



**SAT 4 - SUN 19  
JAN 2025**  
**EPIPHANY &  
THE BAPTISM  
OF THE LORD  
(OT-C)**

**See reverse  
for next week**

**The Archdiocese of Southwark**  
**Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish ,Hythe (opened 6th August 1894) & St. Monica's - Chapel Rd, Dymchurch TN29 0TD**  
**Served by the Vincentians**



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**WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS**

**Live Mass Streaming: <https://www.kentchurches.com/churches/our-lady-of-good-counsel/>**

<b>Sat 4 Jan</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b><u>HYTHE Sunday Vigil Mass</u></b>
<b>Parish Sunday Vigil Mass</b>		<b>† Joseph Fernandes RIP</b>
<b>Sun 5 Jan</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b><u>DYMCHURCH-St. Monica's</u></b>
<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>		<b>† Birthday Remembrance</b>
		<b>Andrew Rennie RIP</b>
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b><u>Hythe Mass</u></b>
<b>Children's Liturgy in the Hall</b>		<b>People of the Parish</b>
	<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Exposition &amp; Benediction</b>
<b>Mon 6 Jan</b>		<b>No Parish Mass</b>
<b>Feria</b>		
<b>Tue 7 Jan</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b><u>HYTHE Mass</u></b>
<b>Feria</b>		<b>† Johannes Laubscher RIP</b>
<b>Wed 8 Jan</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b><u>Convent Mass</u> (Sisters only)</b>
<b>Feria</b>		
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Prayer &amp; Praise</b>
<b>Thu 9 Jan</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b><u>Hythe Mass</u></b>
<b>Feria</b>		<b>For Peace throughout the World</b>
<b>Fri 10 Jan</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b><u>Hythe Mass</u></b>
<b>Feria</b>		<b>† Holy Souls RIP</b>
<b>Sat 11 Jan</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>	<b><u>HYTHE Sunday Vigil Mass</u></b>
<b>Parish Sunday Vigil Mass</b>		<b>† Stephan, Agnes, Mary, Jeffery RIP</b>
<b>Second Collection SPUC's WHITE FLOWER Appeal</b>		
<b>Sun 12 Jan</b>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b><u>DYMCHURCH-St. Monica's</u></b>
<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>		<b>Grace &amp; Blessings for</b>
		<b>continuing support and wellbeing for Debbie Golby &amp; family</b>
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**Community Coffee on Sunday 5 Jan**  
**With a tables of Craft Club items for sale**

There will be Tea, Coffee, Biscuits (possibly cake) after Sunday Mass.

**Hosted by Ada & Tricia**

All proceeds going to the Hythe UCM branch.  
**All are welcome. Do come and join us.**

**Community Coffee on Sunday 12 Jan**

There will be Tea, Coffee, Biscuits (possibly cake) after Sunday Mass.

**Hosted by Breda & Martin**

All proceeds going to the Kitchen Refurb fund

**Readers & Eucharistic Ministers:**  
**Saturday Vigil & Sunday morning Masses**

	<b><u>Readers</u></b>	<b><u>Eucharistic Ministers</u></b>
Sat 4 Jan	Sr. Carmel	Sat 4 Jan Chris P Annie H
Sun 5 Jan	Paul C St. Monica's	Sun 5 Jan Bernadette <b>9.00am at St. Monica's</b>
Sun 5 Jan	Carole B	Sun 5 Jan Julia Elizabeth P
Sat 11 Jan	Shirley L	Sat 11 Jan Catherine <b>Vigil Hythe</b> Sr. Carmel
Sun 12 Jan	Marion H-H St. Monica's	Sun 12 Jan Jacqueline <b>9.00am at St. Monica's</b>
Sun 12 Dec	Paulinus	Sun 12 Jan Ada F 10.30am Simon

**Pray for those who are sick in the Parish. Remember those who have recently died. And all those people whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

**And all those in our world suffering from war, natural disaster, grief, sorrow, fear and anxiety and all displaced persons in the world.**



"He will have pity on the weak and needy, and save the lives of the needy"  
**"Life, Human Life, has no equal in the World"**

**Recert Offertory Collections**

At Fr. Peter's Induction Mass  
**Fri 20 Dec £188.00**

**22 Dec 24**  
Dymchurch £156.000.00: Hythe: £402.86

**24 & 25 Dec**  
Dymchurch £290.00: Hythe: £1831.04

**29 Dec 24**  
Dymchurch £154.00: Hythe: £353.00

**CRAFT CLUB**

**Our Craft Club meets on Mondays in the Church Hall from 1.30pm to 3.30pm.**

It a great opportunity to spend a few happy hours with friends knitting, sewing & crafting. Needles & wool are provided. Tea & Coffee are available  
**All are welcome**

After the fantastic sales of Christmas crafts, the Craft Club seeks your help in gathering more supplies for their next endeavours.

**If you have any wool and fabric you can donate, please drop them off in the hall during Sunday Community Coffee.**

**Thank You**

**Wishing you all a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous 2025**

**UCM**

**Thu 23 Jan** Social- Lunch at Sotirios

**PRAYER & PRAISE**

**The next meeting will be on Weds 8 Jan at 7.00pm in the church.**

Not a formal liturgy, just bring yourselves, a favourite prayer, a favourite hymn - whatever you want.

**Bereavement Group**

The next Bereavement meeting: **Tues 14 Jan at 2pm in the hall.** All who are bereaved are welcome. PoC: Elizabeth: 01303 670880

**CONFIRMATION 2025 First Parents' Meeting**

The first meeting, led by Fr. Peter and Justin Alford, for parents of 2025 Confirmands will be on **Tuesday 21 Jan in the Hall from 7.00pm - 8.15pm.**

**HCPT PRAYER GROUP**  
**THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE WED 22JAN AT 2.30PM IN THE CHURCH**

Praying for all ages with special needs of every kind: HCPT and other organisations who support and care.

