

Central Vic Salvos

10th August 2025

As I arrive within 2 years of retirement I take time to reflect on my life and especially those years of serving God through ministry. From years of Corps Ministry to Officership 13 years (Last 4 years as Prison Chaplain), then as employed Prison Chaplain for the last 15 years.

One of the things that happens for guys in prison is that when they are serving their sentence they are doing just that, however when they reach their earliest release date (when they are eligible for parole) there is a mind shift. There is that thought process that I do not need to be here. 12 months before that earliest date they can make application for parole. Then it is a waiting game. Parole board looks at so many elements in consideration, housing, risks, change in behavior, courses done. Part of my role in the prison is that we offer a program called Postive Lifestyle this is a seven week program that helps guys examine things such as Stress, Self Esteem, Anger, Grief, Assertiveness, Conflict Resolution. This is a program of choice rather than one that is assigned for them to do by corrections. It has a huge success rate as guys examine a better way to live. Some of the comments in the evaluation at the end of the program are "it helped me to find skills to better navigate life", "first time is six years being in prison that I have has a mirror held up on my life" "Best course I have ever done" So as I have a mind shift as I head towards retirement (besides the obvious one of getting older) I too stop and reflect on what I have learnt over the years and how that looks when my working life is done.

What will I do, what will change?

One thing that does not change is my relationship with God. The same God that has directed my journey all these years will continue to lead me. Proverbs 3:6 In all your ways acknowledge Him and He shall direct your paths.

As I reflect there are many things that I would have not chose to do including leading a Chinese congregation, working in a prison, working with many faith expressions and cultures, however in taking up the cross and following Christ that is where he lead me. I must say it has been the most satisfying journey of Christian experience. He has stretched me, challenged me, and taught me more and more to rely on Him.

I think of the chorus

"Just where he needs me my Lord has placed me, just where he needs me there I would be". I have had the privilege of seeing many come to faith in Jesus, life changing faith. Through it all GOD HAS BEEN FAITHFUL. I trust Him for what is to come.

Mark Wagland - Prison Chaplain



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To purchase any uniform items you need to use the online ordering or at times there will be physical pop up stores. To provide Soldiers with access to the new purchasing platform, we require the information requested in the form linked in the QR code or

https://www.salvosonline.org.au/uniformorders









Location: Salvation Army L2P Program

Contact: 5440 8410

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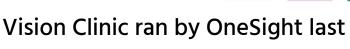
Where? Bendigo, Macedon Rangers, Maryborough and Surrounds.















Rego's Close 1st **September**





Save The Date



Sunday 12th October 2025

Hyatt Place Event Centre (1 English Street, Essendon Fields Victoria 3041)

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- Please Praise God for:- HIS NAME (Psalm 115:1 'Not to us, O LORD, not to us, but to Your Name be the glory.....')
- Praise God for:- HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS (Psalm 35:28 'My tongue will speak of Your righteousness and of your praises all day long'.)
- Praise God for:- HIS INFINITE CREATION (Psalm 150:2' Praise Him for His acts of power.....')
- Praise God for:- HIS WORD (Psalm 56:10 'In God, whose word I praise..')
- May you always begin your prayer in PRAISE of our God.

House of Prayer

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Our Congregations Bendigo, Castlemaine, Eaglehawk and Maryborough (Spiritual awareness, direction ,unity, forgiveness, patient endurance, grace and commitment.
- Our Communities in regards to domestic violence, to homelessness, depression, anxiety, fear......
- Our Country for our national leaders, may the laws of our land follow the commandments of our God.
- Our World for our persecuted brothers and sisters, for those countries in conflict, against hatred and violence, God's blessing, peace and protection on Israel.
- Our 'publications team', as they reflect on the work they do, their purpose and objectives, and how better they can work alongside us

Colossians 4:3-6

"Don't forget to pray for us, that God will open doors for telling the mystery of Christ. Pray that every time I open my mouth, I'll be able to make Christ plain as day to them. Use your heads as you live and work among outsiders. Make the most of every opportunity. Be gracious in your speech. The goal is to bring out the best in others in a conversation, not put them down, not cut them out."

THIS SUNDAY

Clans, Tribes, brothers and belonging: wear your tartan or your clan colours as we jump into the story of the tribes of the hills and valleys and think about how we find our belonging together. Brothers and sisters stoush and families fight, for sure, but we fight differently within families to the way strangers and nations fight. We organise ourselves differently in families than we do in nations and bureaucracies. In this episode the clans begin to wonder if they should give up their local leadership and sign up for a king – nationalise and try to become a stronger force to compete with the empires around. How will that go? And what does God think of that as a strategy for strength and shalom for his people? Let's tartan up and see!

CASTLEMAINE DOORWAYS

looking for donations of light second hand market trolleys to assist community members.







