



Central Vic Salvos

20th July 2025

My personal experiences of secondary homelessness over the past decade have had an impact on how I think about church buildings.

On the one hand, the loss of my own home, becoming a gypsy, moving from one temporary nest to another, perching on the branches that others have been generous enough to share, has reinforced my conviction that God goes with us in every space. And serving in Scripture Union beach missions, sharing the gospel in parks and beaches around Victoria it became second nature to see opportunities for sharing faith more often outside of church buildings than inside.

On the other hand, not having a stable home myself has underlined how significant it can be to offer shelter and place to those in need. And in this I have gained a different perspective on church buildings too. Each week our small hall at Castlemaine provides refuge – even if only for a few hours - to those who lack warmth at home. Warmth and shelter might mean a functional heater, or kind friendly company, or both.

As we think about our buildings – Bendigo recently celebrating the history of the Gravel Hill site, Eaglehawk's classic proud architecture from the 1890s, the multi-purpose complex at Maryborough or the hard-working single space at Castlemaine – the gospel of the homeless Jesus who himself had no where to lay his head challenges us to consider our spaces not as our own territory, but as opportunities to invite others in.

Each week as we commence our worship gathering with acknowledgment of Djadja wurrung country, we are reminded that this land is only under custodianship, never owned as a possession. It has been tended by traditional custodians for millennia, and now those who walk upon it must share in responsibility, but not absolute ownership.

So, like the people of God in the Hebrew Bible, we too are exiles.

To the exiles who grieved the loss of home, God spoke through the prophets this challenge:

“Build homes, and plan to stay.

Plant gardens, and eat the food

they produce...work for the

peace and prosperity of

the city where I sent you into

exile. Pray to the Lord for it,

for its welfare will determine

your welfare.” Jeremiah 29 v5&7

As we think about our

buildings and our place in

community this is a good word

for us too – the invitation to invest

ourselves not so that we

(central vic salvos or the church) have

collateral and significance, a substantial

building or security, but so that the whole of the community around us has place and peace.



(Chris Booth, 2016, Blessing Babylon)

Beth Waldron Anstice



Central Vic Salvos



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 out more or contact us on
03 5440 8410



Where? Bendigo, Macedon Rangers, Maryborough and Surrounds.



The Salvation Army has implemented a new purchasing model for uniforms and branded clothing. This model comprises online ordering with 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/uniform-orders>



Youth Services

HELP US KEEP TOOLS FOR THE TRADE

Tools For The Trade (TFTT)

is a transformational program with a 90% success rate in re-engaging vulnerable 16-21 year olds. But without urgent government action. It is at risk of closure

Every year, thousands of young Victorians disengage from school and training putting them at greater risk mental ill-health, family breakdown, unemployment, isolation and involvement with the justice system. TFTT interrupts that cycle offering structure, support and real opportunity. It's early intervention that works

SIGN THE PETITION TODAY

It takes 30 seconds. your voice matters. Scan the QR code to access the petition. Once we reach 10,000 signatures, our cause will be heard in Parliament



A proven early intervention program at risk of closure

Each 10 Week program includes

- Trade tasters at local TAFEs (eg plumbing, automotive)
- Certified training: white card, first aid/CPR, RSA
- Teamwork, communication & Resume writing
- Industry visits, mentoring & work experience
- Health and wellbeing session & Leadership development
- daily support from positive role models and pathway planning
- TFTT offers more than skills - it gives young people stability and support they need to thrive

WHY WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are calling on the Victorian Government to secure ongoing funding for Tools For The Trade a program that helps young people rebuild confidence, purpose and belonging through real world skills and support
Help us keep this program running and give more young Victorians a fair chance at a brighter future.



BWNS in 2025 continues its mission to provide shelter, food and rest for those experiencing homelessness during the winter months.



We bring together volunteers, churches and organisations to create solutions for those needing shelter. The heart of the shelter is our volunteers time and care. our diverse volunteers come from all parts of the community including local churches.

VOLUNTEER

Go to our website and complete the expression of interest form (under "Volunteer").

PRAY

Join us in prayer for those experiencing homelessness.

DONATE

Go to our website and support our mission with a financial donation (under "Support"). Every contribution helps.

Volunteer & Donate at - www.bwns.org.au



Central Vic Salvos



PSA

Pleasant Sunday Afternoon Concert

The churches of Eaglehawk have combined to raise funds for the Winter Night Shelter
 Sunday 20th July 2025
 Venue: Eaglehawk Uniting Church
 Featuring Eaglehawk Citizen Band & Golden City Pipe Band, along with other musical support

2pm start Donation Entry
 Contact Karen 0427 759 641
 for more information



CENTRAL VIC SALVOS MONTHLY

Prayer & Worship Night

Sunday 27th July 2025

5.00pm - Praise and Worship

Eaglehawk Corps
 51 Church St, Eaglehawk

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

PRAISE GOD FOR:

- Please continue to spend time daily in **ADORATION** of our Amazing and Awesome God, reflecting on God Himself, Praising Him for and in His Love, for His Power and Majesty, for His Wonderful gift of Christ.
- Praise Him for our families and friends, our neighbours and all the people He calls us into a relationship with.
- Praise Him for the Vision and Mission of The Salvation Army, and the part Central Vic Salvos has, the part we each have, in 'preaching' the Gospel message to all nations.
- Praise Him for all the committed and faithful followers of Christ throughout Central Vic Salvos.
- Praise Him for all those who have recently made a decision to follow Jesus and Praise Him for all those who have yet to make that decision (through the help of the ministry of Central Vic Salvos).
- Continue to offer prayers of **THANKSGIVING** - being thankful and grateful for everything that God gives you, for everything that God does for you, even the tough times that we go through, knowing that God will use them for our spiritual growth, if we allow Him to.



