



# Central Vic Salvos

25th February 2024

Matthew 6:21–23 is a profound passage from the Bible, found in the Gospel of Matthew, where Jesus imparts invaluable teachings about the nature of the human heart and the significance of one's focus and priorities in life. This passage is part of the Sermon on the Mount, a collection of Jesus' teachings that address various aspects of human conduct and spirituality.

The verse begins with the powerful statement, "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21, NIV). This declaration encapsulates a fundamental truth about human nature—that our hearts and affections are closely tied to what we value and prioritize. Jesus is encouraging his followers to evaluate where they invest their time, energy, and resources because these choices ultimately shape the condition of their hearts.

In a materialistic world, where accumulating wealth and possessions often takes precedence, Jesus challenges believers to reevaluate their priorities. He implies that if one's primary focus is on amassing earthly treasures, their heart will be entangled in the transient and temporary. Instead, he urges them to seek treasures in heaven, which are lasting and incorruptible. This shift in perspective suggests a spiritual wealth that transcends the material, emphasizing virtues such as love, compassion, and generosity.

The subsequent verses, Matthew 6:22–23, delve deeper into the analogy of the eye as the lamp of the body. Jesus asserts that if one's eye is healthy or single, the whole body will be filled with light. On the contrary, if the eye is unhealthy or divided, the body will be filled with darkness. This metaphorical language speaks to the clarity of one's spiritual vision and the singularity of purpose.

The eye symbolizes the way individuals perceive and interpret the world around them. A healthy eye signifies a clear and focused perspective, emphasizing the importance of spiritual insight and understanding. Conversely, an unhealthy or divided eye reflects a distorted worldview, clouded by distractions and conflicting priorities.

In essence, these verses highlight the interconnectedness of one's inner disposition and external actions. They prompt individuals to consider the alignment of their values, intentions, and actions with spiritual principles. By urging followers to prioritize heavenly treasures and maintain a single-minded focus on God's kingdom, Jesus encourages a holistic approach to life—one that nurtures a virtuous heart and radiates spiritual light to the world.

Blessings,  
Captain Ronald Stobie



# Spotlight On The Central Vic Salvos

## SPLASH NIGHT


Central Vic Salvos had 36 young people who went to the youth divisional event VIC Summer Party 2024 where our young people spent most of the day at Victorias largest water park, Adventure Park Geelong. Going on all the rides such as the Tsunami "Victorias only triple-funnel water slide" and various other rides and activates.

Our young people then spent their late afternoon eating up pizza at South Barwon Salvos, catching up with friends from other corps events and joining in the worship lead by Scott Keane (Youth & Young Adults Secretary – VIC). Scott talked about this year's theme "No longer Lost" which means that through the love of God we don't have to feel like we can't belong together or feel like God doesn't look for me. Our young people also got to hear from 2 special guests Rosy Keane and Claire Castley who shared their personal stories of how they were once lost, and God found them. The night then led to giving all the young people who attended a chance to speak up and share their own stories which 3 of the young people from Central Vic Salvos shared how God is impacting them in their lives. All up our young people enjoyed the day out as a whole and look forward to the next Divisional youth event to come.





# Central Vic Salvos



A YEAR OF \_\_\_\_\_  
**PRAYER**  
 \_\_\_\_\_ WEEK NINETEEN \_\_\_\_\_

Psalm 136:1-3  
 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.  
 His love endures forever. Give thanks to the  
 God of gods. His love endures forever.  
 Give thanks to the Lord of lords:  
 His love endures forever.

