

PARRAMATTERS

SUNDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2020: ADVENT 1

Parramatta Salvation Army



ISAIAH 9:2, 6-7 PSALM 122; ISAIAH 2:2-5; ROMANS 13:11-14

ADVENT DEVOTIONAL

Please pick up a copy of our corps Advent Devotional booklet today to use throughout the month of December. Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Advent Devotional.

Junior Soldiers Renewal Sunday

Welcome to the family of Bronte Lloyd who have come to witness Bronte becoming a Junior Soldier. We look forward to the Junior Soldiers leading us in 9.30am worship and also speaking in 11.30am worship today, and in the coming weeks.



PRAYERPOINTS

Praying for our Junior Soldiers this morning on their Renewal Sunday. Especially for Bronte Lloyd as she is enrolled as a Junior Soldier.



Please remember those in our corps community who are facing health challenges and need our prayerful support. For those who are going through treatment or recovering from surgery or managing ongoing health challenges.



Praying for our Christmas Cheer project as it begins. Praying for the families we will be able to bless through this project.



We are thanking God that our mid-week ministries (Playgroup, Ladies Fellowship, English Conversation Groups) were able to meet together again this week.



If there is someone or something you would like us to pray for please contact the office by Tuesday for it to be included in the newsletter.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT & OFFICIAL OPENING

OFFICIAL OPENING CEREMONY: DECEMBER 12 @10.30AM

This will be great weekend, however, because of COVID restrictions the official plaque unveiling and ribbon cutting will be invitation only. It will be live streamed though, so you won't miss out. And you'll be able to meet the Donaldson's later that day at our Christmas concert and on Sunday. Please go online to register for the 4pm or 7pm Christmas Concert or contact the office for help to book in.

At each of our Christmas Concerts on Saturday 12 December, we will be taking up a 'gift card' offering. We would love everyone to consider contributing to our Christmas Cheer efforts but buying a gift card (or multiple) worth \$20 or \$30 appropriate for teenagers. Some suggestions include JB Hi Fi, Cotton On, Ultimate Teen, EB Games, Mecca or Westfield vouchers.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

CONNECT SITE

We have relocated to Level 1 and would like to start serving tea and coffee to our clients and community visitors in a COVID safe way. We will need volunteers to help meet, serve and clear up Café 426. If you can spare three hours on a weekday (not Friday) please let Selome know.

CHRISTMAS CHEER

If you can help with our Christmas Cheer project this year please see Sarah Walker. We are starting to take donations and will need help in a number of areas so everything is ready for distribution from Tuesday 15 to Thursday 17 December. Thank you!

CADET SARAH'S COMMISSIONING COMING SOON!

Eva Burrows College invites all Salvationists and friends to participate by joining online on Saturday 5 December at 7pm (AEDT) where they can view the Ordination, Commissioning and Sending Out of the *Messengers of Grace* in a film created by Salvo Studios to mark the occasion. *The YouTube link for the Premiere will be posted here on 5 December 2020.* <https://evaburrowscollege.edu.au/resources/whats-on/2020/12/05/messengers-of-grace-commissioning>

THANK YOU

Thank you to everyone who has so lovingly reached over these past few months. Your beautiful cards, texts, messages and telephone calls have meant so much to us and have really lifted our spirits. Fred remains extremely unwell and is virtually confined to bed. I am on the mend from the broken hip, but still have a way to go to full recovery. Sadly, I am soon to have eye surgery as I have lost most of the vision in my left eye. Despite these trials our faith remains firm and we are trusting for a good outcome. May you always be aware of God's loving presence.

Sincerely, Jean Fouracre



WHERE: 426 Church Street, Parramatta Salvos

7PM



WHEN: FRIDAY
18th December

REGISTER ONLINE

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. 0810288; 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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