



Central Vic Salvos

7th September 2025

A FATHER'S LOVE BEYOND COMPARE

Father's Day is a time to pause, reflect, and give thanks for the men in our lives who have loved, guided, and nurtured us. For some, it is a day filled with warm memories of fathers who were present, caring, and strong. For others, it may be a bittersweet day, marked by absence, loss, or difficult relationships. Yet in every circumstance, Father's Day invites us to look to the one Father whose love is perfect and unchanging, our Father in Heaven.

In the Lord's Prayer, Jesus taught us to begin with the words: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name" (Matthew 6:9). With this opening line, Jesus reminded us that God is not distant or unreachable. Instead, He is our Father personal, loving, and attentive to the needs of His children. Unlike earthly fathers who may stumble or fail, God the Father is constant in His care, patient in His discipline, and abundant in His mercy.

The Bible is filled with powerful images of God's fatherly heart. Psalm 103:13 tells us, "As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him." Here we are reminded that the tenderness of a loving father is only a reflection of the deeper compassion God has for His children. His love is not based on our performance, but on His nature. He is slow to anger, rich in love, and steadfast in His promises.

On Father's Day, we celebrate not only the fathers and father figures in our families and communities, but also the character of God the Father, who sets the ultimate example of fatherhood. He provides for us, protects us, guides us, and disciplines us in love so that we may grow into the people He created us to be.

For those who may feel the ache of missing or broken relationships on this day, the message of God's fatherhood is especially powerful. Psalm 68:5 proclaims that God is "a father to the fatherless, a defender of widows." In Him, no one is overlooked, and no one is abandoned. His love fills the gaps left by human frailty.

As members of The Salvation Army, we are called to reflect the heart of our Heavenly Father in our communities. We do this by offering care, compassion, and support to those in need. Just as God embraces us with unconditional love, we are invited to extend that love to others—becoming spiritual mothers and fathers to those who long to experience belonging and acceptance.

This Father's Day, as you celebrate or remember, take time to lift your heart in gratitude to God the Father. He is the source of all love, the example of all goodness, and the Father who never leaves nor forsakes us. May His love inspire us to honor the fathers in our lives and, above all, to live as His children, bringing glory to His name.

Captain Hummera Ashir

VICTORIA DIVISION -
DIVISIONAL GATHERING 2025

BE BOLD!

**SUNDAY, 12 OCTOBER
10.30AM AND 1.30PM**

**Hyatt Place Event
Centre, Essendon Fields**

Featuring the Salvo BigBand
and a special lunchtime concert

DON'T MISS IT - BE BOLD!

Join us for a powerful day
of worship, music, and
celebration - including
the affirmation of several
key leaders.

Register by 30 September
Adults: \$10
Children 16 and under: \$5
Children under 6: Free

Lunch included with registration
An Auslan-interpreted event

Scan QR code
to register



**BELIEVE
IN GOOD**

Seniors' Celebration

I'LL STAND FOR CHRIST

24 September, 2025

Featuring

The Red Shield Band
Guest Speaker Major Kim Haworth

Event - \$10 per person

Including hot lunch provided by
Salvation Army Emergency Services

The Itinerary

10:15am Entry and Morning Tea
11:00 Senior's Celebration
12:30 Lunch
1:30pm Red Shield Band Concert

Competition

Your artistic expression of the theme
'I'll Stand for Christ'.
e.g. painting, sculpture, poetry, photo etc.
Bring entry with you on the day.
Please email Major Allison what you are
bringing to allow space:

allison.footer@salvationarmy.org.au

Choir and Timbrel Brigade

If you would like to join the choir or
timbrel brigade please contact:
Timbrel: Annette - davies6@bigpond.net.au
Choir: Merryn - mssteel@netspace.net.au

Registrations

Close on 12 September
Registrations online or
through your leader



Hosted by Ringwood Corps
49/53 Wantirna Rd, Ringwood VIC 3134

CENTRAL VIC SALVOS MONTHLY

Prayer & Worship Night

**5-6pm
Sunday 28th September 2025**

Bendigo Corps
65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

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

WGC Uniforms

**SALVATION ARMY
GENERAL RANGE**

VISUAL RANGE PLAN

Available to all TSA personnel
(Officers, Soldiers, Employees, Volunteers)

