



Central Vic Salvos

20th April 2025



On a long drive back from Melbourne last Sunday I began to have vague memories of a song from a couple of decades ago, that was a favourite when I worked at St Hilary's Anglican Church Kew. Just one phrase 'The Cross has said it all' kept coming back...in the end I had to pull over and search it up on spotify and I listened to as many versions of it as I could find for the rest of the journey home. It's a great song – look it up and imagine me leading the actions with 100 kids 'how high how wide how deep', arms going up and down over and over.

Much as I love this song, I'm glad that technically, the cross isn't the last word. We have another more powerful and enduring word. Resurrection.

For a lot of Christians, the cross has become the central icon. But for many many years in the first centuries of Christianity, the cross was not the focus of the community.

Crosses were hideous, violent, traumatic, oppressive realities that lined roads into major cities across the Roman empire, a grotesque spectacle as an example to the public of what happens if you are get the wrong side of Roman rule.

Although the early believers knew the circumstances of Jesus' death and it provoked and provided plenty of pause for reflection and meaning, the cross is not what defined their faith.

Resurrection! Jesus has been raised. That was the centre of life. Thousands of people were crucified... no big news there. But only Jesus has Risen. This is what captivated, inspired, defined and fuelled their faith. Resurrection was good news.

An open empty grave is a beautiful symbol that invites our curiosity, our imagination, our wonder, and it calls us to possibility and opportunity.

Sometimes we get a bit fixated on the cross; aware of our sin and the suffering and injustice in the world. We picture Jesus nailed to the cross, and we leave him there in our minds. And we get stuck as a community, ruminating on our own failings as disciples.

How transformative it is to remember that we are people of the resurrection. That the grave is empty; empty of its fear and its power; and that Jesus is alive upon aliveness calling us to share in his risen life and love and power. That's something to really make us throw our arms up in celebration.

Beth Waldron Anstice (Castlemaine)





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During the school holidays the CVS leaders took 3 kids to "Connect Camp 24". This camp is aimed to support those who either cannot afford to go on camp due financial issues or have never been on a camp before hand. Spending 3 days giving these kids the opportunity to explore and learn from each other these kids got to have fun racing around the river in canoes, getting wet in raft making, kicking up the dust Mountain biking and learning to over come challenge's with skateboarding. Making new friends and most of all exploring who God is to me and how do I grow my faith in my own way. With lots of sleepless nights and laughs we all grew just that bit more ready for the next fun adventure God has for us.



Palm Sunday Significant Walk for Refugee

Bendigo Corps
walking
for refugees
last Sunday





Central Vic Salvos



All CVS Invited

CENTRAL VIC SALVOS SUNDAY
Sunday May 4th | Eaglehawk 10.00am



With special guest

Commissioner Miriam Gluyas

Worship followed with a Corps luncheon.

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!
- For Jesus' sacrifice

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.
- 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.

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."




CENTRAL VIC SALVOS TRIVIA NIGHT

Silent Auction
Raising funds for the Women's Ministry in Bendigo

Dress in any theme Whether it's 80s vibes, movie magic, or anything in between, show up in style and earn 5 extra points.

SAT 26 APRIL

Start at 6:00PM
Doors open at 5:30PM

A food stall will be available or BYO food/snacks/drinks
Bendigo Salvos | Worship Centre - Mundy Street, Bendigo Gate 1



Colonel Kelvin Merrett
Divisional Commander, VIC
invites you to join us at the official

RED SHIELD APPEAL

GREATER BENDIGO LAUNCH

8 May 2025 | 11am - 12 noon

Community Garden
Bendigo Salvation Army
65-71 Mundy Street Bendigo VIC 3550

Light lunch & refreshments
will be served

RSVP

By: Friday 2 May 2025

To: Ashir.Morris@salvationarmy.org.au | 0408 746 144 or
Karen.Armstrong@salvationarmy.org.au | 0401 402 275

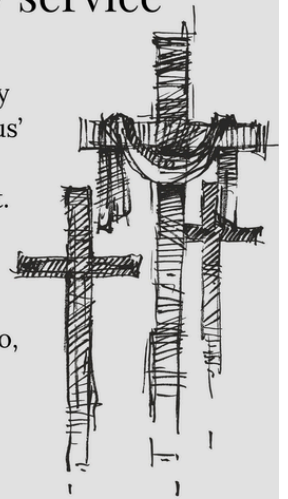
Good Friday service

Join us for our Good Friday service, as we look into Jesus' crucifixion and what was happening in that moment.

