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Newsletter

Street Salvation Army, Church & Community Centre



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Dear Friends,

Do you remember the rhyme,

Remember, remember, the 5th of November,

Gunpowder, treason and plot.

I see no reason

Why gunpowder treason

Should ever be forgot.

I'm sure as many have celebrated bonfire night this month many people will say this rhyme, remembering it from their childhood. We will also pause this month to remember all those killed in conflict.

Our faith is a remembering faith. We remember the mighty acts of God in history as recorded in Scripture. We remember his personal goodness towards us as we recall the blessings he has given us and others. We remember what Jesus did to show us how much we are loved by God. We remember that God calls us to live a certain way.

Such remembering does not mean we are locked into the past. It means that what has happened in the past helps shape what happens in the present and may happen in the future. If we are tempted to doubt God's goodness in the present, we can remember his goodness in the past. If we are fearful for the future, we can remember his faithfulness in the past.

Lets make November our remembering season of all God has done for us!

God Bless

Louise and John

Today, Sunday 9th November is Remembrance Sunday.

Our worship service at 10.30am, will include an act of remembrance.

Street's Civic Remembrance Parade

will meet at the Royal British Legion for a **2:30pm start** - the march will finish at **Merriman Park** where there will be a service of remembrance.





STREET FOODBANK NEWS

We are always thankful for donations of non perishable food, we continue to be grateful for donations of the following items:

 \Rightarrow Tinned Meat \Rightarrow Tea Bags (packs of 80)

 \Rightarrow Jars of Cooking Sauces \Rightarrow Instant Coffee

⇒ Tinned spaghetti / ravioli ⇒ UHT Milk

⇒ Tinned Vegetables ⇒ Fruit Squash

 \Rightarrow Tinned Tomatoes \Rightarrow Biscuits

 \Rightarrow Pasta / Rice \Rightarrow Christmas treats

 \Rightarrow Tinned Fruit \Rightarrow Breakfast Cereal

⇒ Tinned Custard / Rice Pudding ⇒ Strong shopping bags

Food parcels that we provide contain non perishable food, fresh or frozen food from FareShare where possible, and Aldi vouchers. All of which provides a good offering of food to those who need it.

We welcome financial donations for the work of our foodbank, as we are spending a large amount of money on food every month and we continue to work towards moving the foodbank into a larger space within our building.

Please pray for everyone who receives food parcels this month.

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We've had some generous donations of food from harvest festivals in schools and local churches - our foodbank shelves are once again full, which is a great position to be in, in the lead up to Christmas. Thanks in particular to:

- Brookside Academy School
- Charlton Mackrell C of E Primary
 School
- Compton Dundon School
- Elmhurst Junior School
- Holy Trinity Church, Walton
- Kenton Mandeville School
- Meare Community Church
- St Andrew's Church, Compton Dundon
- Street Mission Church
- Street United Reformed Church
- Walton C of E Primary School
- West Pennard School







Christmas dates for your diaries...

With Christmas fast approaching here's a list of our proposed dates and activities. More details will be published as each event approaches, so do listen out for the notices on Sundays, or keep an eye on our website and social media.

Sat 29th Nov	Christmas Unboxing - A family event with food and children's' activity.
Sun 30th Nov	First Sunday in Advent
Sat 6th Dec	Street Festive Market - 11:00am to 4:00pm
Sun 7th Dec	Christmas Café Church - 10.30am please bring your toys and food for our Christmas Appeal to this service.
8th - 11th Dec	Corps programme closed for Christmas food hampers/Toy Appeal
Sun 14th Dec	Christmas Lunch followed by Carols (booking will be essential)
Tue 16th Dec	Toddler Group Christmas Party - 9.30-11.30am
Weds 17th Dec	Singing by Heart Christmas Afternoon Tea
Thu 18th Dec	Stall on Street Market
Fri 19th Dec	Carols @ Coffee Morning - 10:00am-12:00pm
Sun 21st Dec	Candlelight Carol Service - 5.00pm
Weds 25th Dec	Christmas Day Service - 10:30am
Sun 28th Dec	Relaxed, short service at 10:30am

Further details to follow next month!







We are collecting new unwrapped toys and food for local families again this Christmas!

All Donations to be in by Friday 5th December 2025

For more detail visit our website

www.salvationarmy.org.uk/street



or find us on Facebook

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Below is an article reproduced from the *Soldiers and Airmen's Scripture Reading Association (SASRA)*'s Autumn

2025 issue of *'Ready for the Future''*, written by Army

Scripture Reader (ASR) Gavin Dickson, from Colchester Garrison.

You can read more from SASRA at https://issuu.com/sasrareaders/docs/ready for the future

Faith on the FRONT LINE



As a former British Army soldier and now as a Scripture Reader, Gavin speaks about the truth that we are all soldiers fighting a spiritual war.

We are not just churchgoers, we are soldiers. Whether we feel it or not, we are in a spiritual war. But the good news? Victory is assured in Christ.

Paul says in 2 Timothy 2:3, 'Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.'

When I joined the British Army, I signed up to serve, not to sit back. The same is true for our walk with Christ. Jesus doesn't invite us to comfort, but to commitment. He gave us a commission, not a suggestion.

We're called to pray hard, show up for others, praise boldly and proclaim Christ.

