

November 25, 2023 5PM Saturday

#### To Love and Be Loved

An Inclusive Catholic Community, welcoming each and all as the beloved of God. We are ecumenical; we celebrate the rich heritage of Catholic spirituality while honoring all spiritual traditions. We Move for justice and peace and respond to the call of discipleship by loving deeply and rooting our lives in prayer and service.

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Church of the Beloved

#### **Our Leadership:**

Parish Council: Tammy Gabel, Greg Goerke, Susan Reese, Maryann Klasinski Parish Council meetings vary Synod Delegates: Amy Frisbee, Alice Bradley, Bishop Kae Madden. Susan Gray, Bishop Paul Burson Rocky Mountain Regional Council Representatives: Alice Bradley and Dennis Giblin.

# Church of Beloved Ecumenical Catholic Community

33<sup>d</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 34:11-12, Ps 23; ! Corinthians 15:20-26, 28; Matthew 25:31-46



"What I eat is a material question," says David Beckmann. "What my neighbor eats is a spiritual question. Our spiritual survival depends on responding to the least among us."

How are we caring for those in our midst? Jesus lays out the challenge: Our spiritual well-being is directly tied to our neighbor.

(Beckmann is a Lutheran minister but has no congregation. He is an economist but no longer works for the World Bank. Instead as president

of Bread for the World, Beckmann lobbies members of the, U.S. Congress to pass legislation to feed people who are hungry both at home and around the globe.)

#### **ECC 101**

Have you ever wondered about the ECC history or what being an Ecumenical Catholic is about? Join us on Wednesday, November 29th, at 6:30pm on Zoom for a presentation about our identity and calling as the Ecumenical Catholic Communion, hosted by the Rocky Mountain Regional Council. The subject matter is designed for those new-er to the Communion, those wanting to have some background to share the "good news," and for those interested in participating at the national Synod in 2024 to be held in Estes Park. (By the way, what exactly is a synod? Come and find out: ) All are welcome. The Zoom link for this one meeting:



Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83033138207?pwd=WGFCNkdIbFgyTWxxSkp OU0FtYzdvdz09

Meeting ID: 830 3313 8207

Meetings are held the 1st Thursday

**Ministry Teams** 

**Social Justice** –chair – rotating by project

We come together monthly in prayer and discussion to discern how to distribute our community's generous tithe and offer projects for our church members to serve those in need.

We meet once a month and day and time are flexible.

# Marketing/Communication

Chair -Ken B

Our goal is to be seen and heard by – and then inspire – potential members of COB.

Ongoing Spiritual Formation of Kids and Adults Ministry: To form our lives on the pattern of Jesus, growing disciples of all ages Chair – vacancy

**Membership and Hospitality:** To build relationships among members and welcome all as God's Beloved

Liturgy and Music – To gather as the Body of Christ to give thanks, be enlivened by the Word and song, be nourished and transformed, be strengthened by community, and to be sent out to a networking waiting world. Bishop Kae and Greg Madden, Marilyn Davey

**Lector Coordinator** Linda Pavlak and Tammy

**Greeter Coordinator:**Gail

**Eucharistic Minister Coordinator-**

#### Ministries of Care -

Grief and Loss - A ministry that offers support for individuals and families facing a life changing journey...Chair – Ken Crosby

Passcode: 123456

Or to join by phone only dial: 1 719 359 4580 US with the above ID and passcode



'Tis the Season...... Let's be wise and care for each other with frequent hand washing and/or using hand sanitizer, consider wearing a mask, utilize the red, yellow, green bracelets when entering church to indicate your personal comfort level with close person contact, and, of course, if feeling unwell, participate from home on Zoom. Thanks for taking care of each other.

# On Call for Pastoral Emergencies Schedule.

Mother Alice is on call Nov. 19 – 25<sup>th</sup>. 719.573.4904 Deacon Buddy is on call Nov 26 – Dec 2: 720.556.6470

On call" means available-by phone 24 hours a day for urgent concern and emergencies. If you have an urgent need in the middle of the night, please CALL, as we may not hear a text.

Both Kae and Alice usually take Sunday and Monday off.

#### **VERY FEW WORDS FROM DEACON BUDDY**



When Pope Pius XI instituted a special feast honoring Christ "the King" in 1925, he grieved for a world that had been ravaged by the First World War and which had begun to bow down before the "lords" of exploitative consumerism, nationalism, secularism, and new forms of injustice. The old power structures in Europe and the Middle East were fading into memory. A new and uncertain world was rising in their place. Pope Pius recognized that, for the Christian, those passing empires did not define who or whose they were. Instead, he reflected that the kingdom to which Christians belong is "spiritual and concerned with spiritual things...it demands of its subjects a spirit of detachment from earthly

things, and a spirit of gentleness. They must hunger and thirst after justice, and more than this, they must deny themselves and carry the cross" (from the Encyclical Quas Primas). The pope envisioned "a dominion by a King of Peace who came to reconcile all things, who came not to be served but to serve." This is certainly a timely reminder as we confront violence, uncertainty, and questions about what we owe to those who are the victims of terror and oppression. The celebration of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe reminds us that the Kingdom of Christ isn't some far-off reality. We are living in that Kingdom now. After all, Jesus tells the dying thief "TODAY you will be with me in Paradise" (Luke 23:43). This feast also reminds us that while we should honor Jesus as our "Sovereign King," we must also emulate his total gift of himself, perfectly embodied in his sacrifice on the Cross. It is only by imitating our thorn-crowned King that we can help bring relief to those who suffer, and God's healing mercy to those who long for forgiveness, helping to proclaim the Good News of the Reign of Christ in the world today. ALETEIA WEBSITE



ADVENT IS COMING:) Our materials will be available next Saturday, on the feast of Christ the King. We look forward seeing your faces:)

Power of Prayer – Praying the Rosary



## Prayer Shawl Ministry -

A healing ministry of prayer and caring by knitting, crocheting, or sewing prayer shawls/blankets. - Linda Pavlak

#### **Anawim Ministry-**

LGBTQ+ (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer/Questioning+) support ministry for COB members, families, and friends.