DOORWAYS VOLUNTEER POSITION:

We are looking for capable volunteers to complement our team in the kitchen and in connecting with community - making coffee, preparing and serving morning tea, keeping on top of the dishes while offering positive welcoming hospitality to the community. volunteers need to be calm, compassionate, relating to community members in a trauma informed and healing supported approach. Naturally all of the volunteer process (including WWCC and police checks) apply. Speak to Beth if you know someone to recommend or wish to apply.





Free Indoor/Outdoor Play, Craft,
Singing, Music, Food Play, Reading,
Friends and Healthy Snack.
Something for everyone,
bring a gold coin donation and a piece of fruit.
From birth to school age.
Contact Vicki 0418 138 435
*during school terms

SUNDAYS IN AUGUST

August 10 Area co-ordinator Fleur Hodge will join our morning meeting and share in lunch afterwards. Bring something to Share. **August 17** Junior Soldiers Lunch







MAJOR KAREN ON FURLOUGH

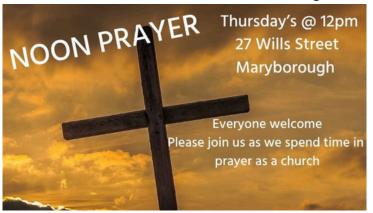
Wednesday 30th July - Wednesday 20 August Sunday worship will be covered by the following people:

Sunday 17 August - Darren Dunn please support them through prayer and your availability.



Monday 1 September to Sunday 7 September
We have signed up for 24 / 7 Global Week of prayer movement. Each morning at 9am you are encouraged to come along and prayer for our world. We are meeting for the hour. Morning tea will be supplied at the end. Morning before worship we will come together and celebrate and look forward to hearing what God does and says. God is going to work so powerfully. Invite your friends to come along.

Maryborough





Bring a plate of food to share with everyone for a Corps lunch after Worship on the 3rd Sunday of the Month





Chapel Service

Come along for our Chapel service. A relaxed service where we celebrate God and who he created us to be.

Every Thursday 11:15am-11:45am Worship centre, enter via back gate





FREE HAIR CUTS

Come down to the Worship Centre and revamp your look with quality hair cuts by the talented stylist from Hair Aid,

every 6 weeks from 11.30am - 2.30pm

August 28th

DROP IN SPACE

Drop in for a coffee and chat every
Thursday from 3.00pm - 5.00pm
Worship Centre
Bendigo Salvos 65-71 Mundy Street



Stop by the big orange box next to the Worship Centre and have a chat with our friendly volunteers while you wash your clothes

Monday: 1.00pm - 3.00pm

Thursday: 10.30am - 1.00pm

please arrive 45 minutes before closing to allow enough time for your clothes to dry

Territorial Leader's visit to Bendigo

Join us for worship and fellowship with The Salvation Army's Territorial Leader,

Commissioner Miriam Gluyas



Sunday 17th August 2025 10am worship centre enter via gate 1 65-71 Mundy st



Bendigo

Lynn and Darren's daughter is being dedicated on the 17th of August, if anyone wants to come to support.

BENDIGO ART SPACE

A free, relaxed drop-in art space.
Inspired by starting afresh and
discovering how the Master Creator can
do something new within us.
Come, be inspired and create with us!

MONDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM
THURSDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM
IN SHELTER SHED (OPPOSITE CAFÉ)

SHOWERS

Showers are available on the following days - toiletries are provided

Monday: 12.30pm - 3.30pm Tuesdays: 12.30pm - 3.30pm Thursdays: 9.30am - 12.30pm Friday: 9.30am - 12.30pm Sunday: 11.30am - 12.30pm

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

BENDIGO

MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal 1.00pm - Art Space 12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers 12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

TUESDAY

12.30pm to 3.00pm - Free Showers

THURSDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers 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 6.00 to 7.15pm - Zac's Place 12.00 to 2.00pm - Free Hair cuts (see Hair Aid poster)

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm - Free Showers

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service 11.30am-12.30pm - Free Showers 4.00pm - Discovery Church

CASTLEMAINE

MONDAY

10.00am - Playgroup*

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways 10:30am - Women's Fellowship

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways

THURSDAY

9.30am - Playgroup * 12.00pm - Noon Prayer 2.00pm - Bowls 4.00pm - Kids Club *

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Doorways 5.00pm - Faith Chats * 6.00pm - Youth Group *

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting 10.00am - Celebration Service (All Age Worship 1st, Corps Lunch 3rd Sunday) 12.00pm - Junior Soldiers (3rd Sunday)

EAGLEHAWK

TUESDAYS

3:35 to 5pm - Choir Practice.

THURSDAY

1.30pm - Crafty Skills Community 1.30pm - Band Practice* 3.00pm - Bible Study * 4:30 pm - Prayer Meeting - Hall

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays 10.00am - Celebration Service

*not on during school Holidays

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

27 Wills St, Maryborough

51 Church St, Eaglehawk

THE SALVATION ARMY CENTRAL VIC SALVOS

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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 <u>03 8873 5288</u>.

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.