Imagine two men who enlist: one expects a parade, the other expects a fight. Guess who sticks it out? The one prepared for the battle. Are we spiritually prepared, or hoping for a holiday?

TRAINING FOR BATTLE

'Put on the whole armour of God that you may be able to stand against the schemes Of the devil' (Eph. 6:11).

No soldier enters a warzone without gear. As Christians, our gear is spiritual: truth, righteousness, faith, salvation, God's Word and prayer.

But gear without training is useless. Daily time in Scripture, prayer and worship are not optional, it's how we survive and thrive.

I knew a spiritually sceptical soldier. He began to come to early-morning prayers, stayed silent for weeks, then began asking questions. One day, he picked up the Bible himself. That's training in progress — one verse at a time.

LOYALTY TO THE COMMANDER

'No soldier gelt entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him' (2 Tim. 2:4).

In the Army you follow orders. You go where you're told. The same applies spiritually — Jesus is our Commander. Are we truly loyal to Him, or distracted by comfort, control or our own plans? A soldier once said to me 'I want to believe. but don't want to give up control.' Eventually, he said, 'I surrender. Not to the enemy, but to Christ.'

SUFFERING WITH PURPOSE

'Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus' (2 Tim. 2:3)

Life gets hard. But in Christ, suffering is newer wasted. It produces endurance and reveals our true hope. Even your pain has a purpose. God is doing something eternal with it, even if we can't see it yet. Imagine a grieving soldier, full of guilt. He meets Jesus through Scripture and prayer and wears the cross, not just as a memory, but as a symbol of faith.

THE PROMISE OF VICTORY

'Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war' (Rev. 19:11).

We know this war ends — Christ wins. The tomb is empty, and the throne is occupied. We don't fight for medals. We fight for the crown of life, and we wait for that victorious day when Christ returns, and every knee will bow.

CLOSING CALL TO ACTION

You may never wear camouflage or hold a rifle—but you're in the fight. Your battleground might be your marriage, your workplace or your thought life, but you are a soldier of Christ. The challenge is, will you fight the good fight? Will you support others on the front line through partnership

or presence? Will you pledge your life anew today? The tomb is empty. and the throne is occupied. That's our victory.





Every child will receive a box full with activities to explore Christmas, while brunch will be served...

We look forward to welcoming you!

No charge, just a donation, a bucket will be left out for those that are able to pop something in.

Market Stall



Our market stall is a great opportunity for us to engage with our community and be available as a listening ear, or to chat, or offer prayer.

Everything that we sell on the stall raises much-needed funds for Street Salvation Army.

We're especially looking for new or nearly new items that we can sell on our stall at Street's Festive Market.

We're looking for things that would make good Christmas gifts!

If you can spare some of your time, either on the Thursday stall, or the festive market on Saturday 6th December, please speak to Wendy.







Drop in

on Friday mornings

for

COFFEE MORNING



10:00am to 12:00pm

Bacon Rolls, Toasted Teacakes, Tea, Coffee, Biscuits, chat and company! The Lord is my light and my salvation — whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life— of whom shall I be afraid?

PSALM 27:1





followed by a cup of tea.



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

EPHESIANS 4:32

Street Corps online

www.salvationarmy.org.uk/street or on Facebook at facebook.com/SalvationArmyInStreet Share with your friends & family who are online!

Email - street@salvationarmy.org.uk



You can now donate directly and securely via our website

Your generosity helps us keep vital community services running, like our foodbank, toddler groups, Singing by Heart sessions, coffee mornings, and so

Regular donations make a real difference to us as they help us plan ahead, support more people, and bring hope where it's needed most.

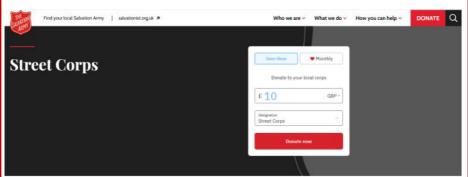
If you believe in community, kindness, and practical love in action, we'd be so grateful for your support.

And if you're a UK taxpayer, you can sign up for Gift Aid as you donate, making your donation go even further at no extra cost to you!



Thank you for being part of the Street Salvation Army family





Christmas Appeal Just Giving Page

We have an online fundraising page for donations towards our Christmas Appeal in Street:

https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ thesalvationarmychristmas-2025-420



Wordsearch - War and Peace

Once you've found all the words below, the letters left over form a mystery answer.

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Camp M
Chariots M
City

Commander
David
Deity
Hierarchy
Holy war
Horsemen
Horses
Jericho
Jezebel
Lot
Merciful
Midianite

Moabites
Monarchy
Nations
Power
Security
Soldiers
Songs
Testings
Theocracy
Victories
Warrior
Wonders

(Wordsearch provided by christianbiblereference.org)



What's on in November

Monday - Friday: all day Food Bank

Tuesdays: 9.30am to 11:30am *Toddler Group*

2.00pm Hindhayes School

Christian Assembly

Wednesdays: 9.30am to 11:30am Toddler Group

9.30am to 11.30am Paper Sales in Wells

2.00pm to 3.00pm Singing by Heart

Thursday 13 Nov all day Street Market

Fridays: 10.00am to 12:00pm Coffee Morning

Saturday 29th 09.30am to 11:30am Christmas Unboxing

Sundays: 10.30am Sunday Worship followed by tea &

coffee