To purchase any uniform items you need
to use the online ordering. 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/uniform-orders>



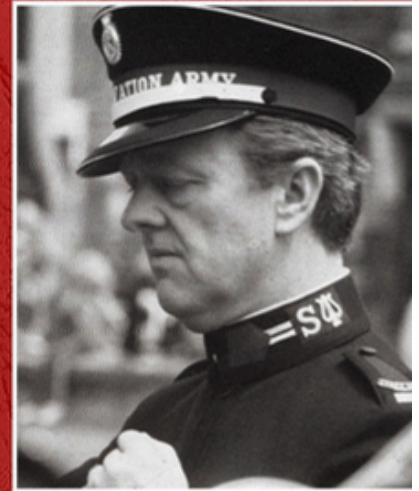
CELEBRATING COLIN WOODS 90TH BIRTHDAY CONCERT

SUNDAY 14th
SEPTEMBER 2025
AT 2:00PM

STEVEN ENGLISH
SOPRANO CORNET
KEN MCCLIMONT
TROMBONE
KEN WHITTAKER
CORNET
JONATHAN WOODS
TUBA
CAMBERWELL CITADEL BAND
JAMIE SMITH
MELBOURNE STAFF BAND
MARK HAMILTON

90

CAMBERWELL SALVATION ARMY
7 BOWEN STREET, CAMBERWELL



TO ALL DADS, GRANDPAS, UNCLES, BIG
BROTHERS, ALL OTHER MALE ROLE
MODELS AND MUM DAD'S OUT THERE....

YOU
Rock



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

GENERAL CHANGE

Appointments came out Thursday 4/9 with excitement we announce that Majors Robert and Vanessa Evans have been appointed to the Central Vic Salvos team. There is no date set for their arrival as yet. Please pray for Majors Robert and Vanessa as they get ready to move.

PRAYER/PRAISE POINTS:

If you have any you would like to share below please email centralvicsalvos@salvationarmy.org.au or let your Corps Officer know and they will pass it on



EAGLEHAWK CORPS

As we enter into the 24/7 week of global prayer.

1. A Call to Prayer for the Nations
2. A Call to Persistence
3. The Power of Prayer
4. Praying for New Life
5. God's Presence Goes with Us
6. Justice and Prayer
7. Empowered for Mission



CASTLEMAINE CORPS

1. Pray for 100 days til Christmas dinner - for connecting with families and showing our support and care in the lead up to Christmas and it's stresses
2. Pray for those grieving recent loss of loved ones in our community
3. Pray for Beth on leave, leading at Leaders to Go conference in Stanwell Tops, and for safe travels on the road.
4. Pray for our youngsters in the finals season in their chosen sports - for joy and grace and all the great lessons tough challenges teach us to be well learned.

FAMILIES TEAM

Youth and Children's Leaders as they get prepared for the upcoming camp in the school holidays



MARYBOROUGH CORPS

1. Tristan and the other youth leaders as they lead the youth program in our Corps.
2. For those who are leading the meetings and preaching during Bev and Paul's absence.
3. For new volunteers in our Food Pantry
4. For safe travels and return for Bev and Paul.
5. Our incoming Officers - that the transition from their current appointment will go smoothly.



Lord, You have promised us: "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Matthew 7:7). Today, we come before You asking, seeking, and knocking with faith. May Your will be done, and may Your Spirit guide us as we lift up these requests.

BENDIGO CORPS



Peter Camron: Please pray for healing and recovery, that God's hand of restoration will be upon him.

The Salvation Army Bendigo Site: Pray for God's protection over our buildings, that His angels may guard them from any harm or break-ins.

AOD Programme: Give thanks for the many people who have benefited through this ministry. Please continue to pray for God's kingdom to be evident among the 30+ staff and the many beneficiaries.

Junior Soldier Classes: As we begin a new Junior Soldier class, pray for God's guidance for the leaders and for the children, that they may follow Jesus and grow to be more like Him.

