

Welcome to Christ the King parish,
the Catholic Church in south Bedford.

17th Sunday of the Year 2026

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The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood. This veneration began in apostolic times, when the Blood of Christ was recognised as the source of salvation: the Church and the sacraments were born from the pierced side of the Lord. The precious blood shows us the greatness of Christ's love - just how far He would go to win us salvation, and it shows us the gravity of sin - just how much sin offends God - and the call to ongoing conversion. The veneration of the Precious Blood leads us to embrace the grace of conversion, rather than the contemporary idea of 'cheap grace'. This month we have offered several Votive Masses of the Precious Blood, seeking to renounce whatever may stand in the way of our conversion.

A message to parents of under 18s who are seeking the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for them. Please contact Fr Richard as we will be starting the preparation soon.

The Catenian Association was formed in 1908 at a time when Catholics were emerging from isolation and discrimination, its purpose to provide a network for Catholic men and their families to share their faith in an atmosphere of peace and friendship. The Bedford Circle is part of a worldwide network and has been in existence for 75 years with a current membership of 33. We have a fairly formal structure with prayer at the centre of our meetings and get together each month for a meal and fellowship. We do not have a specific charitable purpose but exist in order to encourage comradeship between our members and their participation in parish, school and a wide range of Christian activities. If you would like to find out more, please contact bedford177@btinternet.com

Schedule for the Week beginning Sunday 26th July 2026

Saturday 25th July

6pm Vigil Mass, Private Intention

Sunday 26th July

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

10.30am Holy Mass, Thanksgiving

Tuesday 28th July

6.30pm Holy Mass, Peter Johnson RIP

7pm - 9pm Extended Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday 29th July

10am Holy Mass,

5pm Parish office hour

Thursday 30th July

8.30am Holy Mass, vocations to the priesthood

Friday 31st July

11am - 11.45am Eucharistic Adoration with Confession available

12 noon Holy Mass

Saturday 1st August First Saturday

9.30am - 9.55am Confession available

10am Holy Mass

6pm Vigil Mass

Last Sunday's Offertory. Collection: £362.29 Standing Orders: £133.50
Total: £495.79

Thanks to all who donate to the parish by Standing Order. If you would like to donate in this way, please use these details:

Name: Christ the King Parish. Sort: 600611 Account: 46714332

Offertory Envelopes. There are some spare boxes of envelopes left from March this year at the back of church. If you would like to start using the envelopes, please take a box, but write down your name and the box number on a piece of paper and give that paper to Fr Richard.

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