



Central Vic Salvos

11th October 2026

Last Sunday there was much joy and warmth at Castlemaine Salvos as we enrolled a new soldier.

Oh, hang on – it was me!!!

What does it mean for a person of my age, who has been following Jesus since childhood, given most of adult life to ministry, and a member of three other denominations to become a soldier in The Salvation Army.



My brief bio above tells you that it's not just about faith in Jesus – although that is an essential element. And it's not about entry into ministry – although to be a soldier in the Salvation Army does mean to commit ourselves to living sacrificially in service of others, and not to please ourselves.

And it is not to dishonour or deny the embrace of other communities of faith and their traditions, in which my life has been forged and formed, shaped and sustained, exercised and expressed. I deeply value my baptism as a teenager, in which I fully embodied my desire to be drenched in the spirit of Jesus' life, death and resurrection. And I am grateful for the grace I found in the Uniting Church which breathed a gentle healing into my hidden broken parts, and stirred in me gifts of prophetic and poetic voice for others. Through ministry with the Anglican church my gifts of leadership and vision were blessed and stretched. None of this ought nor can be lost.

And it's also not about having a rank – I will remain a Ministry Assistant. Whatever titles or honours or trophies may be attached to our names, we lay them at the foot of the cross of Jesus who “emptied himself of all but Love” and we do the same.

So what was this Soldiership uniquely about, if all these others things are in place? I have made a covenant in this community – local expression of a larger movement - that shows I willingly become accountable for the intentions I have voiced and signed. Accountable in community.

I was a parenting skills facilitator with Toolbox: and this material provides parents with a framework for loving in families: Love provides acceptance, affirmation, appreciation, accountability and affection.

Many parents knew that to be affirming and affectionate to their children was a loving thing to do. But they didn't realise that holding accountability, and that being accountable themselves was loving also.

As I offer myself as a soldier in the Salvation Army it is this dynamic of accountability as a pinion of community that is taking full flight. This is a two-winged bird – accountability to and from one another – that flies on the winds of grace and Spirit. What a way to live!

Beth Waldron Anstice (Castlemaine)

More information

<https://www.salvosonline.org.au/festival-of-mission>

MISSION MANIFESTO

27 – 28 November 2026

This is a two-day gathering for those who dream of seeing lives changed. For those who believe the gospel still transforms communities. For those ready to create and respond to the needs around them with faith and boldness.

Through worship, prayer, storytelling, learning and shared experience, we will celebrate what God is doing today and imagine what could be possible tomorrow.

At the heart of Mission Manifesto is a conviction: God works through ordinary people. When we follow with courage, create with purpose and serve with confidence, and keep Jesus at the centre lives are transformed.

Register: <https://www.trybooking.com/au/event/1647985>

Cost: \$15 a day

MISSION MANDATE

29 November 2026

The Festival of Mission will conclude at 614 with a special Sunday Rally: Mission Mandate.

Join us as we gather together for worship, celebration, prayer and response. Join us as we hear from the General what's on God's heart for The Salvation Army.

No Registration needed



FESTIVAL of Mission



Monthly Quiet Time Challenge Creative Faith

Read: Psalm 127: 1

Respond to Scripture creatively
through art, writing or music



Unlike traditional Christmas presents, Salvos Gifts contribute towards practical initiatives that help people build brighter futures. From supporting livelihoods and strengthening families to improving health and wellbeing, every gift helps create lasting change.

Whether you're purchasing a gift on behalf of a friend, family member or corps member, Salvos Gifts provide an opportunity to celebrate Christmas in a way that reflects hope, generosity and compassion.

As the Christmas season approaches, our corps will also begin preparing for this year's Christmas Day Offering Appeal and inviting their members to support vulnerable children and families in Indonesia.

While separate from Salvos Gifts, both initiatives provide opportunities to support The Salvation Army's international work and share God's love in practical ways

<https://www.salvationarmy.org.au/international-development/give/salvos-gifts/>

Revival WORSHIP

A time to praise and worship as christian believers

We need the lord Jesus Christ in our hearts and in our City of Greater Bendigo, let us come together in one mind and purpose to declare that Jesus Christ is the Lord of our lives and the City of Greater Bendigo.

John 17: vs 21 - 22

"I pray for them all to be joined together as one even as You and I Father are joined together as one, I pray for them to become one with Us, so that the world will recognise that You sent me."



VENUE:

Stage and Lawn
Garden of the Future
Bendigo Botanical Gardens
White Hills.