CENTRAL VIC SALVOS MONTHLY

*Prayer & Worship Night*

5-6pm  
**Sunday 25th February 2024**  
 Eaglehawk Corps  
 51 Church St, Eaglehawk

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



Melbourne Staff Band presents *Featuring*

*Symphonic SOUNDS 2024*

ROYAL AUSTRALIAN NAVY BAND MELBOURNE  
 Lieutenant Daniel McIvride

MELBOURNE STAFF BAND  
 Bandmaster Ken Waterworth

Saturday 2nd March 2024 at 4.00pm

Salvation Army Waverley Temple  
 95B High Street Road, Glen Waverley

Tickets - Adults \$20 / Children U16 \$5  
 Available from [www.salvationarmy.org.au/msb](http://www.salvationarmy.org.au/msb)



  
 Central Vic Salvos

**NOW HIRING**

**FAMILY MINISTRY ASSISTANT**

We are seeking a dedicated **Family Ministry Assistant!** You will be part of a team, responsible for supporting the Families Ministry Coordinator in the delivery of the mission of Central Vic Salvos (with sites covering Bendigo, Castlemaine, Eaglehawk & Maryborough) through development and facilitation of youth, children's and young adults ministry.



**"It is written," he said to them "My house will be called a house of prayer" Matt 21:13**

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise" James 5:13

**Please pray for:**

- For people to start following Jesus as their Lord and Saviour
- This week we are praying for the Northern Territory. This includes Darwin, Katherine, Palmerston and Alice Springs. The Area Officer responsible for leading mission in this area is Major Kaye Viney.
- Those who are unwell - physically, emotionally, spiritually, mentally
- For all the corps, programs & services in Central Vic Salvos - Bendigo, Castlemaine, Eaglehawk, Maryborough, Avoca and St. Arnaud.
- Our leaders - National, State, Local (Government, Community & Salvo)
- CVS programs & services

**Praise God for:**

- Answers to prayer
- People making decisions to follow Jesus!
- New faces joining our various CVS programs & services
- For His Holy Spirit





# Bendigo

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

# GRAND OPENING

Tuesday 27th February 2024



**10AM TO 4PM**

Ground Floor 18 Pall Mall, Bendigo Vic 3550

OPEN HOURS  
9:30am - 4pm  
Tuesday - Saturday



Bendigo CBD THRIFT SHOP

## Bendigo Banking Details

Account Name: The Salvation Army  
BSB: 033-688 Number: 811 119

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

**THURSDAY**  
11.15am - Chapel  
12.00pm - Community Meal

**SUNDAY**  
10.00am - Celebration Service

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo  
\*School terms only

**BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP**  
2B Thistle Street, Golden Square  
Ph: 03 5441 7608

**Open Hours:**  
9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday  
9am-2pm Saturday

## BENDIGO EASTER FESTIVAL

MARCH 29 - APRIL 7

**SAVE THE DATE**  
Saturday March 30  
Torchlight Parade

## COMMUNITY MEAL

Thursdays 12:00pm-1:00pm  
Hilltop Café  
65-71 Mundy St  
The Salvation Army Bendigo




Bendigo

## CHAPEL SERVICE

Join us for a half hour chapel service where we discover how the bible relates to us now. A relaxed discussion and fellowship time.

Thursdays, 11:15am  
Worship centre, Bendigo Salvo's




Bendigo



# Eaglehawk

## COMING SOON TO EAGLEHAWK

Are you interested in craft?



Would you like to learn how to knit?

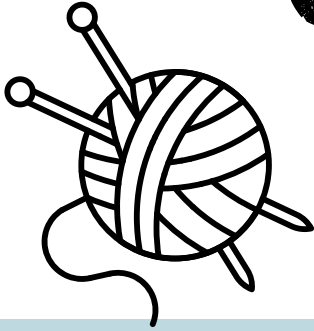
Are you a creative person?

A Craft group will soon be commencing.

