

# PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2019

Parramatta Salvation Army



PRAY FOR RAIN



PRAY FOR SAFETY

## GOD'S WORD FOR US...

Again this Sunday we will look at a story of a woman in the Old Testament, the story of Jephthah's daughter (and Jephthah). Like the story of Michal, this is a difficult story to grasp in the 21st Century. Both stories pose questions around women in Scripture, their rights, even their place in these stories. We might also ask, if "all scripture is God breathed and is useful for teaching ... and training in righteousness", how do we learn something about God in these stories?



## PRAYERPOINTS



Please pray for all those affected by the bushfires in NSW and Queensland especially those who have lost their lives or their homes. Also pray for the fire fighters who are doing such a great job.



Pray for Lorna Hayden who was recently promoted to Glory.



Please pray for the Christmas Cheer project as it prepares to receive volunteers and clients. Pray for the team of workers who assist Marg Poore.



Continue to remember those in our corps family who are unwell, receiving treatment or have ongoing medical needs.



Praying for all students as they finish assignments and sit exams at the end of the academic year. Also for the teachers as they finalise marking and prepare for end of year activities.



Prayer is needed as the Corps' leadership teams plan for 2020.



If you would like us to pray for you or your loved ones, contact either **Marty Bust** or **Dot Griffin** for it to be included in the newsletter.

## A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF

Our thoughts and prayers are with those affected by the devastating bushfires in New South Wales and Queensland.

The Salvation Army is active in this emergency and on Sunday launched an [Emergency and Disaster Appeal](#) to support those affected by the fires. Major Bruce Harmer shared [details of our appeal on Today on Sunday Morning](#).

Our hope is to raise \$3,000,000 and our national disaster partner, Woolworths, already donated \$500,000 via the S.T.A.N.D Program and the NSW Premier has pledged \$50,000.

Our Salvation Army Emergency Response Services (SAES) teams are currently responding in 12 evacuation centres with more teams on standby ready to activate as needed.

Providing food to the first responders and the thousands of people in the evacuation centres is our first priority during the emergency phase and to date the response from our SAES has been unprecedented. We would like to thank them for the tireless work during this difficult time.

Beyond the emergency, The Salvation Army will be present in these communities for months and even years to come in order to walk alongside them through the recovery and rebuilding. Money raised during this appeal will make this ongoing work possible.

I will share more updates with you as we get them, I ask you to please share our appeal with your own community through our social media posts on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

In addition to the Mission team, I would also like to thank the Fundraising, Media Relations, Brand and Marketing and Editorial and Production teams for pulling this appeal together over the weekend. Your time and efforts are appreciated.

God's richest blessings,

Mark

## GOLDEN YEARS

On Wednesday our Golden Years were blessed to have a visit from the Toongabbie Christian College Ministry Choir under the leadership of Kim Cugley. They sang a variety of songs, from meaningful Christian ones to an excerpt from a well known movie. We even joined in and sang some of the songs as well as doing the actions to one particular song. It was a great time of fun and fellowship!

We were indebted again to Lorraine and Vince who provided a lovely morning tea for us as well as catering for the Choir members after they had performed.

We would like you to start planning now to attend our Christmas morning which will be on Wednesday 11th December at the All Saints Ministry Centre. For catering purposes, it would be appreciated if you could let Margaret Poore know if you can attend.



# CORPSNEWS

## BUSHFIRE FUNDRAISING APPEAL

We have an opportunity to raise funds for the bushfire appeal at the Sydney Kings v Illawarra hawks game on Sunday afternoon. We have full access to the venue including the corporate boxes and all ticket holders are being made aware that there will be a gold Coin donation opportunity. It will be announced at half time and throughout the game.

We are looking for volunteers to help out with the bushfire appeal. The doors open at 1:15 and the game starts at 2:30. Half time is at approx. 3:15 when people are out of their seats.

If you can help would you please contact Greg Donovan on 8644 0121 or 0439 629 965

## FIRE DISASTER OFFERING

There will be an opportunity to take an offering this Sunday for the fire disaster appeal. There will be donation payment slips and envelopes provided.

## A TRIBUTE TO LORNA HAYDON

Our corps was saddened to learn of the passing of Lorna, who became a Senior Soldier of our corps on the 27<sup>th</sup> December, 1992.

For many years Lorna was involved in our Ladies Fellowship, Golden Years and also attended our Easy English Church services. Lorna set the standard high as not only did she attend the Easy English service she would then attend the regular Sunday morning services as well. When speaking to friends who knew Lorna well, they passed the comment that she was a willing worker offering her assistance whenever there was a need. She was often seen helping serve the morning tea at Ladies Fellowship. You could always rely on her being early to any function she attended. Lorna was often seen wandering around our second hand shop greeting the volunteers who worked there. She was always happy having a chat and take an interest in the volunteers.