Spiritual Revival: Pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Bendigo and across the Central Victoria Salvos (CVS).

New CVS Leaders: Please uphold them in prayer as they step into their roles, seeking God's wisdom and strength.

Ellen: Pray for her healing and comfort during this time.

Leaders: Pray that all our leaders may be filled with a double portion of the Holy Spirit as they serve.

Father's Day: May God Bless all Fathers

Bendigo

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



Bendigo



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)



URDU, HINDI AND PUNJABI CHURCH SERVICE

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These are the dates for the rest of the year

13th September

27 September

11th October

25th October

22nd November

6th December

20th December

Followed by food and refreshments

THE SALVATION ARMY BENDIGO

WORSHIP CENTRE

65-71 MUNDY ST (GATE 1)



Bendigo



Major's Paul and Bev visit to The Salvation Army Bendigo



Bendigo

Showers

Our shower is open on the following days for anyone experiencing homelessness.

Monday: 12:00pm- 3:00pm
Tuesday: 12:00pm-3:00pm
Thursday 10:00am-1:00pm
Friday: 10:00am-1:00pm
Sunday: 11:30am-12:30pm

Bendigo Salvos
65-71 Mundy st
worship centre



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



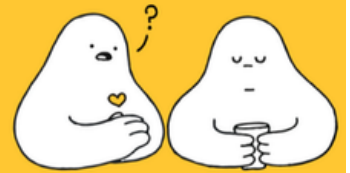
Stop by the big orange box next to the
Worship Centre and have a chat with our
friendly volunteers while you wash your
clothes

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

National day of action
11 September
2025



Ask
R U OK?
ANY DAY

**The 4 steps of an
R U OK? conversation**



Ask R U OK?

How are you
travelling?



Listen

I'm here to listen
if you want to
talk more.



**Encourage
action**

Have you spoken
to your doctor
about this?



Check in

Just wanted to
check in and see
how you're doing?

Learn more at ruok.org.au



**ARMY OF
VOLUNTEERS**

VOLUNTEER MENTORS NEEDED



Location: Salvation Army L2P Program

Contact: 5440 8410

Volunteer. Become an L2P Mentor!

Help young learner drivers be safer on our roads!

Over 21? Hold a current full Australia drivers license?

Scan the QR code below to find our more or contact us on
03 5440 8410



Where? Bendigo, Macedon Rangers, Maryborough and Surrounds.



Central Vic Salvos

Castlemaine

I'm pausing to acknowledge the great gift that it has been to have Paul and Bev Beeson as colleagues over the past 6 weeks.

An interim ministry role can be approached in different ways, and thinking about leadership in the context of temporary seasons helps all of us consider our contributions.

Our culture celebrates longevity, inducting people into a hall of fame or life time achievement awards.

And it is well established that sustained fruitful growth in churches correlates to leaders who have committed to a long term in one place.

However this norm can create the impression that to make a difference you have to become a permanent fixture.

But God is not limited to longevity and knows how to bring good things in all measures of seasons.

We have seen the blessing impact of Bev and Paul's short intentional season here.

As we came crawling out of Covid I pastored 4 different churches - two in the eastern suburbs of Melbourne, in Hobart and in Eaglehawk for varying lengths of time - 3 months, 4 months, 9 months, a year - but each one an intentional interim while waiting for their permanent minister to arrive. What could a church do missionally in three months?

In each place when I arrived we said 'God is not limited by waiting for a ministry appointment- or by how long you or I are here -so let's ask what the Spirit has for us to do right now, and then at least start doing it!

This is what Paul advised the early churches to do - they were expecting Jesus to return any minute - but he said 'don't let the waiting make you inactive - Now is the time!'

Some of what was planted was a quick shot in the arm of joy - a pop up singing group that did a couple of gigs outside our op shop justice songs. Other initiatives are still thriving years after I left - a spin off congregation that gathers around expressing God's call to celebrate and care for creation, called 'Something in Common'.

I know that parachuting in for a short time as the Beesons have comes with its own labour tax on the body, heart and mind, and we honour them for their servant hood in that gift to us.

