

Welcome to the Catholic Parish of Christ the King, Bedford
Easter Week, 2026

We are familiar with the accounts of the Resurrection and it is difficult for us to capture the sense of total astonishment of the first witnesses. But this week, we are invited to receive the Kingdom of God like little children, or we will never enter it. Or, as St John Henry Newman said, to bend our stiff necks and realise that our minds are not the measure of all things in heaven and on earth.

The Feast of Easter Sunday lasts not one but eight days, because Christ Jesus is risen not just on one day, but forever!

In the parish of Christ the King, we know that we are surrounded by a very great cloud of witnesses who lead us to lay aside every weight, every sin, and instead, to look to Him who is risen in glory. We have all week to immerse ourselves in this Mystery and to speak out those extraordinary words, Yes, He is truly Risen!

We look forward to the celebration of First Communion on Sunday
19th April and we keep the children and their families in prayer.

For those seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation we invite you to a meeting this Easter time:

For parents of young people between 13 and 17 years, we are hosting a meeting for you on Wednesday 22nd April at 7pm in the portacabin. For those who are 18+, we are hosting a meeting for you on Thursday 23rd April at 7pm in the portacabin.

Let us continue to appeal to God for peace in the world and the prosperity of all the nations.

And let us remember in our prayers all the sick of the parish.

The Psalm Responsory for Easter Sunday:

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.

Hymns for Easter Sunday:

322 Jesus Christ is risen today

513 Now the green blade

58 At the Lamb's high feast

32 Alleluia, give thanks

The schedule for the week beginning Easter Sunday, 5th April 2026

Saturday 4th April

7.30pm The Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday, 5th April

8.30am Holy Mass (Latin), the faithful of the parish

10.30am Holy Mass, Izau Isaac, RIP

3pm Holy Mass in Lithuanian

5pm Syro-Malabar Mass

Easter Tuesday, 7th April

6.30pm Holy Mass, the intentions of Bishop Bill Byrne

7pm-7.30pm Eucharistic Adoration

Easter Wednesday, 8th April

10am Holy Mass, Thanksgiving

Easter Thursday, 9th April

6.30pm Holy Mass, Protection for the vulnerable

Easter Friday, 10th April

12 noon Holy Mass, Peace in the world

Easter Saturday, 11th April

6pm Holy Mass

Thanks to the Vintage Tea Team, whose recent tea raised £304.50 for the parish.

Last week's Offertory Collection:

Collection £583.75 Standing Orders £162 Total £745.75 Thank you.

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