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- Our Mission and Vision as we share the love of Jesus by: Caring for people, creating faith pathways, building healthy communities and working for justice, so that wherever there is hardship or injustice, Salvos will live, love and fight alongside others, **TO TRANSFORM** Central Victoria **ONE LIFE AT A TIME WITH THE LOVE OF JESUS.**
- For every officer, soldier, adherent, employee, youth and child, that we will each be active in sharing our faith and spreading the Gospel message, reaching out in practical ways to minister to the needs of our communities, to daily put our faith in action.
- For **PROTECTION** for our Church Leaders - (Major Karen Armstrong, Captains Ashir Morris and Hummera Ashir and Beth Waldron Anstice) and their families - if we are advancing the Kingdom of God, we will come under attack of the enemy, and those in leadership are prime targets. Use scripture (Isa. 54:17, Ps 91, Ps 23, Isa. 45:2) Cover them in the Blood of Jesus. May they always seek God first, in everything they do.
- Pray for yourselves and families - we all need protection from the enemy if we are living according to God's will for us.

Psalm 86: 11-13

'Teach me Your ways, O Lord, that I may live according to Your truth! Grant me purity of heart, so that I may honour You. With all my heart I will praise You, O Lord my God. I will give glory to Your Name forever, for Your love for me is very great.'



Maryborough

Mark 2:1-12

¹A few days later, when Jesus again entered Capernaum, the people heard that he had come home. ²They gathered in such large numbers that there was no room left, not even outside the door, and he preached the word to them.

WORSHIP SERVICES

20th July

Major Mal Davies
(Assistant Divisional Commander)

27th July

Major Brad Halse

Eaglehawk visits Maryborough

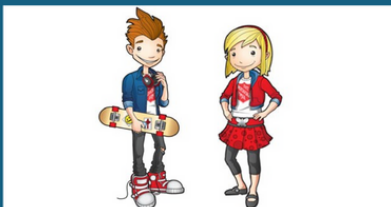


Castlemaine

Castlemaine Junior Soldiers

Lunch and program
12 noon - 1pm
July 20

(Third Sunday of the Month)



**Castlemaine
Salvo's**

Playgroup

Resuming 21st July

Monday 10am – 11:30am*

47 Kennedy Street, Castlemaine



Castlemaine

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



MAJOR KAREN ON FURLOUGH

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

Sunday 3 August Captain F Hodge

Sunday 10 August - Raelene Creeley

Sunday 17 August - Darren Dunn

please support them through prayer and your availability.

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.



24-7 PRAYER

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 supplies at the end.
Sunday 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.

To Register please fill see Major Karen

CORPS FELLOWSHIP LUNCH

Tuesday 19 August @ midday
White Horse Hotel

LEADERSHIP MEETING

Wednesday 23 July at 6:30pm at the quarters.



SCRAPBOOKING OF FAITH

Tuesday 26 August @
10:30am

BYO lunch

More details to follow



BAND PRACTICE

commencing each week during school term
Thursday's 1:30pm



HARVEST WEEKEND

October 25 & 26

With Major Mal Davies.

Saturday evening will be a games and a auction.

More details to come .





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 will be provided at **no cost**.

CLINIC DETAILS

DATE:

Wednesday 6th August
9:00am-3:00pm

ADDRESS:

Worship Centre (Gate 1)
65-71 Mundy Street
Bendigo
(enter via the back gate)



Limited appointments available

Call Spencer on **0499 707 871**

(Available Mon - Thurs) or stop by the
Centre to book your appointment today!



Bendigo



The Hilltop Cafe provides delicious free meals three days per week.

Monday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm (meals by impact recovery)

Thursday: 12.00pm - 1.00pm

Friday: 10.00am - 12.15pm (meals by MADCOW)

Drop in space

Drop in for a coffee and a chat every Thursday.
from 3:00pm-5:00pm

Bendigo Salvos 65-71 Mundy st
Worship centre

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)

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



DISCOVERY CHURCH

Alpha

Discovery church is starting a new program called
Alpha

Alpha is a beginners course for people who want to
know who God is and our place in the world.

Starting 9th of march 5:00pm

If you are interested please contact

Kenneth: 0466 233 230

or

Captain Ashir: 0408 746 144



Bendigo



Showers



Bendigo



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





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

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)

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

*not on during school Holidays

51 Church St, Eaglehawk



Contact Us

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EAGLEHAWK

Corps Officer: Maj. Karen Armstrong

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MARYBOROUGH

27 Wills St, Maryborough | 03 5459 0500

corpsofficer.maryborough@salvationarmy.org.au



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.