MONTHLY

## Prayer & Worship Night

5-6pm  
Sunday 30th March 2025

Eaglehawk Corps  
51 Church St, Eaglehawk



Central Vic Salvos

*Please bring a plate of food to share following the meeting*



The Salvation Army International has developed a seven-day rhythm of thanking God, noting things you are grateful for, sharing them with others, journaling, reflecting, and expressing thankfulness to those around you. 46 day reading plan found at <https://www.bible.com/reading-plans/55742-an-attitude-of-gratitude>.



### 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 East Melbourne. This includes three Area Leadership Teams and includes suburbs like Ringwood, Dandenong and Box Hill. The area officer responsible for leading mission in this area is Captain Kate Baudinette.

**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."



### **New Appointment - Effective the 1st July, 2025.**

**Captain Heather Stamp**

Corps Officer - Team Leader, Central Vic Salvos – with responsibility for Maryborough Corps.

**Captain Peter Stamp**

Corps Officer – Team Member, Central Vic Salvos – with responsibility for Maryborough Corps.

We pray God's rich blessing upon them as they prepare to take up the appointment in July. Please pray for Capt. Heather & Capt. Peter Stamp with Andy, Lily & Molly as they begin to get ready for this change of appointment.



**BYO a plate of food to share**

*Maryborough*  
**Corps  
Lunch**

**3rd Sunday Of The Month  
After Church**



# Bendigo



Bendigo

## 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



## URDU, HINDI AND PUNJABI CHURCH SERVICE

### SATURDAY 15TH MARCH AT 5:00PM



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



Bendigo



## DISCOVERY CHURCH

Alpha

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.

Starting 9th of march 5:00pm  
If you are interested please contact  
Kenneth: 0466 233 230  
or  
Captain Ashir: 0408 746 144



Bendigo



## Drop in space

Drop in for a coffee and a chat every Thursday.  
from 3:00pm-5:00pm

Bendigo Salvos 65-71 Mundy st  
Worship centre



Bendigo



## 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



Bendigo





# Castlemaine

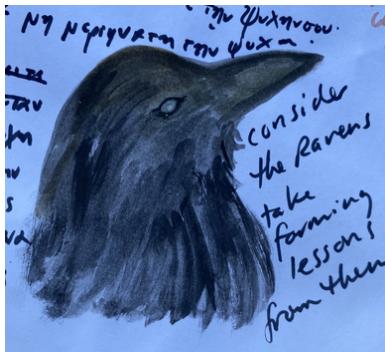
This Sunday we learn from Jesus about healthy self-talk exploring Luke 12.

When and how is it good to talk to ourselves? and how can our self-talk become misguided, diverting our attention from what God is saying to us? What kind of self talk supports proper self-giving, and which voices chatter destructive rubbish in our minds, messing up our understanding of money, resources and our right place in the world?

Jesus teaches with outrageous humour using an anti-parable - a story that shows what the kingdom of God is not like as a greedy landowner tries to manage God's abundance with hoarding (what a goof!) instead of generosity and giving.

And either side of the parable, flying around the story are the true examples of faith and discipleship - sparrows and ravens - who live in a balance of joyful freedom and humble dependence on God.

Ravens are a special personal biblical symbol for me - I wear three ravens permanently tattooed on my body from a time of great difficulty and dependence on God for survival. So be prepared for some feathery faith and feasting on God's good grains of truth.



## Eaglehawk



### FAMILY FUN NIGHT

Friday March 14  
5:30-7:30pm  
Board Games and Hot Dogs  
47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine



**The Melbourne Staff Band**  
visiting **Eaglehawk Salvation Army**  
**MARCH 15 & 16 2025**

Parade on Saturday  
Eaglehawk Dahlia & Arts Festival

Service at 10am Sunday Morning  
51 Church Street, Eaglehawk

Concert at 7pm Saturday  
Capital Theatre

Music by the Lake at 2.30pm Sunday Afternoon  
Lake Weeroona, near BBQs

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

### LEADERSHIP MEETING

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

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



# 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

#### 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

#### 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

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### MARYBOROUGH

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# 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.