Please register your interest contact

Major Karen

# CRAFT



### Eaglehawk Banking Details

Account Name: The Salvation Army

BSB: 033-688 Number: 803 234

### WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

#### SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

#### Thursday

4:30 pm - Prayer meeting

Contact Pauline and Eddie Anderson

0427 812 866

#### Friday

1.30pm - Bible Study (fortnightly)  
commencing 23 February

51 Church St, Eaglehawk  
\*School terms only

### EAGLEHAWK THRIFT SHOP

4 Marong Rd, Ironbark

Ph: 03 5446 7928

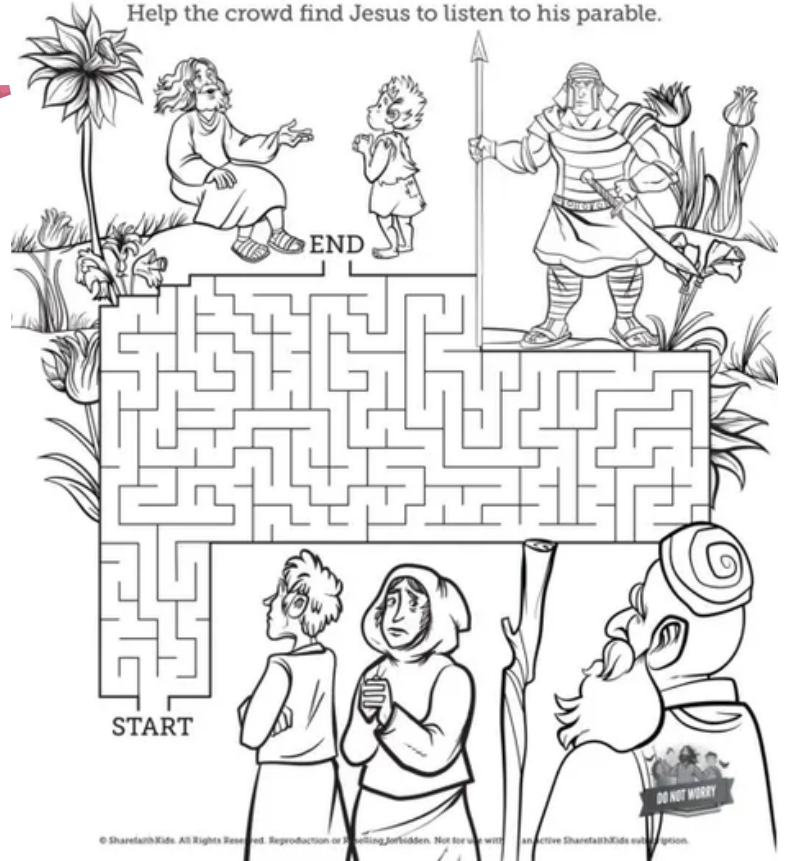
#### Open Hours:

9:30am-5pm Monday to Friday

9:30am-4pm Saturday

## DO NOT WORRY

Help the crowd find Jesus to listen to his parable.



## OPEN DAY

Thursday 11 April

10am - 6pm

We are going to invite service group, community groups, people from the community. This will be an opportunity to showcase Eaglehawk Salvo's and for people to come and meet the new Corps Officer.



# Castlemaine

## MAINE MINIS PLAYGROUP

Maine Minis Playgroup is Back on Monday mornings 9:30am-11am during school term.

Come along and sing, dance and play.

If you would like to volunteer please see Sharna.

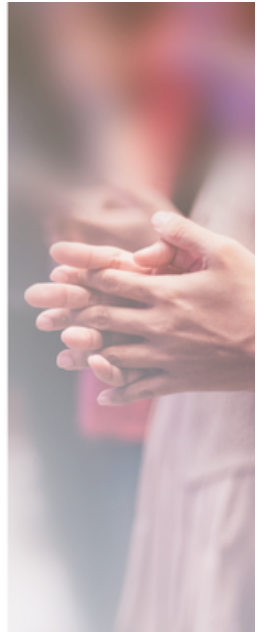
## CAFE CHURCH

SUNDAY MARCH 3 AT 10:30

JOIN US AS WE SHARE  
FOOD, FUN AND FAITH  
TOGETHER!  
BRING THE FAMILY!



