

SUNDAY 13th October 2024



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The Junior Soldier's Promise

Today, Luca will be enrolled as a Junior Soldier. It is an important day ... for him, for his parents and for our whole corps. Although a simple ceremony, it marks a significant stepping stone in Luca's journey of faith – one that brings continuity between him and the generations of Salvationists that have gone before.

For those of us who have grown up in the Salvation Army, we know what this day means. Some may actually remember the day that they stood on the platform (I can't say I am among them), but the words of the Junior Soldier's Promise remain forever embedded within our minds when all other pledges slowly disappear in the fog of forgetfulness as we move through life.

'I promise to pray, to read my Bible, and to lead a life that is clean in thought, word and deed'

Only God knows where He will lead Luca in the years to come. Let us pray for him – and all our young people – that they may hold fast to the promises they make before God and our church.

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People

There are a number of people in our fellowship who are poorly including: Anne Lane, who is in Gloucester Hospital; Rob H, who is home, but waiting for further cardiology treatment; Catherine who is still recovering from her fall and subsequent treatment; and Andy S who is still poorly. In addition, there are a number of people who have seasonal colds, along with some who have had an adverse reaction to their Flu / COVID jabs. Please continue to pray and support each other at this time and please contact us if we can be of any assistance.



**The Salvation Army
Trowbridge**



Visit of Swansea Citadel Songsters (choir)

**SUNDAY 20th October
Corps (church) Anniversary**

**Morning Worship at 10am
Afternoon of Praise at 3pm**

Everyone welcome! No tickets required!



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M4 Road Closure

You may have heard that next weekend the M4 will be closed in both directions between junctions 18 and 19. This will probably cause significant disruption on many of the roads we use to get to our building – please give yourself extra time to arrive for the morning meeting and Messy church next weekend.

For more details, please see below and:

<https://nationalhighways.co.uk/our-roads/south-west/a432-badminton-road-bridge-crossing-the-m4/>

The M4 will be closed in both directions between junctions 18 and 19 from 7pm Friday 18 October to 6am Monday 21 October. This closure is part of our work on the A432 Badminton Road Bridge.

During the closure, we'll be digging trenches under the motorway. The trenches will allow utilities to be diverted that are currently within the bridge. Where possible, noisy work will be completed in the day so that overnight noise is kept to a minimum. The bridge is then due to be demolished next year.

A local diversion route will be in place using the A46, A420, A4174 and M32, which is expected to be very busy. Please follow diversion signs and not satnavs.

This is one of the busiest sections of motorway in the south west. The closure is likely to cause substantial disruption. If you are planning to travel, allow yourself plenty of extra time to complete your journey.

We carefully plan our schemes to limit any inconvenience. However, sometimes it's not possible to carry out the work without a closure.

If we are unable to complete our work as planned, the M4 junction 18 to 19 will be closed again from 7pm Friday 25 October to 6am Monday 28 October. Keep an eye on our social media channels for more information.

To find out more you can visit the webpage by scanning the QR code, or going to: nationalhighways.co.uk/a432-badminton-road-bridge, call our Contact Centre on 0300 123 5000 (open 24/7), who will pass your enquiry to the team, or email the team: M4A432BadmintonRdOverbridge@nationalhighways.co.uk



Flowers

The flowers today are from Becky with love to Beryl and Spence who celebrated their Emerald Wedding Anniversary on Friday October 11th.

Thursday Church

Our first Thursday Church took place this week and it was a lovely opportunity to celebrate harvest with a number of people who don't attend on a Sunday morning – thank you to those people who were praying for this new activity.

On 14th November we will have our next one where we will have the opportunity to focus on remembrance and on 5th December we will celebrate Christmas.

On the weeks in between, starting this Thursday, we will have a new Extra Slice group meeting at the same time (11.15am – 12pm) – if you don't yet attend an Extra Slice group and are free on a Thursday morning we would love to see you. Speak to Colin or Nicola for more details.

Open Doors

We are committed to opening our doors as much as possible so that members of the community can be welcomed into our building. With this in mind we are extending our 'Open Doors' opening hours from this week. During this time refreshments are available (pay what you can afford) and a friendly face for a chat or even some advice. Here are the details:

- Tuesday 10am – 2pm (home-made soup available at 12.30pm)
- Thursday 10am – 12pm
- Friday 10am – 12pm

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11.15am - 12pm on
10th October
14th November
5th December



The Week Ahead

TODAY - Sunday 13th October:

- 10am Young People's Prize Giving
Including the enrolment of Luca as a Junior Soldier. Please note that the meeting may finish a little later this week.
- 11.30am-12:15pm Children's & Youth Activities

Monday 14th October:

- 8pm Mission Council meeting *at the hall*

Tuesday 15th October:

- All day Employment Plus with Tyrone
- 10am Fitness Club
- 11am-12noon Extra Slice Group (leader: Kelvin)
- 10am-2pm Open Doors *(home made soup available at 12:30pm)*
- From 6:30pm YP Band Practice and Singing Company Practice
- 8pm Songster Practice

Wednesday 16th October:

- 9:30am Tots on the Hill
- 3:30pm-4:30pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Gerry)
- 7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Kelvin & Linda's house
- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leader: Beth)

Thursday 17th October:

- 10am-2pm Open Doors
- 11:15am-12pm Thursday morning Extra Slice group *at the hall*
Coffee from 10am
- 12.30pm Lunch Club
- 7:45pm-9pm Extra Slice Group at Colin & Nicola's house
- 8:15pm-9:15pm Extra Slice Group online (leaders: Ian & Rachel)

Friday 18th October:

- 10am-2pm Open Doors
- 4pm Cleaning Hall

Next Weekend

Sunday 20th October:

10am All Age Worship *led by Majors Colin & Nicola*
11.30am-12:15pm Children's & Youth Activities
4pm-6pm Messy Church
6pm Youth Pulse Event *at Bristol Easton*



Dates for the Diary

Here are some dates that are coming up soon:

Sunday 27 th October	Church 2 U – in Whitchurch and at Badminton Gardens <i>Clocks change</i>
Monday 28 th October	CAMEO Craft Group
Saturday 9 th November	Coffee Morning
Sunday 10 th November	Remembrance Sunday
Monday 11 th November	Mission Council Meeting
Thursday 14 th November	Thursday Church
Saturday 16 th November	Our band in concert at Morriston
Sunday 17 th November	Messy Church Youth Pulse Event
Sunday 24 th November	Divisional Leaders leading our Sunday Worship