Unfortunately because of ill health Lorna for some years was not able to attend the services at Parramatta.

Our corps extends to Lorna's family our sincere condolences and would like you to know that we are very thankful that we had the privilege of Lorna attending our corps for many years.

God bless and be with you each this morning.

(The above tribute was read by Colonel John Hodge who conducted Lorna's funeral service on Wednesday morning.)

## FUNDRAISING FOR CHRISTMAS AT WESTFIELD PARRAMATTA

If you can help with our fundraising this Christmas, we have a 'booth' at Westfield Parramatta on Level 3 near Kmart every Thursday in December until Christmas and we need some helpers to 'person' it. If you are available for an hour or two any Thursday and are happy to put on your Red Shield T-shirt or your uniform and help out, please see Grant.



## CHRISTMAS CAROLLING

If you are interested in singing Christmas Carols in our local shopping Centres in December please let Marg Robinson know your availability.

## DUTY ROSTER

This Sunday Loretta, Annette and Shannon are on the roster for morning tea. If you cannot do this week please call Loretta on 0467785786.

## COMINGEVENTS

### LADIES FELLOWSHIP

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2019

### A High Tea 'BIRTHDAY MORNING'

*with Major Bev Mole*

Morning tea at 10.00am at Granville.

### FRIDAY NIGHT YOUTH GROUP



\$20 per person

All-in meal at 6:15pm.

5:45 - 6:15 Band / Junior Timbrels

6:15 - 6:45 All-in meal (parents are welcome!!)

6:45 - 7:15 Combined dance

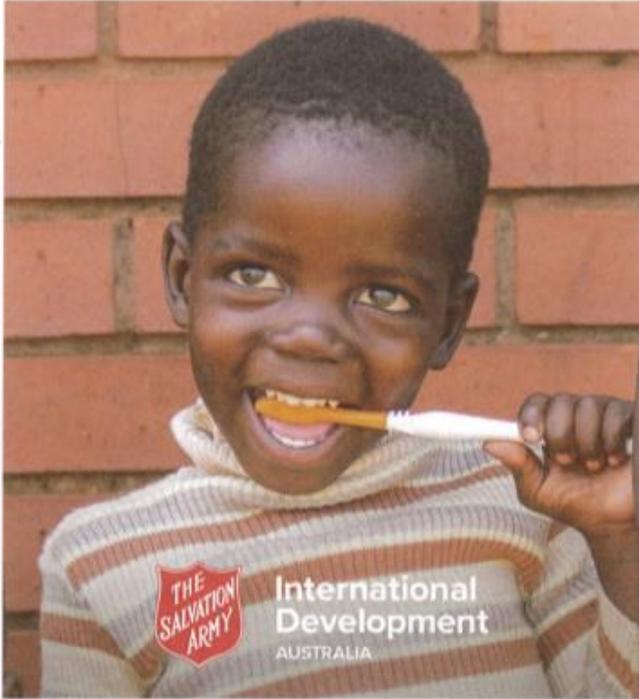
7:15 - Departure from Granville to CodeRed (Timbrels won't be on this Friday as we're headed to CodeRed early)

Pick up will be from CodeRed at 9:30pm.



# Salvos Gifts

GIFTS THAT KEEP ON GIVING



Would you like to be involved in Carols in the Domain this year and share the spirit of Christmas and help provide **Hope where it's needed most!**

This year we are looking for people who can read music and sing a part (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass), with a passion to represent the Salvation Army well in the public arena.

The commitment we need from you is:  
Rehearsals at Rockdale Corps Units 3 & 4,  
432 West Botany Street, Rockdale at 7.00pm

Monday 9 December

Thursday 12 December

Monday 16 December

Rehearsals at the Domain, time tba

Thursday 19 December

Friday 20 December (Full dress rehearsal)

Register online: [https://](https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/christmas/carols-in-the-domain-choir-2019/)

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Email: [sydneycfr@salvationarmy.org.au](mailto:sydneycfr@salvationarmy.org.au)

Phone: Denise Gittoes on **02 8644 0120**

## ADVENT WORSHIP

Sunday 1, 8, 15, 22 December  
9.30AM & 11AM

## CHRISTMAS DAY WORSHIP

Wednesday 25 December  
9.30AM

## CHRISTMAS 2019

PARRAMATTA SALVATION ARMY:  
60 GOOD STREET, GRANVILLE



# the journey

If you would like to give to the kingdom building activities in and through our Corps by transfer please use the following details: **BSB 032078; Account No. 000810288; Account Name - The Salvation Army, Parramatta.** Please include an applicable reference on the transfer so we can accurately record the gift.

If you would like to receive the newsletter by email please send your details to [parramatta.corps@gmail.com](mailto:parramatta.corps@gmail.com)



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