

PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 19 JANUARY 2020

Parramatta Salvation Army



BUSHFIRES LATEST

The ongoing bushfire emergency that has ravaged much of Australia has united the global community in both shock and despair. As many communities remain on high alert, many more are facing the heartbreak of what has been lost. This is a true national disaster. The severity and size of the fires we are experiencing is unprecedented.

We acknowledge the hurt that so many Australians are experiencing and are here for the long haul to assist all those affected by these devastating fires. But in times of crisis the world comes together. It is heart-warming to see so many within Australia and around the globe giving so generously. Thank you!

Your support makes it possible for us to remain on the ground and active where we're needed most. As the disaster continues, we are here to give immediate relief and support to firefighters, emergency workers, evacuees and communities by providing meals, bedding, care packs and cash grants. Salvation Army Emergency Services (SAES) teams are currently active at multiple sites across the country assisting thousands of people each day.

But the road to recovery is a long one, as those affected seek to rebuild their homes and lives. The Salvation Army is unique in its response to disaster relief, recognising that there is no quick fix after a disaster. It takes time for individuals and communities to heal, and we are best placed to journey with them through such difficult times.

There every step of the way, we provide financial and material support, advice and assistance for as long as it takes to make a full recovery. The Salvation Army offers a range of services and assistance measures to help people who have been impacted by bushfires including:

- Financial assistance
- Emotional wellbeing and support services
- Information, referrals and advice.

For enquiries, The Salvation Army Disasters Assistance team can be contacted by emailing sal.disasters@salvationarmy.org.au or by calling 1300 662 217.

CORPSNEWS

WORSHIP IN JANUARY

Worship at Granville will be at 9.30am until the end of January. Worship at 11am, as well as 9.30am, will recommence on Sunday 2 February.

INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

We are excited to introduce a Ministry Internship program at Parramatta Corps. This program creates a framework for developing ministry skills and raising up leaders. There are multiple tiers available depending on what level of engagement each intern wishes to be involved. A number of different ministry opportunities are included as well as the potential for new initiatives. Although there are no age restrictions to this program our focus will be on the younger generations and how we create a pathway for greater ministry involvement.

If you are interested in learning more about this program or would like to apply please see Sharon or Grant. We are praying that this program will create new ways to enlist and engage followers of Jesus for ministry in the Parramatta and western Sydney mission field.

NEWSLETTER EMAIL LIST

During January we will be tidying up the Newsletter distribution list and deleting email addresses that are longer used or for those who no longer attend the Corps. If you find that you are not receiving the newsletter anymore and would like to, please contact karen.stewart@salvationarmy.org.au.

SUNDAY MORNING ROSTER

Would you like to be part of the welcoming team on a Sunday morning You would be required to greet people and help them to their seats. Please see Jan Roberts if you can help out.

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

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PRAYERPOINTS



Brit West and Sam Morton will be married on Friday 17 January. We praise God for their love and pray His blessing on their marriage.



Please continue to pray for all those affected by the devastating fires in Victoria and NSW and for those on the ground fighting the fires and providing help and support. We give thanks for the wonderful generosity of so many people within Australia and around the world.



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



Praying for the safety of those travelling during the school holiday period.



*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.*

COMINGEVENTS

24-26 JANUARY: YA RETREAT

SUNDAY 9 FEBRUARY: PICNIC IN THE PARK