3rd Saturday monthly at the Fellowship hall at 2:30PM

## **Finance Ministry**

Wise stewardship of the financial resources of the community Chairperson: Greg Goerke

Administration and Building Maintenance Ministry: the nitty gritty support that keeps us rolling along

Pastoral Care members: Greg Madden, Deacon Buddy, Ken Crosby, Alice Bradley, Christy Chady, and Kae Madden

Home Visits/Communion- We have both clergy and lay members who are happy to come to your home if you are sick, discouraged, isolated, or in need of a friend. Visitors may also bring Eucharist. Please contact Mother Kae or Ken Crosby if you would like a visit and we will set it up. We do not forget you and we respect your privacy – so don't hesitate to request a visit. Visits are confidential.

## **Listening Team**

On rare occasions, when a conflict arises of a sensitive and/or ethical nature and the issue cannot be resolved by normal means, the Parish Council may engage our 3-person Listening Team, an unbiased, confidential, investigative team. At the Church

Mary, Jesus' Mother has asked we pray the rosary. We will be having a weekly Rosary on Thursdays at 7PM on zoom to be led by Deacon Buddy. Please join us.

Join Zoom Meeting

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26<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 12 noon – following the NUCC service – working on the liturgical environment for Advent.

Wednesday, Nov 29, Zoom, **ECC 101 presentation** at 6:30 p.m..Zoom link is above



#### **December**

 $2^{nd}$  – First Week of Advent, 5 p.m. Mass. We will vote on the 2024 parish budget.

3<sup>rd</sup> – Sunday centering prayer and labyrinth walk at 7 a.m.

6<sup>th</sup> - Our Advent Communal Reconciliation Service on Wednesday will begin at 2:45 p.m. with a labyrinth walk (weather permitting) and

then a prayer service at 3:15 p.m.

12<sup>th</sup> Parish Council meeting at 4 p.m.

13th Social Justice Team meeting at 4:30 p.m. on Zoom

16th: Anawim meeting at 2:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall

Mass for All Ages, Potluck party, and rehearsal for children and youth for Christmas Eve's liturgy.

23<sup>rd</sup>: Following our celebration of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent we will change our liturgical environment to "white" for Christmas. Many hands will make light work as we transition the seasons.

24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Mass will be at 3:30 p.m. in person and on zoom. 30<sup>th</sup> Feast of the Holy Family.



# The food bank is Growing Home.

Donate via <a href="https://growinghome.org/donate/">https://growinghome.org/donate/</a> or checks may be mailed to:3489 W 72nd Ave #112, Westminster, CO 80030 As always you can bring items to the church and place them in the Church of the Beloved bin in the back of the church. We will get these items to Growing Home. Thank you for your generosity. Sincerely, Social Justice Committee.

"HOLY MOMENTS": The books are available for pick up during Mass or out by the mail slot. Please join in reading this inspiring book as a community.



#### Mid week Mass:

Remember that we are celebrating Mass together via zoom on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.

Reminder: Audio recordings of the gospel proclamation and the homily are available on our website— to listen again or tune in if you missed it.



of the Beloved, we want you to know your voice will be heard.

#### **Quick Links**



ECC link: http://www.rmrc-ecc.com

Facebook: www.Facebook.com/ChurchOfTh eBelovedECC

Instagram: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/churc">https://www.instagram.com/churc</a> hofthebelovedecc/nstragram

USER NAME: churchofthebelovedecc

Bishop Kae is available by appointment Tuesday through Saturday and on call 24/7 unless notified otherwise.

Bishop Kae's email is: pastor@churchofthebeloved-ecc. org maddengk@msn.com

Pat: Church Key: 303-452-1553 Announcements in the bulletin must be in by Wednesday before distribution on Friday. Pat's email: rpt1553@aol.com What do you want to post on a bulletin board at the church?: education, opportunities, thank you notes, etc. And if you want to post something, send it to Pat



# **Centering Prayer/Meditation And Labyrinth**

Sunday Dec.3rd at 7:00 AM. We'll meet in the sanctuary and dress for walking the labyrinth . All are welcome. Contact Mother Alice for more info.

#### PREPARATION FOR LITURGY:

In person: We are grateful to be together and enjoying gathering in person. As you know, masks are optional. We have colored bracelets that can indicate your comfort level with hugs – green, yellow, and red.

Zoom-ers: There is a worship aid attached so that you may participate fully. If you are unable to join us in person, as you prepare your sacred space at home, you may want to "set your table" with a beautiful green cloth, bring a cross, a candle, bread and wine/juice.

For those who are so moved, we invite you to pray the prayer of Spiritual Communion:

Oh my Jesus, I turn toward the holy tabernacle in my heart where You live and love me. I love you. Come and visit me with Your grace. Spiritually come more fully into my heart. Purify me. Sanctify me. Make me more like You. May I receive You in your fullness and reflect You in the world. Amen

You are welcome to email the link below to friends and family, and please refrain from posting it on social media for security. It remains the same for every liturgy.

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God – we all have so much for which we need to be thankful. We need to count our blessings not only on Thanksgiving Day but all through the year. Amen

When someone says, "Stop me if you've heard this one", it's a temptation to ask how.