For those of us here for the long haul, if we feel we are getting stuck can 'borrow' this idea. What if we were only here for three months waiting for another person to arrive? What if Jesus return was next Thursday?

All the more reason to be plucky and adventurous in the gospel. Now is always a great time for sharing good news, for addressing what's wrong, for repenting, for stepping forward in faith.

Thankyou to Paul and Bev for their great example and gift among us.

When you return in November we hope you'll find much more flourishing here already.

Beth Waldron Anstice

CASTLEMAINE DIARY

Sunday Sept 7 - 10am Pancake Church

Monday Sept 8 - Tuesday Sept 16 Beth on Leave

Sunday Sept 14 - 10:30 Fleur Hodge leading meeting

Sunday Sept 21 - Junior Soldiers Lunch



Artwork from praise and prayer night 31/08/2026

CASTLEMAINE DOORWAYS

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



Eaglehawk



HARVEST WEEKEND

October 25 & 26
With Major Mal Davies.
Saturday evening will be a games and a auction.
More details to come .

THE SALVATION ARMY
Eaglehawk

harvest

Spiritual Retreat



This event for Eaglehawk is happening.
Friday 21 - Monday 24 November 2025.
Cost \$100



This will allow each person to connect more with Jesus,
team building and so much more.

Camp Getaway has been booked in Axedale.
Please register your interest.

This includes your accommodation, all food and supplies.
You are welcomed to commence a payment, see Major Karen.
More details will be given once you have registered.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Friday 26 September at 10:30am
at The Red Trike Rabbit Cafe
Eaglehawk.



Maryborough



THE SALVATION ARMY
Maryborough

INDOOR - BOWLS

1.30PM EVERY THURSDAY
AT MARYBOROUGH SALVOS
27 WILLS ST, MARYBOROUGH

\$2 PER PERSON | NEW MEMBERS WELCOME



COMMUNITY MARKET DAYS

FRESH PRODUCE, BREAD AND OTHER ITEMS AS AVAILABLE

MON, WED & FRI 10AM-12PM

*excluding public holidays, while stocks last



THE SALVATION ARMY
Maryborough

SALVOS KIDS CLUB

A WEEKLY PROGRAM FOR
KIDS IN PREP - YEAR 6

4PM - 5:30PM THURSDAYS **\$2**

Games, Stories, Crafts, Songs and Lots of Fun!

@ MARYBOROUGH SALVOS
(27 WILLS ST, MARYBOROUGH)

For more information call 03 5459 0500



THE SALVATION ARMY

SALVOS YOUTH

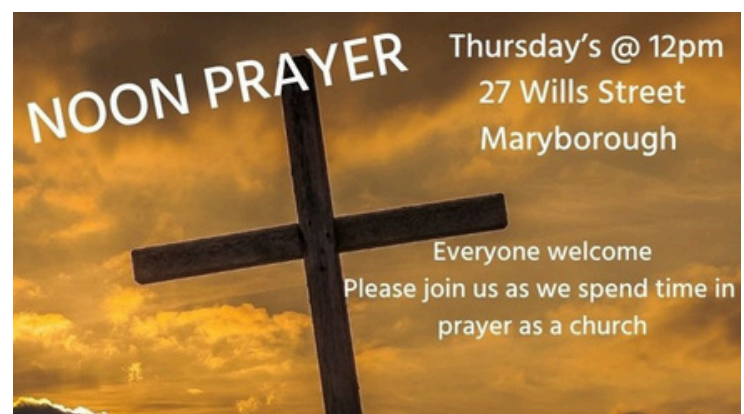
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MARYBOROUGH SALVOS
(27 WILLS ST, MARYBOROUGH VIC 3465)

HIGH SCHOOL AGED

WEEKLY - FRIDAYS 6-8:30PM

CANTEEN DINNER (MIN \$5)



NOON PRAYER

Thursday's @ 12pm
27 Wills Street
Maryborough

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



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

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

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

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

1.30pm - 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)

27 Wills St, Maryborough

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

51 Church St, Eaglehawk

*not on during school Holidays



Contact Us

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MARYBOROUGH

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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.