**<https://www.virginmotherofgoodcounsel.com/hcpt-prayer-group>**



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**People of the Parish**

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Mon 13 Jan **NO PARISH SERVICES**  
**Feria**

Tue 14 Jan **10.00am** **HYPHE Eucharistic Service**  
**Feria**

Wed 15 Jan **10.00am** **Convent Service (Sisters only)**  
**Feria**

Thu 16 Jan **10.00am** **HYPHE Eucharistic Service**  
**Feria**

Fri 17 Jan **10.00am** **HYPHE Eucharistic Service**  
**St. Anthony, Abbot**

Sat 18 Jan **5.00pm** **HYPHE Sunday Vigil Mass**  
**Parish Sunday Vigil Mass** **People of the Parish**

Sun 19 Jan **9.00am** **DYMCHURCH-St. Monica's**  
**2nd Sunday** **For Christine Walton in**  
**Thanksgiving for Health & Well being after surgery.**

**10.30am** **Hythe Mass**  
**People of the Parish**

**CONFESSIONS:** Every Saturday from 10.00am-11.00am  
in the confessional in church

**Exposition and Benediction:** **Every 1st Sunday at 3pm.**  
**Holy Hour Adoration:** **Every 3rd Sunday at 3pm**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for January**

**For the right to an education:** Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

**SPUC'S WHITE FLOWER APPEAL**

The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal in our Parish over the weekend of 11/12 January. SPUC exists to radically transform culture so that abortion is not only abolished but becomes truly unthinkable. To accomplish this mission, the Society is positioning initiatives in politics, education, legislation and culture. Through these efforts we will restore a respect for the sanctity of human life to our society. This year's appeal postcards call on the Government to adhere to the united Nations' Convention on the Rights of the Child. Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers.

**BACK-BY-POPULAR-DEMAND!†**  
**BONUS-BALL-DRAW†**

With the re-opening of St. Monica's we would like to re-start our Bonus Ball Draw. You could be a winner and raise money for St. Monica's! The Bonus Ball Draw is open to all Parishioners from the Marsh and Hythe areas. The money raised previously helped towards roof repairs, new gates, and many more projects at St. Monica's, including the "deep clean" which enabled us to re-open the church after it was closed for such a long time, ready for the recent All-Soul's Mass. † It was so good to see so many familiar faces. †

For just £1.00 per week - starting on Sunday, 5th January 2025 and running through to 30th November 2025 for 48 weeks (£48.00). If you wish to make a Bank Transfer, the details are: Dymchurch Catholic Church Committee, Sort Code: 52-41-42 and Account No: 59184515. †

Please send a screenshot to Ellen to confirm payment and a number can be picked. Alternatively, cash is accepted. †

Thank you. †

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize --- £1000 †**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize --- £250 †**

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All you have to do is randomly pick a number from 1-59 and when the Bonus Ball is picked out on The National Lottery Live Show on Saturday, 6th December 2025 †

the winner will receive the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize of £1000. †

The number either side of the Bonus Ball †

(eg. bonus ball No. 25 - numbers 24 and 26 will † receive 2<sup>nd</sup> prizes of £250 each!) †

The remainder of the money raised goes into †

St. Monica's Church Fund. Please help by supporting us and ask your friends and family to join in! The draw is dependent upon all the numbers being sold! Speak to Ellen after Mass to pick a number or contact her on †

07545312036 or [knightellen14@gmail.com](mailto:knightellen14@gmail.com) † **Good Luck! †**

**The God Who Speaks**  
**Christmas & Epiphany through Art**

Here are some links to the Diocesan 'God Who Speaks' pages, information which is sent out monthly.

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/the-light-has-come-christmas-and-epiphany-through-art/>

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/poems-for-the-feast-of-the-presentation/>

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/what-is-epiphany/>

<https://www.godwhospeaks.uk/feast-day-poems-turn-of-the-year/>

**CONFIRMATION 2025**

Our Parish is looking forward to Confirmation in 2025, for children from 13 years, with a Programme of 14 sessions starting with a Parents' meeting on Tuesday 21st January. If you have children you wish to have confirmed, please complete a Registration Form, available at the back of the Church, and **when complete put it into an envelope and hand it to Fr. Peter.**

If you, as an adult, have been attending Mass on a regular basis but, for whatever reason, have missed the opportunity to be Confirmed, please contact Fr Peter directly.

**A reminder - the Bulletin is Published every 2 weeks**

Should you have any items for the Bulletin (the regular monthly items are already included) please submit them **at least 3 weeks** before their expiry date. If you have an event that you want widely publicised, please send me the details a couple of months beforehand so I can plan its entry into subsequent Bulletins. Posters are possible but I need them, preferably, in PDF or Word format.

For script items, please use Arial font, in 9 point and please, please do not use bullet formatting which cannot be copy/pasted into Publisher, consequently, I end up re-typing the whole script. **Thank You**

**Requests for warm winter clothing to meet the need's of the Winter Shelter Residents & the men at Napier Barracks**

Woolly Hats, Warm scarves, Gloves (large), Warm socks Hoodies, Ladies leggings, Warm sweaters/layers (any size) Warm, waterproof trousers and jackets are always in demand through the cold, winter months. Items do not need to be brand-new, just clean and in good condition.

As the men at Napier Barracks move on every few months, these is an on-going need for suitcases