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# Newsletter

Street Salvation Army, Church & Community Centre



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This month's letter is written by Lt Col Wendy Leavey, our Corps Sergeant Major.

## Hi Everyone,

The nights are drawing in, and the clocks have changed. Winter is on its way! For me the darker evenings, and the cold seasonal weather are a time to take stock. Sort out the clutter, put things back into some sort of order. Do those things you have been putting off.

I love to make a list, and enjoy the satisfaction of ticking off the tasks, one by one! I suppose you could call this my strategic planning for the winter.

General Lyndon Buckingham has just recently launched the Global Strategic Plan for the Salvation Army. It comes under three headings. People. Mission and Legacy. This really got me thinking.

Over the last few decades, we all know people who have influenced our corps for good.

They truly had a heart for mission for the people of Street, and used their testimonies of what God had done in their lives, to share His love, His grace, His gift of Salvation for the whosoever.

Because of this our corps is still going forward, still serving the local community, sharing the hope and joy of knowing Jesus, and what a difference he can make in our lives.

This is the legacy people in the past have left us, one which has lasted over the years, and one which God willing we will continue to pass on to the next generation. A legacy which is far richer than any monitory benefit, as we have been reminded recently "treasure laid up in Heaven."

Christian blogger Brian Dodd defines legacy as "The imprint you leave on the future."

Let us be people of God.

People with a mission.

People who will leave an imprint that is leaving others in no doubt, that we love Jesus, and our dearest wish is for them to know and love him too!

God Bless You,

Wendy

Our Mission:
To *Share* the good news
To *Serve* others without discrimination
To *nurture* disciples of Jesus
To *care* for creation
To *Seek* justice and reconciliation



# STREET FOODBANK NEWS

The foodbank continues to be busy and we are starting to prepare for our Christmas food parcels.

We're always thankful for donations of 'in-date', non perishable food that people bring us, and iln the lead up to Christmas food parcels we'd be extremely grateful of any of the following items:

⇒ Mince pies

⇒ Jars of cooking sauces

⇒ Christmas puddings

⇒ UHT Milk

⇒ Crisps & snacks

⇒ Instant Coffee

⇒ Chocolates

⇒ Tea Bags (packs of 80)

⇒ Hot chocolate

⇒ Fruit Squash

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.

Please pray for everyone who receives food parcels this month.

Foodbank Contact details:

🖀 07511 313 339 🖅 street@salvationarmy.org.uk





We've had some generous donations of food from harvest festivals in schools and local churches - our foodbank shelves are full to bursting, 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
- Elmhurst Junior School
- Millfield Prep School (and for the students' help in putting the donations away—pictured below)
- Walton C of E Primary School
- Holy Trinity Church, Walton
- St Andrew's Church, Compton Dundon
- Street United Reformed Church



# 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 30th Nov	<b>Christmas Unboxing</b> 9.30-11.30am - a family event with brunch and children's' activity.
Sun 1st Dec	<b>Christmas Café Church</b> - 10.30am please bring your toys and food for our <b>Christmas Appeal</b> to this service.
Tue 2nd & Wed 3rd Dec	Christmas Toddler Groups - 9.30-11.30am
Sat 7th Dec	Street Festive Market - 11:00am to 4:00pm
9th - 12th Dec	Corps programme closed for Christmas food hampers/Toy Appeal
Sun 15th Dec	Carol Service and Christmas Lunch
Weds 18th Dec	Christmas Home League - 1:45pm
Fri 20th Dec	Carols @ Coffee Morning - 10:00am-12:00pm
Sun 22nd Dec	Candlelight Carol Service - 5.00pm
Weds 25th Dec	Christmas Day Service - 10:30am

## Further details to follow next month!



For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace - Isaiah 9:6







The Salvation Army in Street

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

We work with local schools, health visitors and social services to provide a hamper of food and new toys for families.