DATE:

Saturday
24 October, 2026



START 1:00PM -
FINISH 3:00PM



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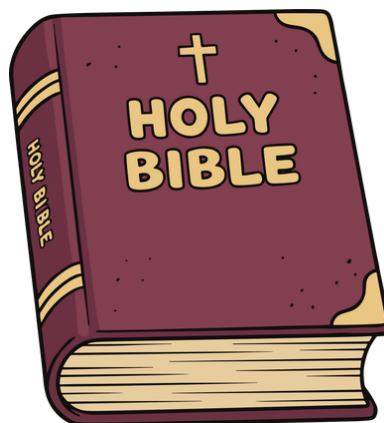
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Bring your own chairs and mats.

Be kind & compassionate to one another,
forgiving each other,
just as in Christ God forgave you.

EPHESIANS 4:32



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CONNECTING SALVOS IN MISSION

<https://www.salvosonline.org.au>



Salvos Online is the internal news website of The Salvation Army Australia Territory. The website is part of the Internal Communications Department and includes leadership updates, missional stories, features, viewpoints, reviews, history articles and more.

Bendigo



BENDIGO SALVOS COMMUNITY ART SPACE

Bendigo

A free, relaxed art space to create and be part of community, and be reminded of how the Master Creator can do something new within us.

MONDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM
THURSDAYS 1:00PM-3:00PM

The Bendigo Salvation Army
65-71 Mundy Street
In shelter Shed (opposite Café)

Any questions?
Please contact Spencer on
0499 707 871



COMMUNITY MEALS

We have two free Community Meals each week.

Monday (held by Impact Recovery): 12:00pm-1:00pm

Thursday: 12:00pm-1:00pm

Bendigo Salvos, 65-71 Mundy st
Hilltop Café



Bendigo



ONESIGHT
EssilorLuxottica Foundation



A free **Vision Clinic** is coming to The Salvation Army Bendigo!

If you're struggling to see clearly, you can get a **free eye test** here.

If you need glasses, they'll be provided **at no cost**.

Please call Spencer on 0499 707 871 (available Mon-Thurs) or visit our reception to book an appointment

Limited appointments available

Clinic details:

Date: Tuesday 13th of October 2026

Address: 65 – 71 Mundy st, Gate 1



OrangeSky
Australia



Join us for free
LAUNDRY & CONVERSATION



Salvation Army

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

Monday 12.30pm-2.30pm

Thursday 10.30am-1pm

Whether you're experiencing homelessness, financial hardship, isolation or loneliness, **we welcome you to visit us on shift!**



Scan to find our other Locations



Bendigo Community Health Services



Join a BCBS walking group

Bendigo Community Health Services offers two walking groups for people aged 18+ living in Greater Bendigo.

- Meet new people
- Bring your friends
- Improve your health & fitness
- Walk at your own pace

♥ 9.30am - 10.30am

♥ Mondays -
Garden for the Future, Bosquest St, White Hills

♥ Wednesdays -
Lake Neangar, Simpsons Rd, Eaglehawk

Free to join and enjoy. Register your attendance:

📞 5406 1200

✉ healthpromotion@bchs.com.au

🌐 www.bchs.com.au



Castlemaine

Spring into Christmas

Community Market

We need Stall Holders

Our Market in June was such a hoot we want to do it all again, we can't decide between Spring or Christmas so we will combine them into one fantastic community market. We would love for you to join us.

Register your interest, book a space, make enquiries
Vicki.kerin@salvationarmy.org.au

14th November 2026

10 - 3pm

Castlemaine Salvo's (next to the Train Station)

Above all else,
guard your heart,
for everything
you do flows from it
Proverbs 4:23



Savoury Italian Slice

Posted by Kim McCosker on February 08, 2022

<https://4ingredients.com.au/blogs/recipes/savoury-italian-slice>

Serves 6 serves

Ingredients

100 g kale chopped

140 g roasted red capsicums (from a jar) chopped

1/4 cup sliced spring onions

8 eggs well beaten

100 g feta crumbled

Instructions

Line the slow cooker with baking paper.

Line the base with kale.

Top with capsicum and spring onions.

Pour the eggs over the vegetables.

Season with sea salt and cracked pepper, then sprinkle with feta.

Cook on HIGH for 1 to 2 hours, or until set when a knife inserted in the centre removes clean.

Recipe Notes

Optional: Serve each slice with a drizzle of sweet chilli sauce or a small dollop of sour cream.