Castlemaine



**CASTLEMAINE SALVO'S  
MAINE MINIS  
PLAYGROUP**

**MONDAYS  
9:30AM - 11:00AM**

Babies to preschool  
\*during school term

**\$1 PER MINI  
BRING SOME FRUIT  
TO SHARE.**

**THE SALVATION ARMY**  
Castlemaine

**THE SALVATION ARMY, 47 KENNEDY ST, CASTLEMAINE.  
CONTACT: SHARNA 0499 195 899**

## CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine

Ph: 03 5470 5636

### Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday

10am-3pm Saturday

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### MONDAY

9:30am - 11:00am Maine Minis

3:45pm - 5:00pm Just Brass

### Wednesday

9:30am - 12:30pm Doorways

3:45pm - 5:00pm Junior Soldiers

### Friday

9:30am - 12:30pm Doorways

### Sunday

10:15am - Band Rehearsal

10:30am - Worship service

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

\*School terms only



# Maryborough

## WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

### MONDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways  
10:30am - Women's Bible Study\*

### WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways

### THURSDAY

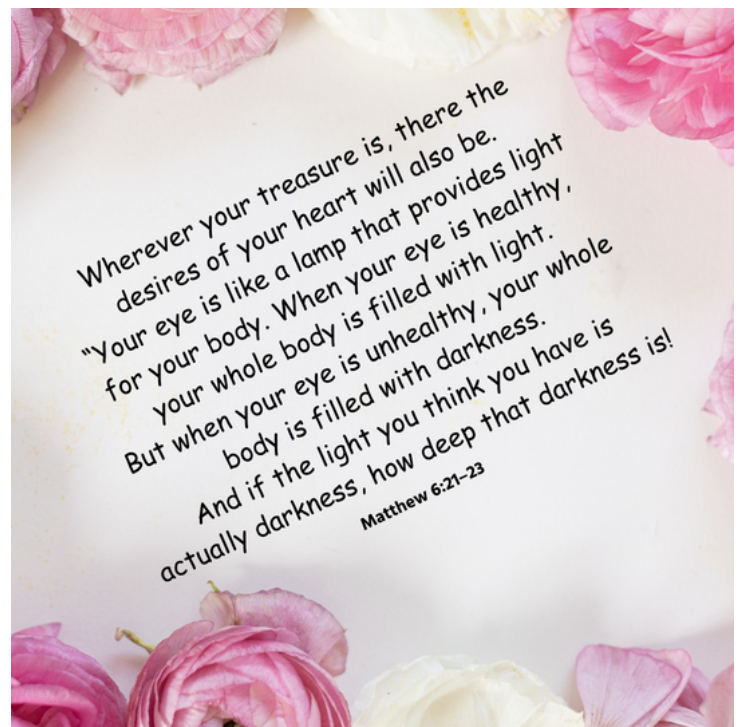
9:30am - Mainly Babies (0-2years)\*  
10:30am - Mainly Music (0-5years)\*  
2.00pm - Indoor Bowls  
4.00pm - Kids Club (Primary school)\*  
5:15pm - Junior Soldiers\*

### FRIDAY

9:30am to 1.30pm - Doorways  
5.00pm - Youth Life Group (High school)\*  
6.00pm - Youth (High school)\*

### SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting  
10.00am - Celebration Service  
(Pancake church 1st sunday, Bible Discussion  
and corps lunch 3rd Sunday)  
\*School terms only




## 2 WAYS TO GIVE



**IN PERSON**  
TITHING ENVELOPES  
CASH OR CHEQUE



**ONLINE**  
BSB: 033-241  
ACCOUNT: 00-0010

### 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



# Contact Us

## THE SALVATION ARMY CENTRAL VIC SALVOS

### BENDIGO

**Corps Officers:** Maj. Andrew Walker  
Capt. Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir  
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corpsofficer.bendigo@salvationarmy.org.au

### CASTLEMAINE

**Corps Officer:** Capt. Amy Jones  
47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine | 03 5470 5389  
corpsofficer.castlemaine@salvationarmy.org.au

### EAGLEHAWK

**Corps Contact:** Maj. Karen Armstrong  
51 Church Street, Eaglehawk | (03) 5446 8135  
corpsofficer.eaglehawk@salvationarmy.org.au

### MARYBOROUGH

**Corps Officers:** Capt. Amy & Ronald Stobie  
27 Wills St, Maryborough | 03 5459 0500  
corpsofficer.maryborough@salvationarmy.org.au



# 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.