Friday 18th April
10:00am-11:20am
The Salvation Army Bendigo,
65-71 Mundy St.
Worship centre, gate 1.



Bendigo



Public Holidays

There will be no
showers, no
community meals or
no laundry services
on the following
dates April 18, 21 and
25



Saturday April 19, 7pm

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY TORCHLIGHT PROCESSION

Meet at QEO Carpark at 6.00pm. Anyone from CVS can join in

Parade Commences at 7.00pm This is a great chance to be a witness to the wider community of the true reason for Easter To sign up to be part of the parade please email ashir.morris@salvationarmy.org.au or call 0408 746 144



Easter 2025

The Salvation Army Eaglehawk
51 Church St, Eaglehawk



Friday 18 April	9.00am St Peter's Anglican Church 11.00am Lunch Eaglehawk Salvos Evening Way of the Cross: Rosalind Park	Good Friday
Sunday 20 April	7.00am Sunrise Service Lake Neangar Amphitheatre 10.00am Worship	Resurrection Sunday



RED SUNDAY

SUNDAY 18 MAY

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

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Daniel will be leading this group.

MAY IS RED SHIELD MONTH

The City of Great Bendigo Salvos are coming together to go out into the community and collect for the Red Shield Appeal. Soon the collecting venues with dates and times will be available for your support which is urgently needed. Be the hope someone needs.



EXPLORING THE SALVATION ARMY

Who are we? What do we believe? What do we do? Exploring The Salvation Army is designed to provide people with an overview of the Army – our history, our military structures, significant symbols, and scope of our ministry and work in the community.

Topics include:

- History & beginnings in Australia
- Our structures & terminology
- Worship, beliefs & practices

If you are interested in discovering Soldiership or Adherency please make contact with Major Karen. Classes will be commencing after Easter.

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.



Maryborough

Easter Services

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18
Good Friday Service 10am

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20
Combined Churches Dawn Service
(approx. start 6am) at Bristol Hill

Easter Celebration 10.00am

27 Wills Street Maryborough

Come AND See

NOON PRAYER
Starting 24th April

Thursday's @ 12pm
27 Wills Street
Maryborough

Everyone welcome
Please join us as we spend
time in prayer as a church

For more information
Please contact Liz Conway – 0487 921 857



Castlemaine

DIARY DATES

Good Friday and Anzac Day - Doorways closed

Monday April 28 – Playgroup 10am

Sunday May 4 – Pancake and Waffle church

Easter Services

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18
9.30am: Good Friday Service
11.00am: Castlemaine Way of the Cross Walk
Gather at St Mary's 78 Hargraves Street
or catch the bus at 10:45 from Kennedy St Hall.
Let Beth know if you are intending to catch the bus.
Finishes with Hot Cross Buns at St Mary's.
12.30pm: Fish and Chips Lunch at the Hall
Suggested Donation \$10. Let Vicki know if you are coming

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20
10.00am: Botanical Gardens Open Air Celebration
Easter Egg Hunt; hot cross buns and coffee

47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine

Castlemaine Salvos Playgroup

Starting Term 2
Monday April 28 2025



10:00-11:30am

**47 Kennedy Street
Castlemaine**

Free play
Indoor/outdoor
Playground
Nature play
Sand play
Craft
Song and Story time

- Cuppa and cake for adult carers
- Fruit snack for kids



Gold Coin donation



Castlemaine Salvos Playgroup runs as a general community playgroup with leaders and is open to pre-primary aged children with an adult and family member or carer. Families of all shapes and flavours and faiths and philosophies are welcome.

Register or enquire
Vicki 0418138435



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

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

3.00 to 5.00pm - Free Showers

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-1.30pm - Free Showers

4.00pm - Discovery Church

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

FRIDAY

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

CASTLEMAINE

WEDNESDAY

10.00am - Playgroup

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

FRIDAY

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

EAGLEHAWK

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

TUESDAY

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



Contact Us

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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.

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