If you are able to help, please drop all donations to the Salvation Army Hall by 6th December 2024.

or visit our website

www.salvationarmy.org.uk/street



or find us on Facebook

Street Salvation Army





The Salvation Army Goswell Road, Stre



# **Remembrance Sunday**

## Sunday 10th November is Remembrance Sunday.

**Our worship service** will be at 10.30am, including 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



### Why remember?

The eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month marks the signing of the Armistice on November 11th which signalled the end of World War I. At 11 am on that very day the guns of the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous, aggressive warfare.

Now Remembrance Day, which we once called Armistice Day, is set aside for us to remember those who gave their lives in both World Wars, and the many others who have given their lives in conflicts since 1945. Names of mostly young men and women are still being added to war memorials throughout the U.K. Many others survive but carry with them terrible injuries. To be silent to remember for just two minutes in the course of a year, seems too little in light of such overwhelming sacrifice. We reflect as we recite words from the poem, *For the Fallen*, written by Laurence Binyon:

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:

Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.

At the going down of the sun and in the morning

We will remember them

Emotions of gratitude and grief, pride and perplexity, submission and sorrow fill our minds in the moments of meditation.

General Lord Richard Dannatt, the retired Chief of the General Staff of the British Army, said, "In my business, asking people to risk their lives is part of the job, but doing so without giving them the chance to understand that there is life after death is something of a betrayal. It was said that there were no atheists in the trenches. Terrible as war and death, injury and bloodshed are, they are no match for the love of God for every individual."

#### The Poppy

Flanders. that western part of Belgium, was the scene of some of the most concentrated fighting in World was War 1. When there utter

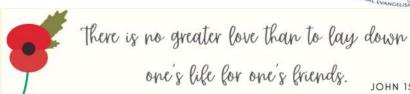


devastation of buildings, roads and trees, only the poppy survived. John McCrae, a doctor serving with the Canadian Armed Forces, was so moved by what he saw in 1915 that he scribbled in his pocket notebook the poem, In Flanders Fields. Punch magazine published it, and so the poppy became the symbol for soldiers who died in battle.

(words taken from Soldiers & Airmen Scripture Readers Association (SASRA) Remembrance leaflet)



JOHN 15:13



#### PRAYER of SAINT FRANCIS of ASSISI

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.



O Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love.

For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen





Therefore encourage one another and build one another up just as you are doing

1 THESSALONIANS 5:11



Saturday November 30th

9:30am - 11:30am

Every child will receive a box and 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.



# Drop in on Friday mornings for



# COFFEE MORNING

10:00am to 12:00pm

Bacon Rolls, Toasted Teacakes, Tea, Coffee, Biscuits, chat and company!

**Street Library** are a 'Warm Space' this Winter, and are also a Coat Exchange - see their info below:











Donations Required



# Warm Winter Coat Exchange

You can take a coat without making a donation.

You can donate a coat without taking one.

All donations must be of good quality and in a clean condition.

Any shape or size, for adults or children.

Please hand all donations to a member of staff.



## 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 7th December, please speak to Wendy.



# 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-2024-433



## **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

# Flower Rota

Helen has a list of those who'd like to provide flowers on dates that are special to them throughout the year.

There are a couple of gaps for November.



Please get in touch if there's a date you'd like to provide the flowers for, either this month or next year.

## Wordsearch -

When you've completed the wordsearch, the letters remaining form a mystery answer:

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Accept Believe Brother Care Character Commit Concern Consistent Disciple

Encourage **Ethical** Everyone Forgive Foundation Genuine Grace Honest Jesus

Joy Log Love Measure Merciful Need Poured Pressed down Thanks Receive

Relationship Reward Running over Sacrifice Sensitive Serve Shaken together

Unselfish



## **Corps Programme during November**

Monday - Friday: all day Food Bank

Mondays: morning Job Club with Job Centre Plus

**Tuesdays:** 9.30am Toddler Group

2.00pm Hindhayes School Christian Assembly

Wednesdays: morning Paper sales - Wells

9.30am Toddler Group

1.45pm Home League Ladies Fellowship

Thursdays: all day Street Market

Fridays: 10.00am Coffee Morning

Sundays: 10.30am Sunday Worship

## **Special Events during November**

**Sunday 10th Nov** 2.30pm Street Civic Remembrance March and