

Festive Meal Services Guide 2023

Every year, Council to Homeless Persons publishes our Festive Meal Services Guide, listing free meal events being held right across Victoria over the festive period.

If you're living without a home, doing it tough, or just want a little company over the next few weeks, here's more than 20 free events where you can enjoy some great food and end-of-year cheer.

ALTONA

Salvation Army Community Christmas Lunch When: Wednesday 20 December, 12 - 1pm Where: 108 Queen St, Altona RSVP: No bookings necessary

BENALLA

Salvation Army Christmas Lunch When: Monday 25 December, 12 - 2pm Where: 85 Bridge Street West, Benalla RSVP: Please call 03 5762 6547

BENDIGO

Community Christmas Meal, by Hispanos Unidos de Victoria Inc

When: Thursday 7 December, 5 - 10pm Where: Rosiland Park Rotunda, Pall Mall, Bendigo RSVP: Not required

Community Christmas Meal, by A Reasonable Christianity

When: Thursday 21 December, 5:30 – 9:30pm Where: Anglican Church – Holy Trinity Bendigo, 14 Keck Street, Flora Hill RSVP: text name and number of people attending to 0478 492 016 by 14 December

Community Christmas Meal, by The Salvation Army Bendigo

When: Monday 25 December, 11am – 1:30pm Where: 65-71 Mundy Street, Bendigo (Enter Gate 1) RSVP: Not required

BRUNSWICK

Salvation Army Christmas Carols and Dinner When: Monday 25 December, 4pm Where: 256 Albert Street, Brunswick RSVP: by leaving a message at 9388 5500 or email corpsofficer.brunswick@salvationarmy.org.au

DIAMOND CREEK

Community Christmas Day Lunch – Uniting Church Hall

When: Monday 25 December, 12 noon Where: Cnr Hurstbridge Rd & Wensley St, Diamond Creek RSVP: Call Graham on 0419 361 487 or email gford@bigpond.net.au

EAGLEHAWK

Community Christmas Meal, by Eaglehawk Community House

When: Saturday 9 December, 11am – 2pm Where: 19 Bright Street, Eaglehawk RSVP: Not required

Community Christmas Meal, by Eaglehawk Uniting Church Food & Care

When: Tuesday 19 December, 11am – 1:30pm Where: Eaglehawk Uniting Church, Peg Leg Road, Eaglehawk RSVP: Not required

Community Christmas Meal, by Anglican Parish of Eaglehawk

When: Wed 20 December, 11:30am – 2:30pm Where: St Peters Church Hall, 63 High Street, Eaglehawk RSVP: By 13 December on 5446 8251 or office@eaglehawkanglican.org.au

FOSTER

The Manna Gum Christmas Lunch When: Wednesday 20 December, 12pm Where: Manna Gum Community House, 33 Station Rd, Foster RSVP: For enquiries, call 5682 1101

FRANKSTON

2023 Frankston Life Community Christmas Lunch

When: Monday 25 December, 12-2:30pm Where: Frankston Arts Centre RSVP: Please book here

GLEN HUNTLY

St Anthony's Glen Huntly Christmas Day Takeaway Dinner 2023

When: Monday 25 December, 12-1:30pm Where: St Anthony's Hall, 164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East

RSVP: If you would like a delicious meal, please fill out a yellow invitation, which can be collected from:

- the doors of the church;
- St Anthony's Parish Hall, (164 Neerim Rd, Caulfield East); or
- the front door of the Parish House (74 Grange Road).

Completed forms can be returned:

- via email: stanthony.christmasdinner@gmail.com
- at St Anthony's Parish House: 74 Grange Rd, Glen Huntly (in an envelope marked Christmas Dinner)
- at Tony's Café at St Anthony's Hall on Tuesdays: 12.30pm–1.30pm or Thursdays: 3pm–5.30pm

HAMPTON PARK

Christmas Community BBQ, by Find A Penny Foundation

Food Hampers also available, 3-5pm. To book a hamper, call 0425 747 866 When: Sunday 17 December, 10am-5pm

Where: Hampton park Junior Football Club, 47 Cairns Rd, Hampton Park

RSVP: No bookings necessary (except for Food Hampers)

HASTINGS

Christmas Day Lunch, by Western Port Community Support

When: Monday 25 December, 12 Noon Where: Hastings Bowls Club, 40 Marine Parade, Hastings RSVP: Book in person at 185 High St Hastings or call 5979 2762

KANGAROO FLAT

Community Christmas Meal, by Kangaroo Flat Community House

When: Saturday 16 December, 11am – 2pm Where: 21 Woolcock Avenue, Kangaroo Flat RSVP: Not required, but please RSVP if children are attending. Call 5447 9687 or email adminkfch@bigpond.com by 6 December

Community Christmas Meal, by Rotary Club of Kangaroo Flat

When: Tuesday 19 December, 5:30 - 8pm Where: Gateway Park, High Street, Kangaroo Park (opposite APCO) RSVP: Phone 0400 653 515. Limited walk-ins welcome.

LONG GULLY

Community Christmas Meal, by Long Gully Neighbourhood Centre

When: Wednesday 20 December, 12:30 – 2pm Where: 52–54 Derwent Drive, Long Gully RSVP: Not required

MILDURA

Salvation Army Christmas Day Lunch

When: Monday 25 December, 12 noon Where: Cnr Fourteenth & Etiwanda, Mildura RSVP: Please RSVP

PRAHRAN

Christmas Day Lunch, by Uniting Vic.Tas When: Monday 25 December, 11:30am – 1pm; and 1:30 – 3pm

Where: Hartley's Community Dining Room, 211 Chapel Street, Prahran

RSVP: in person at Hartley's. Please note: this event is almost fully booked out.

QUARRY HILL

Community Christmas Meal, by Didi Bahini Samaj Victoria

When: Sunday 17 December, 10am – 1pm Where: Old Church on the Hill, 36 Russell Street, Quarry Hill RSVP: Call 0420 757 680 by 5 December

RICHMOND

Christmas Food Parcels and Sausage Sizzle, by Richmond Churches Food Centre

When: Monday 18 December, 9:30am-12pm Where: 326 Church St, Richmond. RSVP: No bookings necessary

Christmas Day Barbecue, by Richmond Churches Food Centre

When: Monday 25 December, 12-3pm Where: Community hall behind St Ignatius Church, 326 Church St in Richmond. RSVP: No bookings necessary

SHEPPARTON

GV Community Christmas Day Lunch

When: Monday 25 December, 11am - 2pm Where: McIntosh Centre, Shepparton Showgrounds, cnr High Street & Thompson Street, Shepparton RSVP: Phone 0456 125 237 or email cftavolunteer@gmail.com



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Operating hours: 9am – 5pm, Monday to Friday Our Collingwood office is open to visitors from Tuesday to Thursday by appointment only. Please get in touch to arrange your visit.

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ST KILDA

Christmas Day Lunch, by Sacred Heart Mission

When: Monday 25 December, 10.45am – 1.30pm Where: 87 Grey Street, St Kilda RSVP: No bookings necessary