Maryborough

COMMUNITY MARKET DAYS

FRESH PRODUCE, BREAD AND OTHER ITEMS AS AVAILABLE

MON, WED & FRI 10AM-12:30PM

"excluding public holidays, while stocks last"

Our church is taking part in the 2026 National Church Life Survey on Sunday 24/10.

Why? Locally, this survey helps our church to listen to all voices, so we can gain valuable insights to shape the health and vitality of our church.

Nationally, our church will also add to a vital picture of church life across Australia, highlighting national trends and informing wider society.

Eaglehawk

Costa Live at the Resilient Homes Expo!!



Be inspired by Costa to create a safer, greener, more resilient home and community.

Sunday 11 October 2026
10am to 4pm

Lexton Community Hub
1 Prince Street, Lexton

FREE FAMILY FRIENDLY

Prepare your home and communities for all emergencies

- EXPERT ADVICE
- EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS
- DEMONSTRATIONS AND DISPLAYS
- SUSTAINABLE LIVING IDEAS
- KIDS ACTIVITIES

www.pyrenees.vic.gov.au/ResilientHomesExpo

Pyrenees Shire Council

SAFER TOGETHER





Thrift Shops

AVOCA THRIFT SHOP

114 High Street, Avoca

Ph: (03) 5459 0502

Open Hours:

10:00am - 3:0pm

Mon, Wed, Thurs & Fri

10:00am - 1:00pm Saturday

CASTLEMAINE THRIFT SHOP

46 Forest Street, Castlemaine

Ph: (03) 5459 0506

Open Hours:

10am-4pm Monday to Friday

10am-3pm Saturday

BENDIGO CBD THRIFT SHOP

18 Pall Mall, Bendigo

Ph: 0461 460 295

Open Hours:

9:30am-4:00pm Mon-Fri

10:00am - 4:00pm Saturday

Closed: 25th & 26th September

ST ARNAUD THRIFT SHOP

70-72 Napier Street, St Arnaud

Ph: (03) 5459 0503

Open Hours:

9:30am - 3:30pm Mon to Fri

10am-2pm Saturday

BENDIGO THRIFT SHOP

2B Thistle Street, Golden Square

Ph: (03) 5459 0504

Open Hours:

9am-4:30pm Monday to Friday

9am-2pm Saturday

WEEKLY PROGRAMS & SERVICES

BENDIGO

MONDAY

12.00pm - Community Meal

12.30 to 2.30pm - Clothes Washing

1.00 to 3.00pm - Art Space

THURSDAY

10.30 to 1.30pm - Clothes

Washing

11.00am - Chapel

12.00pm - Community Meal

SUNDAY

10.00am - Celebration Service

10.30am - Kids School

65-71 Mundy St, Bendigo

CASTLEMAINE

MONDAY

9.30am to 11.00am - Playgroup *

11.15am to 12.45pm - Playgroup *

3:45pm - 4:45pm: Just Brass

WEDNESDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm Doorways

FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.00pm - Doorways

SUNDAY

10.30am - Worship Service

47 Kennedy St, Castlemaine

EAGLEHAWK

TUESDAYS

8:30am - Weekly Prayers

9:45am - Weekly Bible Study - BYO lunch

THURSDAY

11.00am 4th every month - Aged Care Service

2.00pm - Community Pantry

3.45pm Band Learners

5.30pm Band Practice

FRIDAY

11.00am Creative and Create Hub
finish at your own leisure

SUNDAY

9:40am - prays

10.00am - Celebration Service

3rd Sunday of month is the Church/Corps
come and share lunch together. starting

February to November.

51 Church St, Eaglehawk

MARYBOROUGH

MONDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

10:30am - Faith Fellowship *

WEDNESDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

THURSDAY

12.00pm - Noon Prayer

1.30pm - Bowls

FRIDAY

9:30am to 12.30pm - Community Pantry

5.00pm - Faith Chats *

6.00pm - Youth Group *

SUNDAY

9:15am - Prayer Meeting

10.00am - Celebration Service with Kids
Church

27 Wills St, Maryborough

*not on during school Holidays



Contact Us

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2 WAYS TO GIVE



IN PERSON

PLACE YOUR CASH
OR ENVELOPES IN
THE OFFERING PLATE



ONLINE

VIA BPAY
FOR BILLER CODE
PLEASE SEE CORPS OFFICER/LEADER



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 honours God who is Father, Son and Spirit; and who is the Creator of this world and the giver of all life. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, who are the Dja Dja Wurrung and Taungurung Peoples of the Kulin Nation, and we pay our respects to their elders past present and future. We commit ourselves to work for reconciliation and justice alongside Australia's First Nations people.